



## 2025 – 2026 MONTICELLO ACADEMY BAND

### Description:

The Band program offers instruction on woodwind, brass, and percussion instruments, and will develop the skills necessary for long-term student success in middle and high school band programs. Band A is for the absolute beginner. **NO EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED.** Band A students may choose from the following instruments: flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, trumpet, or percussion.

All students will need to purchase or rent their own instrument and equipment once enrollment and instrument selection are confirmed.

### Fee:

- **\$450 one-time fee**
- AFTER instrument selection has been completed and confirmed by Ms. Natalie (week of 9/1/25), we will bill your account.

**Contact:** Band Director “[Ms. Natalie](#)” [Natalie Haworth-Liu](#)

### Band A – Beginner: 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

An interview is required after Pre-Enrollment. Official Enrollment is provisional. Ms. Natalie will help students and parents pick which instrument to purchase or rent.

#### Enrollment process

1. **8/22/25:** Deadline to complete provisional registration (link below)
2. **Week of 8/25/25:** Ms. Natalie will consult with students/parents
3. **8/29/25:** Receive confirmation of instrument assignment
4. **Week of 9/1/25:** Purchase selected instrument - Ms. Natalie will advise

#### Initial Schedule per instrument (subject to change):

**Week 1: Flutes only 9/8 and 9/10**

**Week 2: Flutes and Trumpets only 9/15 and 9/17**

**Week 3: Flutes, Clarinets, Saxophones, Trumpets, & Percussion 9/22 and 9/25**

Class Dates	9/8/25 – 5/14/25
Time:	Monday & Wednesday * 3:20 PM – 4:20 PM
Mandatory Performance:	Winter & Spring Concerts (see school calendar)

### Band B

This Band will continue developing the fundamentals started in Band A.

**Requirement:** Completed Band A or one year of private lessons (requires an audition with Ms. Natalie after enrollment to confirm)

#### Enrollment process

1. **8/15/2025:** Deadline to complete the registration (link below).
2. Fill out the follow-up form sent by Ms. Natalie
3. **8/19/2025:** Receive confirmation of enrollment
4. **8/26/2025:** Rehearsals begin

#### Schedule (subject to change):

Date	8/26/25 – 5/14/25
Time:	Tuesday & Thursday 3:20 PM – 4:20 PM
Mandatory Performance:	Winter & Spring Concerts & commencement ceremonies (see school calendar)

### Attendance:

- Students are expected to have all necessary materials: their instrument, music, and a pencil.
- Regular attendance is required – **NO PARTIAL ENROLLMENT**, and students who miss will fall behind in class, impairing his/her ability to improve and feel confident.
- If your child is going to miss rehearsal, notify Ms. Natalie via email.
- If your child misses more than two rehearsals in a month and Ms. Natalie feels they are falling behind, then private coaching during lunch for a fee will be recommended.
- Habitual absences will result in a conference with parents and possible dismissal.
- Participation in the Winter Concert and Spring Concert is mandatory, and attendance at scheduled rehearsals is also required. We are a team and rely on everyone to be there.

### Home Practice:

- Practice is crucial to your child’s confidence and success in Band.
- If your child will not be able to commit to regular practice of 20 minutes a day, then **DO NOT** register for band.
- Subject to availability, additional coaching sessions with Ms. Natalie can be arranged for a fee
- All band books come with access to MP3 files, and all students will be expected to use them.

### Behavior:

- Students are expected to follow all Monticello Academy policies.
- Students are expected to be good representatives of Monticello Academy when working with guest instructors.
- If your child is disruptive in rehearsal, he/she will be asked to leave, and you will be notified via email or phone call.
- If a second incident occurs, then we will have a conference to discuss his/her future participation in the Band.
- Dismissal from Band is at the sole discretion of Ms. Natalie.

### Policy:

- Tuition will be billed to your monthly invoice.
- Tuition is **Non-Refundable, Non-Transferable, and Non-Prorated.**
- A **30-day notice** is required for any withdrawal or changes. All notices **must be emailed to** [ATTENDANCE](#) and [BAND DIRECTOR](#)
- The school **DOES NOT** accept any verbal notice.
- **NO-Make-up** Class unless the instructor reschedules the class.



**For Registration, please click [Band Registration](#)**