



2026 – 2027 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, we will bill your account.

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

Band A – Beginner: 4th through 8th 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. **Thursday, 8/28/26:** Deadline to complete provisional registration ([link below](#))
2. **Week of 8/31/26:** Ms. Natalie will consult with students/parents about instrument choice. Lunchtime meetings with registered students will happen during this week.
3. **By 9/4/26:** Receive confirmation of instrument assignment and purchase instrument and supplies
4. **Band A BEGINS on 9/14/26 and meets on Mondays and Wednesdays.** 3:20 pm to 4:20 pm (clean up)

Class Dates	9/14/26 – 5/13/27
Time:	Monday & Wednesday * 3:20 PM – 4:20 PM
Mandatory Performance:	Winter & Spring Concerts (see school calendar and registration form)

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. **8/21/2026:** Deadline to complete the registration ([link below](#)).
2. **8/26/2026:** Receive confirmation of enrollment
3. **9/1/2026:** Rehearsals begin

Schedule (subject to change):

Date	9/1/26 – 5/13/27
Time:	Tuesday & Thursday 3:20 PM – 4:20 PM
Mandatory Performance:	Winter & Spring Concerts (see school calendar and registration form)

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](#)