



# Welcome to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Block



We are thrilled that you have chosen to play an instrument this year! In order to make this year successful for all of us there are some simple guidelines that must be followed.

1. **LABEL ALL OF YOUR ITEMS**—Instrument, book and stand parts should all be labeled with your name and your classroom teacher's name.
2. **When arriving on campus with your instrument...**
  - a. Band instruments—stay with you outside. Upon entering when the second bell rings, you will store it neatly on top of the cabinets in center court. This area is used for P.E. activities and having your instrument off of the ground will help keep it better protected.
  - b. String instruments—violins and violas need to be brought in through D-wing upon arrival at the school. The wood on the instrument is very sensitive to weather changes. Violins and violas are stored neatly on the cabinet in center court. Cello and bass students may enter through the front of school to access the music room in the morning and students must exit through the cafeteria (please do not walk through the hallways as teachers are preparing for their day). Cellos and basses are always to be stored in the music room.
3. **Coming to 6<sup>th</sup> grade block...**all students will walk through the halls quietly as to not disrupt the learning going on in other classrooms.
4. **At the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade block time...**instruments will be re-stored in the appropriate place as noted above. Please make sure they are stored in an organized and neat fashion.
5. **At the end of the day on 6<sup>th</sup> grade block...**all instruments must be taken home at the end of the day for multiple reasons.
  - a. You need to be able to practice.
  - b. There are many people that come in and out of the school and your instrument will be kept safe if it is in your possession.
  - c. There will be intermittent checks to see if the instruments have been taken home. If they are left overnight, students will be required to submit an essay to \_\_\_\_\_ in order to get their instrument back from the music room. The essay will be a paragraph explaining why they must take their instrument home each night.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to read and understand this flyer. After signing, please keep the pink copy for your records and return the white to school. We look forward to a successful year of making music!