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ABOUT US

At Cedar Springs, we have an award-winning band program that offers a variety of instrumental music experiences for both middle and high school students. We take pride in our excellent band facilities.

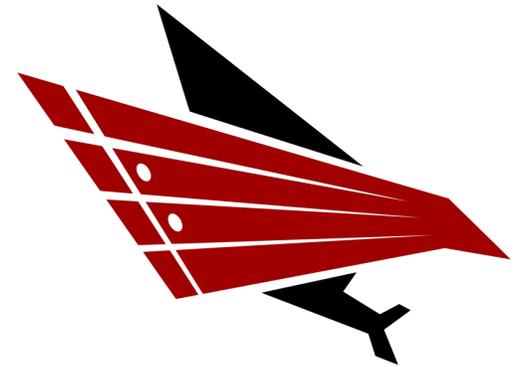
At the middle school level, we offer 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Bands. At the high school level, students can participate in Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, and Marching Band.

Through learning, rehearsing, and performing music, our goal is to help students in the instrumental music program develop into:

- **Creative Problem Solvers:** Students will think critically and make decisions through artistic means, especially in situations with no clear answers.
- **Culturally Aware Citizens:** Students will gain an appreciation for history and the fine arts through multicultural experiences.
- **Humanistic Thinkers:** Students will develop creativity, sensitivity, and emotional intelligence.
- **Collaborative Workers:** Students will build self-confidence, be receptive to others' ideas, and foster interpersonal relationships by working with peers.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS

The **6th Grade Band** is the beginning band for Cedar Springs. It is a full year class where students learn how to play and perform on a musical instrument.

The **7th Grade Band** is the intermediate curricular concert band, designed for students in their 2nd year of playing an instrument continuing to build our performing skills.

The **8th Grade Band** is the premiere curricular concert band at the middle school, designed for students in the 3rd year of playing an instrument. 8th Grade Band plays advanced music in a variety of styles.

HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

The **Symphonic Band** is the intermediate curricular concert band at the high school, designed for students in the 4th and 5th year of playing their instrument, and plays in a variety of musical styles.

The **Wind Ensemble** is the premiere curricular concert band of Cedar Springs and plays the most advanced wind band music of the Cedar Springs Band Program.

The **Marching Band** is a co-curricular ensemble and includes the Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble. This ensemble provides entertainment at home football games, and community events, and participates in the Michigan Competing Bands Association championship circuit. The Marching Red Hawks are consistent MCBA state finalists.

The **Jazz Band** is an advanced co-curricular ensemble that meets outside of school beginning in November. The ensemble plays in a variety of jazz styles.

The **Pit Orchestra** is an elite extra-curricular ensemble and performs in the theatre department's Spring Musical.



WHAT ELSE IS AVAILABLE?

- Starting in 7th Grade, band students have the opportunity to participate in student-run small ensemble ranging from 1-8 players.
- Starting in 8th Grade, students prepare for a football game with the marching band and will be able to sit in with the high school pep band during basketball games.
- Starting in 9th Grade, students can participate in jazz band, pep bands, and pit orchestra.
- In high school band, students have the opportunity to travel, including an annual Michigan's Adventure Trip and a large trip to Walt Disney World and Universal Orlando every four years.

HOW DOES BAND WORK IN MY SCHEDULE?

All Cedar Springs middle and high school students take four core classes and two choice electives. Your band class will be one of your electives for the entire year. You can take band all three years in middle school and all four years in high school and still take all required classes, honors, advanced placement, and college level classes. Taking three years of high school band meets several different graduation requirements.

Quick Facts

- Students can participate in band class and remain involved in extra-curricular activities and athletics.
- Students can participate in band class and be enrolled in honors classes, AP classes, KCTC, and Early Middle College.
- Middle School Band only performs 3-5 "outside-of-school" performances a year.
- The CSHS Band students have the opportunity to travel and perform out of state while in high school.
- Our Music Boosters organization raises funds for the students in band. These fundraisers help to support the students' overall music experience.
- Participating in band creates friendships that carry through middle and high school.
 - Starting in 6th Grade, band students remain in the same band going through 7th and 8th Grade and into high school.
 - Freshmen band students start high school knowing many upperclassmen and talk to older students about classes, schedules teachers, etc.
- Did you know that having band on your resume increases your chances of employment. Many employers know that band students have developed many important skills including time management, attention to detail, integrity, and a strong work ethic.