



## Join the Band at Cockrill Middle School

Future Cockrill Middle School Students and Parents,

Mr. Williams, Mr. Harp, and Mrs. Winter are extremely excited about next year's beginner band students at Cockrill Middle School! Band provides many experiences that help to instill self-discipline, cooperation, and teamwork for all the students involved. Participation in a performing art, such as band, has been recognized by the College Board as one of the key factors in promoting achievement geared toward college entrance.

### Here is how to become a part of the CMS Band Program:

1. Select **"Band"** as your first elective choice on your 2018-19 6th Grade Course Selection Sheet.
2. Visit our website [www.cockrillband.com/future-members.html](http://www.cockrillband.com/future-members.html) and make an appointment for an instrument screening through Sign-Up Genius.
3. Come to your instrument selection appointment at Cockrill Middle School.
4. The final thing you will need to do is attend the **Cockrill Beginner Band Parent Night Meeting** on **Wednesday, May 30th** at **6 pm**. We will have music stores, instruments, private teachers, and much more information to pass along that evening!

### Band Instrument Selection Nights for Cockrill Middle School Students

Who:	All future 6th grade band students at Cockrill Middle School
Where:	Cockrill Middle School Band Hall
When:	Saturday, April 7th (8:30am-3:00pm) Wednesday, April 11th (5:30-8:30 pm) Thursday, April 19th (5:30-8:00 pm) <b><i>You will only need to attend one of these days.</i></b>

### Interested in Saxophone or Percussion?

Due to the overwhelming interest in percussion and saxophone for 6th grade Band, any student interested in either of these two instruments must take the following steps:

1. Come to one of the instrument selection nights and decide on an instrument other than saxophone or percussion in case you are not placed in one of those classes. **Important note:** Due to the overwhelming popularity of saxophone and percussion, students may interview/test for only one of these instruments.
2. After all students have interviewed, Mr. Williams will contact all candidates and confirm what instrument each student will play.

We hope to see all of you in band next year!