

# **MUSIC ENSEMBLES**

## **Intermediate Schools**

At grades 4-6, music ensemble instruction will be offered before the start of the school day. Three music ensembles will be offered: chorus, band, and orchestra.

All students will be encouraged to participate in music ensembles. An early bus will be provided to make this possible. Student participation is not required.

Students may participate in chorus, one instrumental ensemble (band or orchestra), or chorus and one instrumental ensemble. Students will not be allowed to participate in two instrumental ensembles. Students must choose between band and orchestra because of the time required for lessons during the school day.

The schedule for music ensemble instruction will be as follows:

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>4</b>	Chorus*	Band	Orchestra
<b>5</b>	Band	Orchestra	Chorus*
<b>6</b>	Orchestra	Chorus*	Band

\*Chorus will be divided into two groups with one teacher assigned to each group.

Start Time: 8:10 a.m.

End Time: 9:10 a.m.

If music lessons or ensembles are missed because of a school holiday or snow day, this day of instruction may be made up at a different time, typically on a Friday. Parents will be notified of make-up days as far in advance as possible.

For fifth and sixth grade students, music ensembles begin the second week of school. For fourth grade students, music lessons begin the third week of school and ensembles begin the first week of October. Music lessons and ensembles end the first week of June.

If a student enrolls in the before-school care program at the school, parents will have the opportunity to modify their child care schedule at any time throughout the year. For example, if a parent signs up for child care in the morning for five days and discovers that due to their child's participation in music ensembles will only need three days a week, they will be allowed to modify their initial schedule.

Answers to questions about the school's before-school care program can be found on the district website at [www.rhnet.org](http://www.rhnet.org). Questions can also be directed to Nerlande Anselme, Assistant Superintendent for Student and Family Services, at [nanselme@rhnet.org](mailto:nanselme@rhnet.org).