

# CHINA SPRING INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BAND



Dear Parents/guardians,

Welcome back, students and parents! We are so excited to begin getting to know your students! Here is some important information that you will need for this year. If you have any questions about any of this please reach out to Mr. Silver at [ssilver@chinaspringisd.net](mailto:ssilver@chinaspringisd.net)

**Instrument:** Our students will need to have their instruments and supplies ready by August 29th. If you need the supply list for your student's instrument or information about local music stores it can be found at [cscougarband.com/6thgrade](http://cscougarband.com/6thgrade). If you have not already purchased an instrument we will be having a fall instrument drive on Wednesday, August 24th from 4:30-6:30 pm at the CSI Cafeteria. Tarpley music will be here to help with instrument renting/purchasing needs. If you have questions about specific instrument purchases please email the director who will teach that instrument (listed below).

**Band Fee and cost throughout the year:** We also have a \$20 band fee that will be due on September 16th. This band fee provides your student with our Cougar Intermediate Band T-shirt that they will need for the winter concert as well as our spring trip, and a binder with page protectors to put their music in. It also helps to stock the classrooms with extra instrument supplies to help keep all of the instruments up and running throughout the year. This payment can be made through myschoolbucks or with cash or check. If you write a check please make it payable to CSI Band!  
In February, there will also be a \$30 trip cost that will be due. This will allow your student to travel with us to the Pride of Texas Music Festival where they will be provided a buffet and games after the contest.

**Charms Information:** Please go to [cscougarband.com/6thgrade](http://cscougarband.com/6thgrade) and click on the 6th Grade Information Form 2022-2023 button and fill out the google form. This helps us to get important information into our charms system which helps with communication, tracking school instruments, and much more. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask! This needs to be done by September 9th.

**Dates to remember:** We have some fun events planned for your students this year and we wanted to give you a heads up on the dates so that you can put them in your calendar! Concerts are required to attend so please save these dates.

**August 24th:** Tarpley Instrument Drive 4:30-6:30pm CSI Cafeteria

**August 29th:** Instruments due in class

**September 16th:** Band fee due

**December 21st:** Winter Concert (During School hours Time TBA)

**April 21st:** Solo and Ensemble Contest (Times to be announced)

**May 2nd:** Spring Concert 7pm at CSMS PAC

**TBA:** Pride of Texas Music Festival (Times to be announced)

**Communication:** We have a couple of different methods of communication! Please sign up for our Remind by texting @csiband22 to 81010. We will send out all information for upcoming dates through this Remind! You can also sign up for our email list by going to [cscougarband.com/6thgrade](http://cscougarband.com/6thgrade) and signing up on our 6th-grade mailing list! Make sure you sign up for the 6th-grade list and not our high school list that is at the bottom of the page. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out!

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