

September 2020 Band Notice & Communication Plan

Welcome back!

I am so happy to be back making music at Hebbville Academy and would like to thank parents, guardians, families and students for their continual support. Band may look different this year, but I'm excited to welcome great numbers of students back into the program.

Evaluation and assessment of the curriculum outcomes may include, but is not limited to: performance assessments, in-class assignments/projects, observations, rubrics, journals, listening responses, and peer/self assessment. Numerical grades with accompanying comments will be provided on report cards.

Assessments will be posted to PowerSchool on a regular basis. If you would like to discuss anything that is posted to PowerSchool, please feel free to contact me at any time.

As Band has changed significantly with the safety restrictions in place, fees will be less - \$10 per year for those students who rent instruments through Hebbville Academy (this fee covers instrument rental, repairs and materials) and free for those students who rent from a music store or already own their instrument. All fees are due by the end of September. Cheques can be made payable to Hebbville Academy.

Sectional classes during the school day will begin on Monday, September 21st. Before-school Band rehearsals are on hold for now as we will not be mixing students from different homerooms until some of the mandated safety protocols are changed. Safety procedures in the Band room include: increased space between musicians, only one homeroom being taught at a time, absorbent pads on the floor to catch any condensation from instruments, and shorter 30-minute classes. Live performances are also not recommended until distancing restrictions are lifted, but I plan to record and create some virtual concerts so you can see and hear what students are working on throughout the year.

I am so excited to make more music with the students at Hebbville. If you would like to receive Band updates electronically, there is an option to do so at the bottom of the next page.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Emily Strong
Telephone: 541-8295
Email: estrong@gnspe.ca

Please return the next page to Mrs. Strong by Friday, September 18th.

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Student Name _____

I _____ have received the September Band Notice.
(parent or guardian)

We have decided to...

_____ rent an instrument from the school (Band fee is \$10 for the 2020-21 school year)

_____ rent or lease an instrument from a music store (Band fee is \$0 for the 2020-21 school year)

_____ use an instrument that is owned by family or friends (Band fee is \$0 for the 2020-21 school year)

Reminder: All Band fees are due by October 1st, 2020. Cheques can be made payable to Hebbville Academy.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Communication is an integral part of the Hebbville band program. The band e-mail list allows you to receive all band notices directly. This is especially important when we encounter inclement weather and as performance dates approach.

If you would like to be added to the Band e-mail list, please write your e-mail address below. Your e-mail address cannot be seen by other recipients on the list and will be kept confidential.

My e-mail address is: _____