

## WALTHER GRADE SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET: 2010-2011

- WHAT:** Small group instrumental lessons. (25-35 minutes)  
Private lessons in some cases. (15 minutes)
- WHEN:** During the school day at your child's school.
- WHO:** Students in Grades 4-8.
- COST:** Your child's grade school bills each student \$290.00 per semester. There are two semesters per school year and 14 lessons per semester. There is an additional fee for the rental or purchase of an instrument. Rental/purchase opportunities are available through area music stores.
- BEGINNERS:** New students receive a four week music education class before they choose an instrument. The class consists of testing on available instruments and then instruction in the basics of note reading. (This first semester fee is split -- \$97.00 for the beginner class and then \$193.00 for the remainder of the semester.) **STUDENTS WHO TAKE THE BEGINNER CLASS ARE NOT OBLIGATED IN ANY WAY TO CONTINUE WITH INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS. Note: If your child is a returning student considering another instrument, he/she may take the beginner class under the same conditions and fee structure. You will be billed by your grade school; please do not write any checks directly to Walther Lutheran High School.**
- INSTRUMENTS TAUGHT:** Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Saxophone, Bassoon  
Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Baritone, Tuba  
Percussion (snare drum, bass drum, bells, etc.)
- RELATED ACTIVITIES:** Small ensemble rehearsals  
Concert Band at your school  
Walther Grade School Monday Night Bands for intermediate and advanced students
- ATTENDANCE POLICY:** Students are required to attend all scheduled performances and rehearsals. Planned absences must be notified in writing no later than one month in advance of performances and 24 hours in advance of rehearsals. On the second unexcused absence the student will not be allowed to participate in the concert for that semester. An unexcused absence from a performance will result in ineligibility to participate in rehearsals or performances for that group the following semester.
- EXITING THE PROGRAM:** Students may discontinue lessons at the conclusion of each semester. To exit the program request an EXIT FORM from your instructor. Clearly state all reasons for discontinuing lessons and return it to your school. If you decide to leave midterm, you will still be billed the entire fee for that semester (you may be required to continue monthly installment payments at your school until the fee is paid in full).
- ENROLLMENT:** To enroll your child in lessons, just fill out the attached sheet (read it carefully) and return it to your school office.

