

10 Helpful Tips for Band Parents

1. Ask your child what he/she did in band today.
2. Provide a place in your home and set a time to practice each day.
Completed lesson logs signed by a parent, need to be turned in weekly.
3. Check your band student's homework assignments:
 - a) Ask them to name the notes.
 - b) Ask them to show you the fingerings
 - c) Ask them to count or clap the rhythms.
4. Encourage your child to play their instrument for you and family members. Let them know how proud you are of their work. Applause is always appreciated!
5. Make sure your child has all the necessary supplies: reeds, valve or slide oil, mallets/drumsticks, **MUSIC BOOK**, and a pencil.
6. Make sure your child's instrument is in good working condition. If you are unsure, ask your child's band teacher to check it.
7. Look into the possibility of your band student taking private lessons on their instrument.
8. Attend all school band events, get involved with Music Parents our Fine Arts Boosters organization.
9. Take your child to band concerts at the middle and senior high schools, in the community, and professional groups such as the symphony.
10. Listen to music at home.