

## 2021 East Quogue Band Program

2/07/21

Dear EQ Band families,

We are so proud of our current instrumental Band Students for their incredible personal strength and desire to participate in our band program throughout this past year during this time of COVID-19.

I have seen and heard so many heartwarming stories from parents and students who have shared with me, just how much our Instrumental Music Program has benefited our students and provided them with much needed emotional support, optimism, and promise at a time when they needed to feel familiar and secure in normalcy.

That is why I am reaching out to you- our FUTURE band families- in an effort to provide that same connection and support to our 4th Grade band families as we try to transition back into "Beginning Band".

I am asking ALL of our 4th Grade families to complete and return this "Interest Inventory" to better address the starting of our Beginning Band Program.

Please keep in mind that the details surrounding "how" we restart this program for the remainder of our current school year, are still developing and will likely be determined based upon the feedback resulting from this survey.

Remember that East Quogue does not supply students with any instruments, individual instrumental supplies (ie:, reeds, drum sticks, valve oil, etc) or lesson books. These materials are to be obtained from local music stores and are strictly the parent's/guardian's responsibility.

Please take a moment to complete this survey/interest inventory on Page 2, and then **return it to Ms. Russo**, with your child as soon as possible- but **NO LATER THAN February 12, 2021**

Please answer the questions on Page 2, to the best of your ability, and feel free to contact Ms. Russo with any questions/concerns you may have, via email at: (Penni Russo):

[prusso@eastquogue.k12.ny.us](mailto:prusso@eastquogue.k12.ny.us)

Thank you, in advance, for taking the time to participate and complete this interest survey. I look forward to working with you and providing your child with the best musical opportunity for their personal, social, and emotional growth and development.

Yours in Music and Education,



Penni A. Russo,  
Instrumental Music/Band Director/Drama Club Teacher

# Beginning Band Interest Inventory-2021

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Contact Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Check ALL that apply:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. My child **IS INTERESTED** in learning to play a musical instrument in EQ School during the remainder of this school year.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. My child **IS INTERESTED** in learning how to play: (circle only one instrument)

Trumpet      Trombone      Clarinet      Saxophone      Flute

Percussion (Drums)

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. **I HAVE A RECORDER** and would like my child to learn how to play the recorder for the remainder of the school year, and wait until September 2021 to learn a band instrument.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. **I DO NOT HAVE A RECORDER** for my child to learn to play, but I would like to purchase one, and have my child learn how to play the recorder for the remainder of the school year, and wait until September 2021 to learn a band instrument.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. I would like my child to learn how to read musical notes, pitches, and rhythms without having to learn how to play the recorder or any band instrument at this time.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. My child is **NOT INTERESTED** in enrolling in the Instrumental Music Program and Band, at this time.