

# JOIN THE BAND

How many times have you heard a really talented musician and thought:

## “How do I get to be that good?”

**You’ve already taken the biggest and most important step: starting early.**

You have the time to learn and practice, and be the best you can be. You have the opportunity to learn the proper techniques for playing music, and then branch out to play any style of music you want. Along the way, you’ll meet friends and become part of a group that will perform to standing ovations in your school and community.



### DID YOU KNOW?

Participation in music has been linked to better performance in academics. A little bonus that maybe you didn’t think about! No matter where your life takes you, music will always be a part of it.

### What’s So Grand About Playing in the Band?

- The sense of achievement from learning to play familiar & new music is priceless.
- Playing in the band is a great way to make friends.
- You get to go on cool trips. Bands take part in competitions that can be several days long!
- You can perform across every genre: pop, country, rock, jazz, bluegrass, classical, and more!

### Why rent from Music & Arts?

More Options. More Instruments. More Support.

Choosing an instrument is not easy, especially for beginners. That’s why it makes sense to rent from a company who knows what schools and educators expect, and provides more instruments, more options, and more total support.

### Here are some noteworthy points to remember:

- Music & Arts offers an extensive inventory of instruments and accessories.
- All of our instruments are educator approved, so you don’t have to worry whether it’s “the right one.”
- Upgrade options are available with our rental credit program.
- Our Liability Damage Waiver (LDW) provides low-cost peace of mind in case of accidents and mishaps.
- If you want to buy an instrument, Music & Arts has purchase options which will save you money.

### Your questions: They’re like music to our ears.

At Music & Arts our mission is to ensure you have an instrument that makes you excited about learning and playing. Whether you’re just starting to consider an instrument or need some assistance, we are here to help. Call or visit your neighborhood location and we’ll be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Rent online 24/7 or visit [MusicArts.com](https://www.MusicArts.com) to find your neighborhood store!

## WHICH INSTRUMENT IS THE PERFECT FIT FOR YOU?



A great first step is to talk about music as a family and then listen to different instruments. If you live near a Music & Arts store, come in and try any of our instruments, ask lots of questions and basically have fun finding out which instrument is right for you. Music & Arts is the nation's largest lesson provider; a visit to one of our stores would be a great opportunity to meet our professional lesson instructors.

### 1. FLUTE

The flute is a woodwind instrument, but doesn't have a reed. You blow across the small hole called the embouchure hole, in the headjoint. It uses the same principle as a whistle or blowing across a soda bottle. The flute is used in many different musical genres, including bands, symphony orchestras, some jazz groups and small instrumental groups.

### 3. SAXOPHONE

Even though the saxophone is made of brass, it is considered a woodwind because you use a reed in the mouthpiece. It provides a very powerful sound that is commonly used in jazz, big band, and military music.

### 5. TROMBONE

The trombone is in the brass family. It produces a unique sound by the player buzzing their lips while blowing air through a cup-shaped mouthpiece. Extending or retracting the slide on the trombone helps in producing higher or lower pitches. Students who play the trombone should have a good ear and be able to sing in tune.

### 2. CLARINET

The clarinet has the widest pitch range of any woodwind instrument. It plays the lowest and highest notes. A clarinet separates into five pieces: mouthpiece, barrel, two middle pieces, and the bell.

### 4. TRUMPET

The trumpet is played by blowing through closed lips, which creates a buzzing sound. The trumpet is one of the most popular instruments for young musicians.

### 6. PERCUSSION

Percussion instruments are a family of instruments including the snare drum, bass drum, bells, triangles, and cymbals. Depending on your school, you may start with bells, the snare drum or both. A practice pad gives you the same feel and bounce as a snare drum without the noise!

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