RMB FAQ:

Who Are We?

We are the Rancho Maze Band, an instrumental music program consisting of a Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Concert Band, Colorguard, Jazz Band, Percussion Ensemble and Marching Band.

What Do We Do?

Our ensemble performs at a variety of concerts, parades, and football games, as well as a myriad of community and non-profit events. Our organization encompasses an array of middle school aged students, who work tirelessly in an effort to evolve through music. In the process, these children develop invaluable life skills, such as self-discipline, confidence, commitment, responsibility, and personal pride, all while exposing the world to some beautiful art and music.

When Do We Meet?

Intermediate, Advanced, and By Invitation Band Members

Band students will have Intermediate Band or Advanced Band in their daily school schedule.

Outside of the regular school day, the <u>Band will meet Saturdays for Marching Practice at Rancho San</u> <u>Justo Middle School from 9:00am-12:00pm beginning in September</u>. Additional rehearsals may be scheduled as needed.

Beginning Band Members

Band students will have Beginning Band in their daily school schedule. Additional rehearsals may be scheduled as needed.

Colorguard Members

Colorguard will meet <u>Saturdays for Marching Practice at Rancho San Justo Middle School beginning in</u> <u>September.</u> In addition. Colorguard meets Thursday afternoons at Rancho from 2:00pm-3:30pm <u>beginning 09/07</u>. Additional rehearsals may be scheduled as needed.

What if I've NEVER Played? What if I'm Not Good Enough?

If you've forgotten everything or have no experience whatsoever in music - we will train you, that's what we are all here for. If you think you can't do this, challenge us and yourself! It's our job to help you learn everything you need and explore which instrument will work best for you.

...But I do not Own an Instrument!

Not a problem! The Rancho Maze Band is able to lend large instruments, percussion equipment, and smaller instruments on a limited basis absolutely free of charge. If you are in need of an instrument, we'll find you one!

I can't take band, I need to take other electives!

Band is not just for music, folks! This process teaches our students to understand the value of dedication, effort, and teamwork, and provides students with the community and skills necessary to enhance their overall learning experience. Ask ANY admissions officer to a major college or university, or visit <u>BPOTM</u> <u>Parent Flyer.pdf (bepartofthemusic.org)</u>. Twenty years from now, I GUARANTEE your child will not remember the lessons learned in every single elective course, but they WILL remember the time they've spent in band.