

WELCOME TO BAND!

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SCAN THE CODE TO PAY YOUR BAND FEE

All band students are asked to pay the fee which covers the uniform shirts, books, music, rewards and incentives, guest instructors, professional fees, celebrations, and small items needed throughout the school year. This fee covers items not covered by the school district.

Our band fee is \$150/year per student

We have a dedicated Band Booster Organization to support our program financially. This group of parent volunteers works with Mrs. Zentz to set the calendar, create the budget, organize fundraisers, assist in the classroom, chaperone field trips, and manage the concerts. All FCA band parents are members of this 501(c)3 organization. There will be multiple ways for you to get involved if you desire. Just let us know!

fcabandboosters@gmail.com

Jan Michelsen, President

ABOUT THE BAND:

The FCA Band started in 2018 with 26 students and has grown to consistently serve almost 200 students each year. Our four bands perform at least three times a year on and off campus. The FCA Bands have earned superior ratings at all adjudication events, taken top honors at several jazz festivals, and had student representation in the Florida All State Bands.

Band is an academic subject and is graded accordingly. A course syllabus can be found on the band website, along with much more information about our wonderful program.

Mrs. Zentz is an award-winning teacher who strives to give all her students a fabulous musical experience! Thank you for supporting your child's music education!

A NOTE ABOUT PRACTICING & BAND HOMEWORK

Because we have so many students who are bikers/walkers and bus riders, I realize it can be difficult to get the instrument home on a regular basis for practice. I have adopted the practice of the "Flipped Classroom". This teaching style moves practicing, traditionally considered as homework, into the daily classroom. With a flipped classroom, students watch videos, listen to their band music online, or do written assignments at home, and do most of their playing in the classroom under my guidance. At home practice is encouraged for those who can!