



ALEXANDER GRAHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL Percussion Application

Thank you for your interest in the position of Percussionist. Below are the job requirements and application. **Be sure to follow the directions exactly and good luck to you.**

Job Description:

The percussionist in the AGMS band has more responsibility than any other band participant. A percussionist in the band must learn how *to care for and play* the xylophone, bells, snare drum, bass drum, crash cymbals, suspended cymbal, woodblock, triangle, guiro, timpani, cowbell, chimes, and bongos all in the first year. A percussionist **must** be able to purchase a bell kit with snare drum (I recommend The Yamaha or Ludwig Percussion Learning Center Combo Kit which can cost up to \$400 to purchase) **and** a stick bag with the following items in it (pre-packaged bags will cost ~\$70):

- o Snare drum sticks, Vic Firth SD1 (comes with snare/bell kits)
- o General timpani mallets (purchased separate)
- o Plastic bell mallets (comes with snare/bell kits)
- o Yarn mallets, Medium (purchased separate)
- o Medium hard rubber mallets (purchased separate)

A percussionist must possess a **natural ability to maintain time**, *move arms and legs with coordination*, be able to think on their feet and improvise when necessary, and have a self-starting personality.

Application process:

1. Fill out parental permission below and return to Mrs. Fullagar.
2. Complete Application (attached) and return to Mrs. Fullagar by **November 1st!**
Late applications will not be accepted.
3. Sign up for an audition time, after school November 2nd & 3rd, in the Band room
4. Applicants will be notified if they are selected by November 4th.
 - a. Students selected will have to have new instrument by Nov 15th.

I understand the above application process and agree to all the necessary requirements:

Student Printed Full Name: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____

I understand my child's desire to apply for percussion and will be able to acquire the necessary materials if selected:

Parent Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Contact Number: _____

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*After completing the student info section, please give this to a teacher of your choice. Ask them to complete and place in my box (FULLAGAR). It will be a confidential reference meaning you, the student; will not be allowed to see it. Non-confidential references will not be accepted. **I need these by Nov 1st***

For the student to complete:

Name: _____ Homeroom teacher: _____

Current Instrument: _____

For the teacher to complete:

Has the above student demonstrated himself/ herself to be a responsible member of the classroom environment?

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Comments:

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