STRIKE UP THE BANDS!
St. Francis Xavier Instrumental Music Overview
2019-2020

CONCERT BAND
Students with at least one year of instrumental experience are eligible to participate in the Concert Band. Concert Band meets on Wednesday mornings at 7:30am. The group lessons schedule will be determined once registration is complete. String players (Violin, Viola, Cello and Bass) are welcome to sign up for Band (Lets make it an orchestral!). Please note our first rehearsal takes place Wednesday, September 4th at 7:30am.

The Concert Band will schedule performances on the following dates: Fall Band Concert – November 20\textsuperscript{th}, Christmas Concert – December 17\textsuperscript{th} and Spring Concert – TBD.

BEGINNING BAND
Beginning Band is offered for any student in 3rd-8\textsuperscript{th} grades who wishes to learn to play a band instrument. Instruments offered in Beginning Band are Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, and Percussion (drums and bells). 3\textsuperscript{rd} and 4\textsuperscript{th} grade students will attend a concert on September 4\textsuperscript{th} given by professional musicians to introduce the instruments of the Band. In the coming days students will have an opportunity to try out the instruments with Mr. Pancratz. Beginning Band will meet on Tuesdays at 7:30am. The group lessons schedule will be determined once registration is complete.

Beginning Band Parent night and Band sign up takes place September 4th at 7pm. Come meet Mr. Pancratz and learn about the Instrumental Music Program! A representative from the instrument rental program will be present to answer questions about instrument rental. Sign up for Beginning Band takes place at this meeting. More information will be sent home with your child following the return to school.

LITURGICAL ENSEMBLE
The liturgical ensemble supports worship at a number of school liturgies throughout the year. Liturgical Ensemble is an advanced group and is by invitation by the director. Anyone with a special interest in this group should contact Mr. Pancratz.