

CNB Grade 7 Course INTEREST 2024/2025

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

REQUIRED COURSES at the grade 7 level include:

ENGLISH 7	MATHEMATICS 7	PHYSICAL EDUCATION 7
SOCIAL STUDIES 7	SCIENCE 7	CAREER EDUCATION 7
LANGUAGE 7		

EXPLORATORY COURSES:

Each year students go up in grades at CNB they receive more exploratory choices. At the grade 7 level students will choose between an option with band and an option without band. This allows us to follow the requirement that all students take both **Arts Education** and **Applied Design, Skills & Technologies (ADST)** courses. Students in grade 7 have the choice of either:

1. **BAND OPTION:** An explore rotation of Band (full-year) and two ADST courses (Home Economics & Trades and Technology)
2. **NO BAND OPTION:** An explore rotation of Art, Music, Home Economics & Trades and Technology

Please check the one box you would prefer for your explore option.

☐	OPTION 1 Band (full-year) and two ADST explore courses – Home Economics & Trades and Technology <i>*If you choose this option please complete the Instrument Interest form on the back</i>	☐	OPTION 2 Art, Music, Home Economics & Trades and Technology
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Please return this form to your ACE teacher by **Wednesday, March 6, 2024**

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

CNB BAND 7 INSTRUMENT INTEREST FORM

*Please complete this form if you are interested in taking Band 7 next year.
This helps us determine instrument needs for the upcoming year.*

Student Name: _____
First Last

The following instruments are available to play in Band 7:

Woodwinds: Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon, Alto Sax, Tenor Sax, Baritone Sax

Brass: Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Baritone/Euphonium, Tuba

Other: Electric Guitar, Electric Bass, Percussion

You may wish to watch some videos on the different instruments if you aren't sure what they are. There are great videos on each instrument at the Be Part of the Music website if you need help deciding what to play. <https://www.bepartofthemusic.org/bpotb/index.html>

Piano is a Grade 8 Jazz Band instrument – do NOT list it as one of your choices for Band 7. Those interested in piano should list percussion as one of their choices as mallet percussion uses a piano keyboard layout.

Please list your top three instruments from the list above, in order of preference:

1.

2.

3.

If you are taking private lessons on any instruments or if your family owns any instruments that you can use at school, please list them below (this is not a requirement). If there is anything else you feel I need to know, let me know here!

Constable Neil Bruce Middle School owns a fleet of instruments available for rent to students. These instruments are rented at a much lower rate than the annual rental fee from a retail music store to make Band more affordable to CNB families. If your family needs financial assistance to make the Band program accessible, the school can access hardship funds and lend you an instrument for the year.

Another option for families is to privately rent or purchase (you will be provided with info in the fall about how to do this). Instruments rented privately through Wentworth Music or Tapestry Music will be significantly more expensive, but the programs are rent-to-own and the instruments are newer. When you rent through a store, your repairs are covered through that fee (insurance is included).

The annual rental fees for an instrument through School District 23 and CNB are as follows:

\$120/year: Flute, Clarinet, Trumpet, Trombone, Electric Guitar, and Electric Bass

\$150/year: Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet, Alto Sax, Tenor Sax, French Horn, Baritone/Euphonium

\$180/year: Baritone Sax, Tuba

Percussionists will be charged an annual fee of \$25 to cover maintenance on school percussion equipment.

The rental fee covers basic annual maintenance of the school's instruments. It does not cover loss or damage due to negligence or accidents. If a school instrument is damaged due to negligence or an accident, the repair fee is the responsibility of the parent.

Expendables as required by each instrument (reeds, cleaning supplies, patch cables, drumsticks) are not covered in the annual rental fee. A method book is required for each student (approximately \$15). Expendables and method books are available for purchase locally through Wentworth Music or online through Tapestry Music in Vancouver.

Please note that Band 7 is a full-year commitment. Once the school schedule is created it is very difficult (and sometimes impossible) to move students from Band into another course!

Be ready to learn to play, one small step at a time! If you have any questions or concerns (time commitments, concerts, conflicts with other activities), please contact our CNB Band teacher, Mr. Thomson craig.thomson@sd23.bc.ca.

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