

HOW PARENTS CAN HELP

AT HOME

1. Show an interest in the music study of your child.
2. Arrange a regular time for your child to practice.
3. Find a quiet place where he can practice without interruption.
4. Help him with his practice as much as possible by counting, studying music texts, etc.
5. Help the student keep a daily record of her practice.
6. Give him a safe place to keep his instrument.
7. Keep the instrument in good repair with reeds, mutes, etc.
Every student should have their own metronome.
8. Be very careful with school-owned instruments. The cost of repairs is very high.
9. Help your child to be prepared and on time for each rehearsal and lesson.
10. Even though private study is not required, it is strongly recommended as an extension of the classroom.
11. Make faithful attendance at all activities important.
12. Encourage your child to play for others when the opportunity arises, in the home, at school, in church (Bishops are aloud to make exceptions for brass instruments at their discretion) and in the community.

AT SCHOOL

1. Keep a record of the students various musical activities.
2. Notify the teacher if the student is to be absent or tardy at lessons, rehearsals, etc., and explain why.
3. See that he takes his instrument and music to school.
4. Teach him to be punctual at lessons at rehearsals.
5. See that your child keeps up with classroom studies and makes up work he missed.
6. Visit rehearsals and lessons occasionally.
7. Discuss with your music teachers anything that will help them to better understand your child.
8. Attend concerts and other performances whenever possible.
9. Attend Band Booster meetings whenever possible.
10. Volunteer for parent committees.
11. Purchase band sweatshirts, hats, etc., and wear them to all band functions.