Parents,

As your student begins his/her time in band, it is imperative that they are set up for success. One aspect of this is to ensure he/she acquires a quality instrument. In order to make this easier on our CMS Band families, we partner with Gadsden Music. Sales representatives come to directly to CMS to rent and sell instruments to you, saving you the drive to a music store.

This year, we will have two rental nights: Monday, August 13th and Tuesday, August 14th. Both days, representatives from Gadsden Music will be in the CMS band room from 3:30-7:00pm. Do you not need to be here the entire time; simply stop by when you are available!

I would highly suggest that you opt to rent your child’s instrument; it is often a cheaper option for families and allows flexibility if we were have to switch instruments or your child decided they did not like band (highly unlikely 😊). Please note that in order to rent, you may be asked to complete a background check and/or provide a credit/debit card number; you are essentially walking away with a $500+ instrument for $40 or less, so the company will need some way to find you. Be sure that you bring your license, as well as a credit/debit card to establish reoccurring payments for rentals.

If you have any questions about our rental nights, please feel free to contact Ms. Knapp at knapps@calhounschools.org. If you have specific questions or concerns relating to the rental/purchasing process, please direct your questions to our main Gadsden representative, Robin Christian, at robin@gadsdenmusic.com

Musically yours,
Sara Knapp
CMS Band Director