



BENTON MIDDLE SCHOOL



Visual and Performing Arts Magnet

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Benton Band & Orchestra Leadership Application

Thank you for showing an interest in being a member of our student leadership team! We hope you find the application process to be interesting and enriching, regardless of the outcome. If you have any questions about the process or your application, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Summers. Work hard to represent yourself at the highest level throughout the process. Good luck!

Your candidacy will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Past performance
- Quality of your application
- Future leadership potential
- Best fit for the individual and the organization

When completing the application, be thorough, creative, and honest. Do not say what you think Mr. Summers wants to hear. Say what you really think. Leaders are people who can offer something new and different to the organization. This application process is structured so that you will gain insights into yourself as a person, so please be honest and detailed. You need to open up and show the person who you truly are and what you aspire to be.

Positions available:

- President
- Vice President
- Section Leader
- Member-at-large
- Music Librarian
- Equipment Manager

When submitting your application be sure that all elements are clearly labeled with your name, enclosed in one package, and placed in the homework drawer. All applications must be typed. Please include the following information in your application:

- Name
- Position(s) you are applying for
- Current GPA
- Current grade in Band / Orchestra



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Leadership Application Requirements:

1. Please provide a resume. Be sure to highlight your past leadership roles and experience, if applicable, and any and all relevant experience.
2. Respond to the following questions. Responses will be handwritten in person at a time and location scheduled by your director.
 - a. Why do you want the job?
 - b. What does leadership mean to you?
 - c. What are your strengths?
 - d. What are your weaknesses?
 - e. What are some areas in which our organization can improve, and what would you do to improve them?
3. Interview an adult on campus and ask them about their views on leadership. What did you learn from your conversation? How were their views different from your own?
4. Complete a service project for our organization. The scope and duration of the project are at your discretion. You may choose something that you think needs to be done, or you can ask your Director for a project. If you have questions about the validity of your project, please speak with your Director prior to beginning.

Applications are due by: Friday, April 12, 2024