



Do you have any band instruments sitting around your house collecting dust? The Hiawatha Education Foundation is starting a new band instrument donation program. The board members of the Hiawatha Education Foundation believe that music education is a great benefit to our youth. It helps develop discipline and confidence in students, as well as enhance their abstract thinking skills. We realize that for some students, participating in the band program is not financially possible.

Our goal is to collect your unused and unwanted band instruments. We will be happy to collect any unwanted musical instruments from you.

We will have the band instruments assessed by a qualified person to determine if it is usable by the band program. If the instrument is deemed unacceptable, you may donate it anyway for parts/scrap or you may take the instrument home with you. If the instrument is acceptable, we will provide verification of this in a letter to you so you may use it for your tax purposes.

Note that the instrument will invariably become the property of the school district and will become part of the band program.

The Hiawatha Education Foundation will then turn these instruments over to the band program at Hiawatha for their use in the band program to loan to students. Children who would not normally be able to participate in the band program might get a chance through your donations.

To donate an instrument, contact Amy Polzin at 815-262-5069 or e-mail her at [apolzin87@yahoo.com](mailto:apolzin87@yahoo.com) to make arrangements to pick up or drop off instruments.