

7th & 8th Grade Band Parents,

Welcome back!

We are excited to start the year with the 7th & 8th grade band students! As we get started we want to make sure to communicate with you and let you know how we will be sending home information and how to best communicate with us.

We will be using Google Classroom this year and we will be posting assignments, playing tests, and practice journals in this format. You can use your child's Ipslancer account to see what their band assignments are. If you do not have access to technology and your child will need hard copies of this information please let us know and we will make that available. A good place to look for band information is on the 'Middle School Band' link found on the District website under 'Performing Arts' or your student's google classroom. There you will find links to band parent activities, the band handbook, calendar information, fundraiser forms, etc.

Please fill out the contact information google form assigned in your student's Google Classroom. They will bring it to you to complete :) The band parents will use that info to send out important reminders about upcoming band events and also opportunities for you to volunteer and get to know other band families. Please complete by this Thursday, September 2 so we can update our band parent database.

Also due this Thursday is the 'Health Form' & 'Code of Conduct' form which should be signed by the student and a parent after you have read through the band handbook and the Code of Conduct found on the middle school band link. All 6th-12th grade band students need to turn in a health form each year along with a copy of your insurance card. Our nurse keeps all of this information in a binder and does not share any health information other than what directors would need to know i.e. asthma, allergies.

Finally, the parent will need to fill out the Field Trip form for the school year.

Please return all signed forms by this Thursday, September 2 so we can update our band parent database.

Soon after school starts, we'll do our first fundraiser - please watch for more info on that. Participating in the fundraisers puts money in the general fund which will benefit all band students and students also earn student credit in a personal account which can be used for trips (Middle School Band goes to Mackinac Island every other year, and the High School Band does a trip every other year as well as going to band camp every summer). Having money in a student account is a great way to pay for trips!.

If you have any questions or concerns please send us an email or give us a call.

Thank you for sharing your children with us, we are really looking forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

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