

To: 2009 – 2010 MMS Band Parents/Guardians
From: Mr. Williams, Director of MMS Bands
Re: Blue Devil Band Camp for 2009 – 2010

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope that everyone has had a great year, and will have an enjoyable summer! I wanted to send out a reminder for the summer band camp schedule. The schedule for band camp will be similar as in years past. Remember, all students must bring insurance information with them to camp and turn it into the office. This is required by the school district. Also, remember to make sure your student(s) are signed up for band when you are doing registration, **except for Color Guard members who are NOT participating in Band for Quarters 1 – 4.**

There will be 10 days of rehearsal prior to the first week of school. Jul. 29th, 30th, and Jul.31st will be for beginning students only (*6th grade in 2009 – 2010*), and **ALL percussion**. Percussionist will need these first extra 3 days because they have twice the music to learn. Aug. 3rd – 7th, and Aug. 10th – 11th will be for **all 2009 – 2010 MMS Band students**.

All students need to attend these camp dates. If there is a conflict, **PLEASE** contact me **BEFORE** rehearsals begin. Any serious conflicts can be resolved easily by successful communication. If your student plays **MMS BASEBALL OR SOFTBALL**, there will be **NO CONFLICTS**. Students **WILL** be able to do both. **Sports and other activities are easily accommodated with parent/coach/band director cooperation.**

The following schedule will be used:

Jul 29th, 30th, and Jul 31st

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM **6th Grade Brass and Woodwinds (*Includes 7th and 8th Grade Baseball players*)**
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM **All Percussion**

Aug 3rd – Aug 7th, Aug 10th and 11th

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM **Brass and Woodwinds (*Includes Softball players*)**
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM **Full Band (*Brass, Woodwinds, and Percussion*)**
 Excluding Softball players
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Percussion**

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Color Guard, with Mrs. Hanson**

Students will be fitted for uniforms and t-shirts at the camp. There will be a \$5.00 fee for uniforms (*cleaning*) and a \$10.00 fee for the purchase of t-shirts. **Any parent that can help with the uniform fitting, please call the MMS Band office (number below) and leave a message.** If there are any conflicts or questions about the dates or times (*baseball and softball*), please call me at the MMS Band office (618) 684 – 3041, ext. 2224.

Please look for my July mailing. This will include a reminder about camp, the 2009 – 2010 MMS Bands Student Handbook, and the Fall 09 Master Schedule. Any other information can be found online on our website, www.bluedevilband.org.

2009 – 2010 should be the best year ever for the MMS band program!