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Band Parents,

Our fundraiser pick up night and our first concert of the year are coming soon. Please see the information below for more information.

Fundraiser Pick Up

Our fundraiser items are scheduled to be delivered on Monday, November 21st. Since payment was due up front this year, all you need to do is come pick up your items. Since Mr. Hubert and I will be in rehearsals on Monday night, Mr. Pasbrig, the KML Choir Director and Music Department Chair, will be helping us out with distribution. Pick up will run from 6:30-7:30 on Monday evening. That should allow for people to pick up after Colt Band and/or before Mustang Band. All items will be delivered and stored on the PAC Stage that evening. There will be a meeting going on in the PAC, in front of the curtain, so if you happen to walk into the PAC, you might see that. You can get to the stage from inside the building, where some parents and students hang out during rehearsals, or around the back side of the building through the loading garage door. The loading door would be a great option for pulling up your vehicle to make loading much easier. If you pull into the parking lot immediately to the left when you enter the campus and drive to the back corner of the lot, you'll see the garage door there. Mr. Pasbrig could use some assistance in unloading the pallets and sorting the boxes to make the pick up go smoother. If you are able to help unstack and sort boxes around 6:00 PM on Monday, please let me know. Once everything is unstacked and sorted, there shouldn't be much other work to do.

Black Friday Sale on SmartMusic!

According to the company that makes SmartMusic, it is going to be 50% off next weekend! I know a number of families purchased SmartMusic through a similar deal last year. Here's a copy of the email they sent me:

Next weekend only, classic SmartMusic student subscriptions will be just \$20.

Tell your students and their parents to use promo code THANKS on the [MakeMusic store](#) between November 25 and November 28, 2016 to save 50%.*

If you do purchase SmartMusic for your child, please let me know so we can maximize the options and features it provides.

Rehearsal and Concert Info – Saturday, December 3

Our first performance of the year will be on Saturday, December 3 at 7:00 PM. We will share this concert with the KML High School Bands. All band members need to be at KML by 6:15 p.m. that evening to warmup, tune, and go through any other things prior to our concert. Colt Band and Mustang Band will meet in the Choir Room that evening (the first door on the right as you come into the music hallway). As listed in the KMLES Band Handbook, all members are asked to wear white from the waist up and black from the waist down (black pants, black socks, and black shoes!). Girls

may wear black pants or skirts, but please make sure any skirts or dresses are below knee length. Girls may also wear an all black dress if they prefer. This is a free concert - there is no charge for admission. The concert will also be streamed live so if you have family or friends who are unable to make it in person, they may visit www.kmlhs.org/stream to watch from home. Our dress rehearsals for final preparation for the concert will be on Monday, November 28th. Those rehearsals are extremely important since they will be our only opportunity to practice on the stage and talk through getting onto and off of the stage, etc. All students playing for the concert are expected to be at this rehearsal. While it is called a dress rehearsal, students are not expected to wear their concert attire that evening.

School Lesson Schedule

Lessons should follow the normal schedule Monday through Wednesday this week as we near Thanksgiving. There will be some changes to the schedule coming up due to a small recruitment trip to visit the fourth graders of the KML Federation, a convention trip for Mr. Hubert and myself, and the ever closer Christmas Break! More information will be sent out as dates and times are confirmed.

If you have any questions about these news items or other things, please let me know. Thank you!