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Band Parents,

Lessons for the 2017-2018 school year are underway - hopefully you'll soon be hearing beautiful music at home!

Changes and Modifications for 2017-2018

There are a couple of small changes that families familiar with our program will want to take note of. Last year, due to the very small size of the number of second year students in our program, we added those students to Mustang Band instead of them having their own band as we had in the past. This year, Maverick Band is back! Our first year students will be in Colt Band, our second year students will be in Maverick Band, and our third and fourth year students will be in Mustang Band. Rehearsal times are listed below.

As I mentioned in an email last week, we also have a third teacher helping us out with some of our lessons. Due to the number of students in the program this year, Mrs. Amy Hubert will be helping us out at Trinity and Pilgrim. She will be a great addition to our program!

Payment Info for the 2017-2018 School Year - Due Thursday, September 15

Billing information was emailed out on August 15. The online registration for automatic withdrawals will only be available until September 15. If you have not yet made payment arrangements for the year, please visit <http://goo.gl/QJdE5y>. Whether you prefer to pay by check or through automatic monthly withdrawals, instructions can be found at that link. Please make your arrangements as soon as possible.

Monday Rehearsals and Parent Meetings

Colt Band will meet for the first time on Monday, September 18. That evening, we will hold a joint meeting with the Colt Band students and their parents. No instruments are necessary that evening. Colt Band will meet from 6:00 to 6:50 as they will throughout the year. Maverick Band and Mustang Band will meet for the first time on Monday, September 25. We will begin that evening with the students from both bands together, along with their parents. After a brief meeting together, we will split the two bands and conduct our first rehearsals of the year. Parents are welcome to hang out in the rehearsal rooms with us during that rehearsal if they would like. Both groups will meet that evening from 7:00-8:00 as they will throughout the year.

If you know that your child will be missing from any rehearsals or performances throughout the year, please visit our website to fill out the online form to let us know. A link to the online form can be found on our website or found at <https://goo.gl/VBbgDA>.

Other Online Forms

We have an online form for students who have attended other concerts and performances to fill out for points toward our end of the year awards. If your child attends any type of musical performance, please visit the online form and fill it out with them. Each entry earns 5 points. The form is listed on our website and can be found at <http://goo.gl/E2iNm8>.

We have a similar form for any students who perform for church, chapel, or any other events outside of our performances as a band. Those performances earn 10 points each. That form is also listed on our website and can be found at <https://goo.gl/S5FFJx>.

Fundraising Opportunity

This year we will once again be participating in a fundraiser for our band program. Mr. Jack Schulze from The Chip Shoppe will be visiting our rehearsals on October 9 to introduce the students to the program. Monies generated by our band students from this fundraiser will help pay for non-budgeted items including the purchase and repair of instruments and other items we will need throughout the year.

Other Ways to Stay in Touch

Website - www.kmlhs.org/kmlsbands

Facebook Group - <https://www.facebook.com/KMLESBP>

Remind.com Text Alerts - <http://goo.gl/W8IRHo>

I think that covers everything. It's a lengthy email, but I wanted to try to put everything in one place so you would be able to find it easily throughout the year. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

God's Blessings!

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