



# School District of Winter

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Dear Band students and parents,

I want to extend an opportunity to all band students entering grades 6-12 in 2017 to continue their instrumental lessons through the summer. This is a great opportunity you should seriously consider.

The students in the band program have all made remarkable improvement this year. Skills they did not have at the beginning of the year are completely natural to them now. Much of that amazing progress could be lost over the 3 months of summer break, though.

**All students who are planning on returning to band next year will be expected to take their instruments home for summer.** It is only by practicing regularly, though, that they will be able to hold onto the skills they have at the end of the school year. If the instrument sits in its case for three months, your child will have taken a huge leap backward, and will have a rough beginning to next year.

The purpose of this letter is to spark interest in summer lessons, and to explain how the lessons work over summer.

- Summer school is from June 19th-29th, Monday through Thursday, from 8 AM-12 PM.
- Lessons will be twice a week, either Monday & Wednesday, or Tuesday & Thursday.
- Lessons will be 30 minutes long, but cannot conflict with credit recovery classes.
- Lessons will be held in the band office at Winter School, as usual.
- We will cover material from method books that will challenge the student and build and maintain the skills they developed during the last school year.
- We can also work on music selections for next year's Solo & Ensemble Festival!
- Provided the student can get transportation to and from school, I am flexible in when I can schedule their lessons, during, before, and after school hours (and dates).
- There is **NO COST** for these lessons! **FREE** summer lessons are hard to find!
  - Depending on how many lessons the student attends, their required 16 lessons during the school year may be lowered. More information on the back...

If your child wants to still *remember which end of their instrument to blow into*, they should take lessons over summer. **Please fill out the form on the reverse side of this letter** if they are interested in signing up for summer lessons. It will be a big step forward into next fall, putting them at an advantage from the start. **PLEASE contact me with all questions, concerns, or comments!**

***Please return the form on the opposite side of this letter within 3 WEEKS so I can put a lesson schedule together! Thank you!***

Sincerely,

Mr. Pachan  
Director of Bands  
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I'm so glad you've taken a look at this side of the letter!  
If your child is interested in attending summer lessons,  
please write their name on the line below:

PLEASE RETURN  
THIS FORM TO  
MR. PACHAN  
BEFORE MAY 12th!!

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(*student name*)

I will try to put a schedule together that meets everybody's needs.  
The following gives you an opportunity to make your preferences clear.

## **Which days of the week work best for the student and family?**

*Check all that apply.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Monday & Wednesday                      \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday & Thursday

## **What time of day works best for the student and family? *Check all that apply.***

\_\_\_\_\_ Early morning (8:00-10:00)      \_\_\_\_\_ Late morning (10:00-12:00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Early Afternoon (12:00-2:00)

**Even though Summer School only runs from June 19th-29th, I am still in Winter through July and August. If the student is able to get transportation to the school, I will be happy to teach a lesson during any month of summer!**

Students who attend during the June 19th-29th session earn one lesson exemption in both the 1st and 3rd quarters.

Students who are able to attend at least **one additional month** earn one lesson exemption each quarter!

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**Which months will the student be able to attend lessons? Check all that apply.**

\_\_\_\_\_ June 19th-29th

\_\_\_\_\_ July 10th-29th

\_\_\_\_\_ August 7th-17th