

March 22, 2017

Dear Band Parent,

I hope that you have enjoyed your child's journey in band so far. I have been pleased with the progress that the students have been making this year to create characteristic sounds on their instruments. We are coming up on the Spring Music Concert on **Wednesday, May 16th**. So the beginning band players can have the experience of an evening performance on stage, they will be joining the RED Band for the **6pm** concert that night. Save the date!



Students have been working their way through our method book each week in order to prepare for the performance. We will be sharing some of the band ensemble pieces with families and relatives. Because we want the to be a memorable event, we want the children to dress *as nice as possible* and look similar to one another. This will allow the audience to focus on the music rather than our clothing. I have provided some guidelines to keep in mind about dressing for the concert:

- **White shirt** (preferably with a collar) and no picture or lettering on the shirt.
- **Black slacks or pants** (no shorts)
- Girls may wear a **black skirt or dress** of appropriate length
- **Black (or dark colored) shoes** with black socks are preferred
- Ties may be worn, but are not required (have fun and be festive, Mr. Polston will be wearing a bowtie)
- Girls should avoid wearing high heels

If you foresee any issues with being able to get the necessary items for concert dress, please contact me immediately. On the night of the concert, students will meet in the Band Room at Penn Brook **30 minutes before concert time**. There will be further detail closer to the date. There is no admission price but we will have a place for donations and will be hosting a bake sale. The contributions that you make will continue to help purchase new music equipment, materials and music for our school.

You can always stay up-to-date on music happenings by visiting our class webpage via the Penn Brook School website. My email is polstona@georgetown.k12.ma.us if you have any questions or need clarification. See you at the concert!

Sincerely,

Mr. Polston
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