



Leaman Junior High Band

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Dear parents of our Wind Symphony,

We are reaching the end of our region band season. For the past 6 weeks Mr. Lee, Mr. Reynolds and I have enjoyed the time we shared with your kids intensely studying our region band etudes and region scales. I hope you have enjoyed hearing their progress along the way. Your kid's hard work and brilliance inspire us daily!

I want to thank you for all of the mornings we have asked for your child to be at school early and for those afternoons you have facilitated a way to allow your child to stay afterschool. Morning and afternoon sectionals are a special time to both development us musically and to get to know each other a little better.

We have two weeks until the **Lamar CISD District Band Auditions** which take place the morning of **Saturday, November 4th, 2017** at **Briscoe JH**. (More detailed information regarding times will be sent to you once it becomes available.) Now that the auditions are fast approaching, I am proud to share that your child is ready to audition! This will be a blind audition; *students will audition for judges who are hidden behind a screen. Students are identified in the room by a label in the form of a "letter" (i.e. letter "L") to help keep anonymity. They will be asked to play portions of their etudes, two scales, and their chromatic scale. Judges will award points to each student according to what they hear played. There are multiple chairs available in every section. Once each of the performers' scores are totaled and ranked, the students earning the highest rankings in each of the rooms will be invited to play in the Lamar CISD District Band the following weekend on Friday afternoon, November 10th & Saturday, November 11th. They will spend that time with a phenomenal musician/conductor charged with providing an exciting and fun musical experience, culminating into a Saturday early afternoon concert for all of us to enjoy.*

As you could imagine, we will spend these remaining weeks fine tuning and polishing our music in hopes for a brilliant and confident performance for your child that day. Region/District Band season is something your child will look forward to every year in both the junior high and high school band programs!

As part of them participating in the District Band auditions, we are asking for you to submit your child's \$10 audition entry fee by Tuesday, November 1st. This fee will go towards hiring all of the musicians who will serve as judges during the audition process. If you wish to write a check, please make checks payable to "**DLJH #9**".

Thank you for sharing your kids with us and as always, if you have any questions, please call or email anytime.

Sincerely,

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