

March 30, 2010

Dear 6th Grade Band Parent,

The end of the year is rapidly approaching, which means that our Annual Band Contest/Fun Day will be here before you know it. The date of our contest, as announced earlier this year, is May 12. For our Annual Contest/Fun Day, we will be performing at the Pride of Texas Music Festival in Arlington, TX.

The cost of the trip is \$30 and includes:

- Individual Contest Performance Fees
- Pizza Lunch
- Tickets for bowling, miniature golf, and laser tag
- Arcade game card

Many of the students participated in our fundraiser this past fall (Fresh Country Meat and Fruit), so some or all of those students' trips have already been paid for. On the back of this page you will see the amount that your child earned for the fundraiser and the balance that is still due. The trip must be paid for in full by Wednesday, April 21 and Thursday, April 22.

As this is an extra-curricular event, your child must be eligible according to U.I.L. standards in order to participate. In other words, students must be passing every class at the end of the 5th Six Weeks. If your student is ineligible to attend the contest, there is no need to pay for the event.

A permission slip for the contest/trip is attached. Every student must have a signed permission slip in order to attend the trip. Please be sure to fill out both sides, and turn it in on the payment date.

Parents are invited to attend the trip, as long as they provide their own transportation. We perform at Alley Cats Family Fun Center (2008 W. Pleasant Ridge Road, Arlington, TX 76015) at 10:00 AM. Students should be at the MS Band Hall by 7:30 AM so that we can leave the school at approximately 8:00 AM. After performing, students will take advantage of all of the fun activities that Alley Cats has to offer. We will finish "fun time" at around 1:30, and begin the trip back to Crandall. We should be back to the MS before school is out for the day. Students will be able to ride the bus or be picked up as normal.

Don't forget about the upcoming Sounds of Spring Concert on April 13.

Thank you for allowing your child to be a part of this fast growing program. We strongly believe that these contests prepare students to enter a very competitive world and that participation in a music program helps them strive for perfection in everything that life has to offer. Please feel free to call the band hall 972.427.6080 ext. 5619 or e-mail with any questions.

Thank You,

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