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TO: Beach Park Band Parents

FROM: Jennifer Grabot, Director of Bands

SUBJECT: Band Camp, August 2 - 7, 2010

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT DUE DATES HAVE BEEN CHANGED IN ORDER TO
ACCOMMODATE BUDGETARY NEEDS. WE WERE FORCED TO CANCEL
CAMP LAST YEAR DUE TO LOW ENROLLMENT. PLEASE SUBMIT
REGISTRATION ON TIME SO WE CAN ACCURATELY ASSESS CAMP
ATTENDANCE and NEEDS. Thank you!**

WHAT IS IT?

Band Camp is a self-contained, not-for-profit program, financially supported by the Band Boosters. The intent of the program is to give our students a musical "head start" for the coming school year. We have a music staff made up of professional music instructors picked by myself and paid for by the Band Boosters. These teachers are brought in to teach lessons and rehearsals, which are scheduled at least twice a day for the entire week. When we are not making music, we have various planned activities and recreation time, including softball and kickball, four-square, scavenger hunts, swim time, Talent Night, Movie Night, and the ever-famous Band Camp Olympics. Most importantly, all of our chaperones are first aid/CPR certified, we have a health care professional on 24-hour duty, and an emergency room is located less than 3 miles away. Students are covered by your own family medical insurance.

WHERE IS IT?

This year's camp will be held at Conference Point Center in Williams Bay, Wisconsin. The camp itself is a summer camp scenically situated on the western edge of Lake Geneva. The facilities include several dorm-like buildings, private washroom facilities, a large dining hall that serves three meals daily, a large indoor rehearsal hall for full band rehearsals, and PLENTY of open spaces outdoors for sectional rehearsals. The camp also provides several recreation sites on the grounds - a ball diamond, basketball and volleyball courts, horseshoes, shuffle board and of course the lake for swimming.

WHEN IS IT?

We leave for camp on Monday, August 3rd. All the bands will perform a concert on Saturday, August 8th at noon. Camp concludes with the concert. Parents will be responsible for providing transportation home for their child after the concert. There will be no buses available for Saturday's return.

WHO IS INVITED?

This year, Band Camp is being offered to 5th, 6th, and 7th and 8th grade Beach Park Band students who have met the criteria listed in the Beach Park Bands Handbook. Students will be placed into either the Cadet or Symphonic Band at the directors' discretion. **Please note that 5th graders who choose to attend will be **STRONGLY** encouraged to also attend the four-week Summer Band sessions that take place at BPMS in June/July. More information on Summer Band will come out at the end of April.

HOW MUCH IS IT?

Total Camp Cost Per Student – 5 nights/6 days - \$260.00

This includes housing, 3 meals per day, and an Official Band Camp T-Shirt.

The actual cost per student is approximately \$350.00; however, the Band Boosters are contributing to the financial burden by paying for all transportation costs, staff salaries, and miscellaneous expenses in excess of \$10,000. By covering these costs, **your total payment is only \$260.00.**

WHEN IS PAYMENT DUE?

An \$80.00 deposit and the preliminary registration form MUST be returned to me by February 12, 2010.

The SECOND PAYMENT of \$80.00 will be due April 2, 2010.

The THIRD and Final payment of \$100.00 will be due FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2010.

Health forms will be sent home prior to the final payment due date. There will be no refunds after June 4th, 2010.

Due to the questionable economy, I cannot reserve the camp with good intentions. If we do not have enough people signed up by February, I will need to cancel our reservations. If you cannot make the payment by the due date, contact me so I can reserve space for your child. I am willing to make arrangements, but you need to speak with me before February 12.

Please make checks or money orders payable to **BEACH PARK BAND BOOSTERS** . Your child can give the payment and registration slip to their director, or you can mail it to:

**Beach Park Bands - Jennifer Grabot
C/o Beach Park Middle School
40667 N. Green Bay Rd.
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For parents that have questions about Band Camp, feel free to contact me at Beach Park Middle School - 847 - 596 – 5803 or jgrabot@bpd3.org . For those signing up, further information concerning camp equipment, rules, and final details will be sent out in July This camp is a tremendous opportunity for our students in the Beach Park Band Program, and we hope that everyone will consider this opportunity and attend!

**Parents interested in chaperoning, be aware there is a waiting list. Let me know of your interest as soon as possible, and I will put you on the list!

PRELIMINARY REGISTRATION

_____ plans to attend Summer Band Camp to be held August 2 – 7th, 2010
at Conference Point Center in Williams Bay, Wisconsin.

Current Grade : 5 6 7 8 Instrument: _____

The \$80 per student deposit should be turned in with this form no later than Friday, February 12, 2010.

Parent Signature_____

Student's T-shirt size - Circle one (adult sizes) XS S M L XL XXL