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To: Fall 2022 Crimson Express Students

From: Mr. Williams

Re: CE Band Camp 2022

Hello Crimson Express!

Time to prepare for another awesome fall season! All we need is everyone here with a positive attitude ready to overachieve. The staff and I are very excited about this year's show, "Land of Make Believe." Creative is the key word for this fall. Here is some information for you:

- A. If you need a copy of the music, or Mp3's to rehearse with, you can access all of them via our Google Classroom. If you need an invite, please let me know as soon as possible.
- B. PLEASE HAVE ALL MUSIC MEMORIZED BEFORE CAMP BEGINS!
- C. We will be using the Red Crimson Express T-shirts this Fall. Order forms will be available in the band room after camp starts and online.
- D. Student activity fees are \$125.00 and are due at the end of camp. If this is paid by September 1st, the fee is only \$100.00. This fee covers staff salaries, props, equipment, travel expenses, driver fees, uniform cleaning, food, and numerous other expenses that occur during our school year. It is important that everyone who participates in the program also supports the program financially. This fee can be paid out of your student account or with check/cash. *If you pay with a check or with cash, I will give you a receipt for your records.* An activity fee form will be attached to this letter to use for payment.

As a reminder, when rehearsals begin in August, all students should have a physical on file with the district. All Medical Release, Insurance, Athletic

Responsibility, CE BANDS Code of Conduct, Attendance Policy, and Handbook forms are available on our Google Classroom, the Crimson Website, and our Social Media. All of them should be in by the end of camp. Make sure that you are signed up for Band.

Reminder, Band Camp dates are (UPDATED):

August 1st-5th, and August 8th-10th: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM (Lunch on your own, 12-1 PM).

August 11th: 6:00-9:00 PM due to District Teacher Institute Day.

Anyone doing sports or another activity this fall in addition to Band will need to have their schedules worked out with me and the coaches. Contact me ASAP with this info.

As far as camp, make sure that you have the following items when you arrive:

1. Instrument (*Valve Oil, Reeds, etc.*) AND YOUR Music (*all 4 movements*).
2. SUNBLOCK, SUNBLOCK, SUNBLOCK!
3. Water jug and /or Gatorade. (*Please try to avoid Soda!*)
4. Pencil and Music Folder with Plastic Pages.
5. Running shoes. ***(NO SANDALS/SLIDES!)***
6. Motivation.

Please make sure that you get outside and get used to the heat and humidity before camp begins. Please have your music memorized when you come to camp. Also, **EAT BREAKFAST!** You will be as good as you want to be and no better. The work and dedication that you put into this program will show up on the field. If you have any questions, please call (618) 687-2336, Ext. 1333, or email me at nwilliams@mhs.org. HAVE A GREAT SUMMER VACATION! I will see all of you in August.

Sincerely,

Mr. Williams
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