



*North Andover Public Schools
Music Department*

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Dear Parents,

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The staff and I are very excited to get started with our fall season on Monday.

First of all, I want you to know that your child's safety and welfare are of paramount importance to us at all times. As I look at the forecast for the upcoming week, it seems we will be having very comfortable temperatures. I hoped to reiterate that students should have the following items for the duration of camp:

- A thermos or water bottle labeled with their name (when on field, must be kept on the sidelines; student will have access to their waters at all times).
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Sneakers
- Multiple pairs of dry socks

Additionally, throughout the course of the day, students are given several water breaks so that they can stay hydrated. We will have "easy-up" tents on the rehearsal field so that during water breaks, students will be out of the sun. We are generally out of the sun for the hottest times during the day (e.g. rehearsing music inside or in the shade somewhere on the school campus). In the event that there is any severe weather, rehearsals will be moved indoors. Furthermore, it is imperative that all students submit their signed medical form (downloadable online at www.northandovermusic.org) tomorrow in the event that we need to contact parents for any reason.

Finally, it is very important that students come to camp after eating a healthy breakfast, stay hydrated throughout the day and get plenty of rest during the week.

I am looking forward to a productive week of summer band camp. We are all excited that each member of this performing ensemble has chosen to become a part of this organization. Let's make this the most inspiring year yet!

Sincerely,

Justin D. Smalley
Director of Bands, North Andover High School
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