

Dear Junior High Band Parents & Students,

We are excited about your child’s decision to continue band and participate in the Teague Lion Junior High Band Program! We look forward to a great and exciting year with you and your student. In this letter you will find important dates with regard to the Junior High Bands participation during the fall and spring semester, a short supply list, as well as information about how your student will be held accountable during the year.

IMPORTANT JUNIOR HIGH FALL/SPRING DATES:

- September 9-** Instrument Drive 5:00-7:00 pm Teague Band Hall
For those who have not purchased an instrument who wish to or get supplies
- October 30-** JH Football vs. Hearne TBA in pm Teague Stadium
The Junior High Band will be participating during this game (mandatory)
- November 7-** HS Football vs. Franklin 7:00 pm Teague Stadium
The JH/HS Combined Bands will participate during this game (mandatory)
- December 5-** JH Region Band Auditions 3:00-12:00pm Groesbeck HS
Open to all students who wish to participate
- December 13-** JH Region Band Clinic All Day Groesbeck HS
For those students who make the Region Band
- December 15-** Teague Christmas Concerts 6:00 pm Teague Auditorium
Mandatory for all JH band students
- May 11-** Teague Spring Concerts 6:00 pm Teague Auditorium
Mandatory all JH Band Students

Other dates are still in the progress of being planned such as concert contests, band trips, and solo/ensemble contests. When those dates are scheduled we will send out all important information regarding those events.

JH SUPPLY LIST:

- Lyre (no percussion)- \$6.00 _____
 - Flip Folder- \$6.00 (Flutes \$10.00) _____
 - Band Shirt- \$15.00 _____
 - Essential Elements 2- \$8.00 (7th Grade) _____
 - Essential Elements 3- \$8.00 (8th Grade) _____
 - Valve Oil- \$4.00 _____
 - Extra Reeds- \$2.00-\$3.00 _____
- (The Essential Elements percussion books cost \$10.00)

Your student will receive a daily participation grade that is based on behavior and participation during class. If your student has an excused absence, then that day’s participation grade will not count against him or her. Your student is expected to abide by Teague Lion Band Rules as well as the Teague ISD Student Code of Conduct.

Disciplinary consequences:

<u>1st display of a discipline problem-</u>	child will be called out
<u>2nd display of a discipline problem-</u>	seating arrangement will be changed
<u>3rd display of a discipline problem-</u>	writing assignment will be assigned as a test grade and guardians will be called
<u>4th display of a discipline problem-</u>	behavioral contract will be made and signed by Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Martin, the student, and the guardians
<u>5th display of a discipline problem-</u>	Phone Call notification of the parent by the student, Mrs. Martin, and Mr. Fisher
<u>6th display of a discipline problem-</u>	Escort to the principal's office, notification of guardians, In School Suspension

If *serious discipline problems* worsen past this degree, then school officials will determine other strategies and consequences. *Serious disciplinary problems* include those that permanently interrupt the classroom atmosphere of learning or cause a safety hazard to others in the classroom.

In addition to the daily participation grade, your student is responsible for daily practice on his or her instrument to successfully pass off lines of music that will be assigned weekly that will count once. Failure to even attempt to play off their lines will result in zero credit given. Your student will also be responsible for learning all stands, field, and concert music that will factor into their daily participation grade. There will be a six weeks test every six weeks over material assigned at the beginning of the six weeks (etudes and scales) that will count twice. Failure to even attempt to play off their lines will result in zero credit given. All of the events on the calendar with the exception of All Region, Solo/Ensemble, and band trips are test grades for the students and are mandatory. Test grades count twice. If an emergency arises causing your student to miss one of the mandatory events, then contact us as soon as possible.

Again we are very pleased and excited that your student decided to continue their musical education with the Teague Lion Band Program and we look forward to what the future holds!

Donnie Osborn

Cari Martin

Weston Fisher

(please detach, sign, and return through your student by Friday, August 29, 2008)

I have read and understand what is expected of my child and how he or she will be evaluated.

Student Signature

Parent Signature