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Greetings OE Band Families!

Congratulations to the Orange and Blue Brigade for once again demonstrating your ability to rise to the occasion, focus on individual improvement, and put on an AMAZING show! Your success this year is due to many individuals making the choice each and every day to show up and improve, to take risks, and to push through challenges rehearsal after rehearsal. I am so proud… and I think I'm going to miss our time in the City of Light

Parents—I wish I could find better words to thank you for making my crazy ideas come to life, and for your care for the kids in this program. Mr. Reed and I could not do this without you, and we do not take your investment of time, money, and energy for granted. We are grateful beyond measure and humbled to be surrounded by families that step up—rain or shine—to support the kids and all they've worked for!

Calendar at a glance (FULL CALENDAR LINKED HERE):

Nov 9-11—Full Band playing test (in class)
Nov 15—Mattress Fundraiser at OE!
Nov 20—Band performs at PT Pep Assembly (optional)
Dec 3—Heavy Metal Christmas @MNU 9:00 AM-11:00 AM
Dec 4-5—District Band Clinic and concerts
Dec 7—Winter Band Concert! 7:30 PM in OE Auditorium

Full Band Auditions--November 9-11 in class

We will start playing tests in class tomorrow. Music is on Canvas and hard copies were available in the band room.

Mattress Sale Fundraiser—November 15, 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

This fundraiser will be a little different from our previous fundraising efforts because this one will go directly to individual students to help offset the cost of their trip to Orlando OR to cover some or all of their band fees for next year. **Please tell your friends and family that might be in the market for a new mattress so they can purchase a great, name brand mattress at discounted price—and benefit your student as well!** Flyer is linked here!

Pep Band:

All band students are welcome and encouraged to join the pep band! This group is entirely separate from any band class, and we have a LOT of fun! Sign ups are in the band room, and we'll do a couple of classtime rehearsals to get the pep tunes ready to go. Pep band game dates are as follows:

- Dec 10
- Jan 1
- Jan 8
- Jan 15 (Middle school night!)
- Jan 26
- Feb 2
- Feb 16
- Feb 26

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