

Student's Name	
Group (Eagle, Concert, Symphonic, Honors)	
Student's Instrument	

Arbor Creek Middle School Band



Signature Packet 2008-2009

Turn in all the pages in this packet.

Please do not remove any pages!

Due Date: Friday, August 29

Thank you!



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Dear Parents and Students:

In the band handbook that you can access at www.arborcreekband.com , you will find important information about the Arbor Creek Band Program and a list of important dates for the year. We thank you for your assistance and patience with the related forms that you will find in this “Signature Packet.” Please return these signed forms by Friday, August 29.

Sincerely,

ACMS Band Staff

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Student Information Form - Arbor Creek Middle School Band

Student ID Number

Name (first, MI, last)

Address

City, St, Zip

Home Phone

E-mail

same address, and phone for mother?

father?

Band Honors, Symphonic, Concert, Eagle)

Grade

Gender

Instrument

Birthdate

Pvt. Teacher (7th and 8th grade only)

Cubby number

Personal Instrument Type

Brand

Serial #

Mother or _____

First

Last

Phone

(work)

(home)

(cell)

Address

City, St Zip

E-mail

Occupation/Skills

Father or _____

First

Last

Phone

(work)

(home)

(cell)

Address

City, St Zip

E-mail

Occupation/Skills

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Handbook Preference

_____ We elect to receive the ACMS Handbook online at www.arborcreekband.com and accept responsibility for accessing it.

_____ We do not have internet access and need to receive a hardcopy of the ACMS Handbook.

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Private Lesson Reply

The private lesson program plays a very important role in the music education of the Arbor Creek Band and its individual students. We urge you to take advantage of the opportunity afforded our students by private study. The rates for these lessons are comparable or below that one would pay in a music studio or on a college campus. These lessons are offered during the school year and usually during the summer.

Private lessons are directly responsible for the successes that the ACMS Bands have enjoyed in the past. Students involved in this program enjoy receiving more individual attention than the band director can give in a typical band class. The time that the student spends once a week with the instructor in a one on one situation will help him/her to excel much more quickly. These students receive instruction on fundamentals and technique in addition to help on solos, ensembles, chair tests, try-out materials, scale tests, tape grades, all region band preparation and more!

The current fee for each lesson this school year is \$17.00 per lesson. Lessons taken before or after school will be 30 minutes long. Private lessons may also be given during the student's band class. Lessons are given once a week.

Please fill out the private lesson reply form in the indicating whether or not you can take advantage of the program at this time. We hope to have a high percentage of our students involved in this very beneficial aspect of our band program!

Private lessons are the number one way to insure your student's success!

Student's Name _____

Student's Instrument: _____

Student's Group (circle one) Eagle Concert Symphonic Honors

Check one:

___ Yes, I would like my student to have private lessons.

___ No, my student will not be taking private lessons at this time.

___ My student is already scheduled for lessons with: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

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Parent/Student Acknowledgement

Student's Name _____

Please initial next to each item below indicating your understanding of the particular item:

Student Initials	Parent Initials	Expectations
		1. ALL STUDENTS: I understand that I must attend ALL rehearsals and all performances of my ensemble, and that repeated failures to do so may be grounds for being moved to a non-performing class (where possible).
		2. ALL STUDENTS: I have been informed of the calendar found at www.arborcreekband.com
		3. ALL STUDENTS: I understand that it is MY responsibility to inform the director when conflicts arise that might prevent me from being in attendance at a required event. I also understand that the directors will inform me within a reasonable amount of time if additional events beyond the ones listed on the band calendar must be scheduled.
		4. SYMPHONIC BAND, and HONORS BAND ONLY: I understand that I must attend my sectional rehearsal each week, and that repeated failures to do so will negatively affect my grade AND may jeopardize my placement in a performing band.
		5. ALL STUDENTS: I understand what constitutes an excused and unexcused absence from required events.
		6. ALL STUDENTS: I understand that improper behavior at any time will NOT be tolerated. I understand that any behavior that is not consistent with the LISD Student Code of Conduct of that is not conducive to good citizenship may result in disciplinary measures ranging from suspension from the extracurricular activities of the band up to, and including, dismissal from the band program altogether, along with any other appropriate measures through the school administration.
		7. ALL STUDENTS: I recognize the necessity of quality, daily practice in order to be successful as a musician and to fulfill my obligation to my peers within my ensemble. I also acknowledge my responsibility in documenting this practice time in accordance with procedures explained on page 11 of the handbook.
		8. ALL STUDENTS: I understand the procedures used to compute grades in band classes and know that I can access my grades at any time on Essembler.
		9. ALL STUDENTS: I understand the instructions given for having all materials in class each day and that instruments need to be taken home EVERY day so that I may practice correctly.
		10. ALL STUDENTS: I understand that I should schedule doctor, dentist, and orthodontist appointments at times when I am not involved in a rehearsal if at all possible. I further understand the importance of timing the installation or removal of braces as to not be in close proximity to performances or auditions.
		11. STUDENTS WITH SCHOOL-OWNED INSTRUMENTS: I acknowledge that I have been entrusted with the use and care of a school-owned instrument and will use it and care for it appropriately. Any damage beyond normal "wear-and-tear" will be my financial responsibility.
		12. ALL PARENTS: I authorize the Arbor Creek Band program and all of its agents to contact me via email regarding my child's progress or behavior and to provide me with important Arbor Creek Band information via email.
		13. ALL PARENTS: I authorize the Arbor Creek Band program and all of its agents to publicize information about my child to include: name, instrument, class, and photo (arborcreekband.com website and group photos). **This clause is to insure that we are able to release celebratory information about your child's achievements in newsletters AND to insure that we can publish his or her name in our concert programs. No personal information will EVER be released at ANY time!

I/we agree to abide by its expectations and policies the Arbor Creek Band Handbook.

Student Signature

Date

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

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