

Dear Band Parent,

The end of the year is rapidly approaching, which means that our Annual Band Contest/Fun Day will be here before you know it. The date of our contest is April 29. For our Annual Contest/Fun Day, we will be performing at the Music Across Texas Festival in Grand Prairie, TX.

The cost of the festival is \$30 and includes:

- Individual Contest Performance Fees
- Meal ticket
- Admission to Epic Waters

The trip must be paid in full by April 4. Some students may still need to pay for their band fees as well.

As this is an extra-curricular event, your child must be eligible according to UIL standards in order to participate. We cannot guarantee refunds for any student that is not eligible to attend.

A permission slip for the festival is attached. Every student must have a signed permission slip in order to attend the trip. Please be sure to fill out both sides of the form and return it by April 4.

Parents are welcome to watch the performance. Parents are responsible for their own transportation, food and entertainment. Symphonic Band performance time is 9:25 AM, and Wind Ensemble performs at 9:50. The address is 2970 Epic Place Grand Prairie, TX 75052.

Students should arrive to the middle school band hall on time for school so that we can leave on time. We will leave the venue at approximately 1:30. We should be back before school is dismissed.

Students should arrive to school in school acceptable shorts or jeans, and their band shirts. Students can wear swimsuits under their clothes. There will be changing facilities at Epic Waters, along with lockers that students can rent for a small fee. Students will need to bring a towel and sunscreen. Students will be required to ride the bus home in dry clothes.

Students that utilize the waterpark at Epic Waters will be required to wear swimsuits. Swimsuits should be modest. Acceptable swimsuits for ladies are one-piece swimsuits or two-piece swimsuits that completely cover the stomach. The acceptable swimwear for gentlemen is long swim shorts, while wearing a t-shirt whenever possible.

Don't forget about the upcoming Sounds of Spring Concert on April 28. <u>Students will wear school approved khaki pants for</u> this event along with their band polos. A separate letter will go home about the concert including details with time, location and ticket information.

Thank you for allowing your child to be a part of our successful program. We strongly believe that participation in a music program helps them strive for perfection in everything that life has to offer. Please feel free to call the band hall 972.427.6080 ext. 5619 or e-mail with any questions.

Thank You,

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Please see reverse side for payment information.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

As stated on the front page of this letter, the cost of the trip is \$30 and includes:

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- Admission to Epic Waters

Your student HAS PAID / HAS NOT PAID their band fee.

A total of ______ is due on April 4. This will complete the balance of the trip.

Please give us a call or e-mail with any questions you may have about the trip.

Students may pay for their trip by sending cash or check in an envelope to their band class. Checks should be made to Crandall ISD and include the payee's phone number and driver's license number.