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Dear Parents and Students:

You are receiving this letter because you are signed up for an instrumental music class at WMHS. The purpose of this letter is to make clear all of the supplies you will need for your class next year. These supplies include:

- Appropriate concert attire
- Warm-up books and method books
- Instrument accessories

All of you will need appropriate concert attire, listed below:

Men:

- White** Tuxedo shirt
http://www.bandshoppe.com/catalog/productDetail.do?p=Concert_Wear_Winged_Collar_Tuxedo_Shirt_White
- Black button-down dress shirt with collar (long sleeve)
- Black Bow tie http://www.bandshoppe.com/catalog/productDetail.do?p=Concert_Wear_Banded_Bow_Ties_CW126
- Black socks (not navy or dark blue)
- Black dress shoes (not sneakers or loafers. Think tux shoes!)
- Tux jacket (provided by WMHS)
- Tux pants (provided by WMHS)

Women: All black. Options include:

1. floor length or ankle length black dress
2. floor length or ankle length black skirt, black blouse
3. black dress pants, black blouse

Women should also wear black dress shoes.

Winds (Not strings) need to order a warm-up book that we use in class. This book is called “Foundations for Superior Performance” and can be ordered at www.kjos.com/band/foundations.html. Please order one book for your instrument. If you play clarinet, order a clarinet book. If you play trombone, order a trombone book, etc.

You all need a metronome for at-home practice.

All reed players: You will need a BOX (not one or two individual reeds) of reeds for your instrument. Please get van Doren brand, size 3 or 3.5. You also need a swab for your instrument.

All brass players will need valve oil AND slide oil/grease. We will be oiling valves and slides in class on a regular basis.

Percussionists will need the following supplies:

- Elementary Drum Method: Roy Burns
- Foundations for Superior Performance, Kjos http://www.kjos.com/sub_section.php?division=1&series=14
- RealFeel drum pad, 12” http://www.hqpercussion.com/real_feel.htm
- Concert Snare Sticks: Vic Firth American Custom SD1 General

Orchestra Members: You will need the following book:

Essential Elements: “Advanced Technique for Strings (for your specific instrument)

Please do not hesitate to call or email me with any questions. I’m looking forward to a successful beginning to the school year!
Tuxedo fitting night will be Wednesday the 26th from 6-9 pm. This is for all men to be fitted for their tux.

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Instrumental Music Dates 09-10

August 26: Tux Fitting Night. All men must come this night to get fitted for tuxes. Come to the band room. Any students involved in football this night should come as soon as possible after the game/practice. 9th grade percussionists please come get fitted even though you don't have class until the spring!

Freshmen: 6-7 pm
Sophomores: 6:45-7:30 pm
Juniors: 7:15-8:00 pm
Seniors: 7:45-8:15 pm

October 12: Instrumental Music Fall Concert, 7 pm (CB, WE, Adv Perc, ORCH)

November 10: Picture day. (CB, WE, Beg Perc, Adv Perc, Orch) **All ensembles** required to have their picture taken, including 9th grade percussionists. All students report to the band room at 2:30 pm. Parent pickup should be between 3:45 and 4:00 pm.

Dec 7: Instrumental Music Rehearsal 6-8 pm (CB, WE, Adv Perc)

Dec 8: Instrumental Music Winter Concert, 7 pm (CB, WE, Orch, Adv Perc)

March 1: Instrumental Music Rehearsal 6-8 pm (CB, WE, Beg Perc, Adv Perc)

March 3: Instrumental Music Festival Concert, 7 pm (CB, WE, Beg Perc, Adv Perc, Orch)

May 10: Instrumental Music Rehearsal 6-8 pm (CB, Beg Perc, WE, Adv Perc)

May 17: Instrumental Music Rehearsal 6-8 pm (CB, Beg Perc, WE, Adv Perc)

May 18: Instrumental Music Spring Concert I, 7 pm (CB, WE, Beg Perc, Adv Perc)

May 19: Instrumental Music Spring Concert II, 7 pm (Orch, Jazz Ens)

CB = Concert Band (mod 3A)

WE – Wind Ensemble (mod 1A)

Adv Perc = Advanced Percussion (mod 1B)

Beg Perc = Beginning Percussion (Spring mod 5)

Orch = Orchestra (mod 3B)