

April 26, 2016

Dear parents and supporters,

Thank you so much for those who are able to make it to out to New Jersey this year to support our student performers as they perform for the last time! I know that they will deeply appreciate seeing you in the stands.

As one can guess, there are many different moving parts that are required to make the trip to Wildwood successful. Several different things must happen to allow students the most enjoyable trip possible. We are very lucky to have band boosters who are able to assist us with cooking meals, chaperone our students and assist the staff with anything that we need.

As a general rule, we always look out for the students safety and we always want the best experience for the students. Parents and supporters-please understand the following:

- 1) While in Wildwood, the students are in the care of the instructors. You are NOT allowed to take your child anywhere without permission from the instructor. We are okay if you want to take your child out for lunch or dinner. However, it cannot interfere with our itinerary or rehearsals. We, the staff, are accountable and responsible for your children and must know where they are 100% of the time. The staff are the supervisors of the trip and the students on the trip, as a result of this being a school sponsored trip.
- 2) If your child makes a poor decision, all school rules apply. We will contact the necessary individuals to handle any situation.
- 3) Parents are not to chaperone the students or walk with the students unless they are board approved volunteers. The band boosters have discussed the need for our parents to become approved volunteers. If you are not board approved and wish to help, that is fine. However, you can not directly chaperone students, alone, around Wildwood. You may assist with preparing meals but you may not chaperone the students.
- 4) Students are on a very tight and strict schedule and itinerary that they will receive. Please abide by this schedule and understand that all times are subject to change.

As always, thank you for your support this season. I know that your children appreciate the support, as we do as well.

Musically yours,

Mr. Donath  
Middle School Band Director  
Assistant Marching Band Director  
Indoor Percussion Director

