



To: Parents of 5th Grade Students
From: Mr. Christopher Barbaro
RE: Percussion and the Nord Beginning Band
Date: Tuesday, August 30th, 2017

Dear Parents,

Your child has indicated that he/she would like to join the **NORD BEGINNING BAND** and play in the **PERCUSSION** Section. Because of the high numbers of interest, we need to be somewhat picky on how many to accept. If your child does not receive an audition acceptance, we ask that they begin on their 2nd choice of instrument. We also ask that if your child auditions and makes the Percussion section, that he/she accepts the invitation to be fair to the others that did not make it.

Tryouts for percussion will be held Wednesday and Thursday afternoon in the Band Room at Nord. **ONLY STUDENTS WHO RETURN THIS MEMO SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN WILL BE TESTED.** Results of the Audition will be posted at the parent meeting Thursday evening.



It is important that you, as a parent, attend the “**PARENT INFORMATION MEETING**” on **Thursday, August 31st at 6:30PM**. Students selected to participate in percussion will be required through RENTING or by OTHER MEANS to have a Percussion Kit which includes the following: Snare Drum, Snare Drum Stand, Sticks, Practice Pad, and a Snare Drum case (optional) for transporting. Students will also be required to purchase a lesson book. (this can be part of your rental program if renting)

In order for your child to be tested for Percussion, He or she MUST return this form to me TOMORROW morning, Wednesday, August 31st. I will collect them in the gym.

Thank you!

Christopher Barbaro
Amherst Director of Bands

Student's Name: _____

Homeroom: _____

Parent's Signature: _____