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Greetings from the Band Room!

I hope you are enjoying a healthy and peaceful summer. Please read through this information carefully *you* should be sure to email me if you have any questions. If you are new to Milan High School, you will need to use your *school* email address to access some of the information.

Until Schoology is up and running, information will be <u>posted</u> on the band's high school web page. When you go there, you should see that fall performance information is already up!

Music can be accessed by using your school email account. If you do not see the correct part for anything found in the folder, please contact me by email. <u>Paper copies of all of this music will be available to you at our first rehearsal</u>.

Personal items you need this fall:

A flip folder (see <u>here</u> for an example). They can be purchased through many sources, but make sure you have one of your own. Flutes, get a <u>flute</u> flip folder. You will notice when you look at the link that it has a strap to attach to your arm. All other wind players, please get a <u>lyre</u> for your instrument. When you click on that link, you should see that there are a variety of lyres for different instruments: it is important that you have the right model.

Tech fabric shirts for your uniform and marching band gloves will be available from Mrs. Upton for \$24.00. Juniors and seniors, you should have these items already. Percussionists, you do not need to purchase gloves. Please email Mrs. Upton with the size t-shirt you would like to have: remember that it is tech fabric to fit smoothly under your uniform. All other uniform pieces will be checked out with the help of the drum majors and Tri-M members. The tech shirt will also be used on its own in warm weather, so it is important to have the correct one. Uniforms, both concert and marching, are worn with solid black shoes and solid black socks.

Early rehearsals for the fall season will be held on the following dates in the high school band room between 5:30 and 7:30: Tuesday, August 17 Wednesday, August 18 Thursday, August 19 Tuesday, August 24

School begins on August 30; you can find the full fall performance schedule here.

What should you do if you have a family/work/athletic conflict? Email me directly (<u>uptona@milanareaschools.org</u>). The music department works very hard to avoid conflicts once the school year begins, but they sometimes happen. Should you need help obtaining the equipment above, do the same thing: email me. I am looking forward to seeing all of you soon!

I know that school schedules sometimes need adjusting, too: if you know of anyone who may have missed this information or should have band on their schedules, feel free to share this with them.