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## 2017/2018 P.S. 321 BAND CONTRACT 5<sup>th</sup> GRADE ADVANCED BAND

September 29, 2017

Dear Band Families,

I am pleased that your child will be continuing on to Advanced Band for the 2017/2018 school year!

**The first day of class is Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.** - The entire ensemble will meet in the lunchroom at **3:00pm**. School issued instruments will be distributed on this day, not before. Students need to bring the music instruction books they used in last year's Beginning Band to class. Anyone missing their book should notify Courtney. Children who will be playing their own instrument in class this year should bring it on the first day as well.

Band dismissal will be from the front lobby and children **MUST** be picked up at 4:05 pm, unless you have given them written permission to walk home (below).

5<sup>th</sup> grade students will build on the instruction they received last year. **They will have lessons every Monday that school is in session from October 16<sup>th</sup> through May 30<sup>th</sup>.** We will hold a family/band faculty night in mid October, (date TBD), where parents and students will be able to meet with their band instructors outside of class and talk about this year's band program. In the meantime, please mark your calendars now with the 2 Concert dates!:

**WINTER CONCERT: Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm**  
**SPRING CONCERT: Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm**

The band fee for the school year is \$550.00, payable by check or money order to the P.S. 321 P.T.A. You may opt to pay half now and the remaining balance in January, 2018. Children will be able to take home their instruments on the first day of class, as long as the signed contract and payment have been received. Each student will be issued starting supplies (cleaning rods, reeds, etc.). **They will use the same music instruction book as last year.** Eventually, families will be expected to provide supplies like reeds and cork grease, and to replace lost items like instruction books and cleaning rods.

Regular and punctual attendance is mandatory to stay in the program. This is a year-long commitment! **Please be sure your child will attend each week from October 16<sup>th</sup> through May 30<sup>th</sup>.** Additionally, students are expected to practice regularly at home and come to class prepared with their instruments and music so the weekly group rehearsals may be highly productive!

Please indicate acceptance of the terms of this contract by signing and returning one copy, with your payment, to the Kids Club folder in the PTA mailbox in the main office by **Friday October 6<sup>th</sup>**.

Thank you! Questions? Email me at [cgilbert@ps321.info](mailto:cgilbert@ps321.info)

**Courtney Gilbert**  
**After School Coordinator**

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Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address (Please PRINT CLEARLY!)** \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Name and telephone of person(s) authorized to pick up your child \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ My child has permission to walk home by him/herself.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will need scholarship assistance and have visited Guidance Counselor Ben Halioua or Jon Alvarez for approval. I have attached my check or money order for \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Guidance Initials \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_