



Dear 6<sup>th</sup> grade band parent,

Good Day! I wanted to welcome you and your student to the MIGHTY BUFFALO BAND PROGRAM!! I am so excited your student has chosen to be in band and it is my hope, and goal that they continue all the way through their senior year!

For those that have already been in band starting in the first semester and to those just now joining us, here are the details of how 6<sup>th</sup> grade band will function. All band students have been placed on an instrument that suits their natural abilities. There are some music supplies needed to insure success on their particular instrument. All band students will need a band shirt and their own band book. I have already ordered the shirts and books so all that is needed is payment sent payable to Lone Oak Band. The other supplies will be more specific to their particular instrument. I think the easiest way to purchase these supplies is through me. Attached you will find a list of supplies and the amount to be sent to school to cover those costs. If you have any question or concerns in your ability to pay for these supplies, just let me know. I never want financial reasons to hinder your student's participation in band.

At the current time, I am providing most of the instruments. In doing so however; we are limited to who can play certain ones because of availability. If your student plays flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, trumpet, and trombone; there is the option of "renting to own" an instrument from McKay's Music in Sulphur Springs. There are many cheap instruments available on sites such as Amazon or Craig's List that look like a good deal but are in fact not of the quality I would desire for the band program. If you do decide to venture out on your own to purchase an instrument, please consult with me so we can make sure you get the best deal. I highly encourage purchase of personal instruments but would never let that be the deciding factor if a student can participate in band.

Instruments that will always be provided are Euphoniums(Baritone), Tuba, and French Horn. All that is needed in playing these is purchasing your own cleaning supplies and possibly your own mouthpiece.

As far as Percussion is concerned.....I do require students to purchase their own stick bag which contains all the sticks and mallets needed for percussion. I do

not require purchase of a "Bell/Drum Pad Kit", but I do recommend this because I have limited ones available at school. A "Bell/Drum pad Kit" includes a case that holds a small practice set of bells, drum pad, and stands to hold up each instrument. If you are interested in purchasing your own personal kit, let me know and I will provide some recommendations. Otherwise, we play on the "real" mallet and percussion instruments during the school day. (Xylophone, Marimba, Bells, and Snare)

I communicate through Remind, Email, Facebook and our Band website linked on the LOISD website. <http://loisd-high.ss11.sharpschool.com/band>

Everything I send home or email out will be posted on this website link. FYI- the website looks very different from a smart device. You won't see the charms or calendar link unless you click on "Band" which causes a drop down menu to appear.

Please do the following upon going to the website:

1. Find the permission to travel form and medical authorization forms. To save on print paper, please print these out and send to school. Let me know if need hard copies and I will send some home.
2. Find the directions on how to log into your student's CHARMS account to check and/or change any personal information I have on file for you and your band student. (make note of the problems using charms on an IPHONE or IPAD. this is also listed on the web site.)
3. Bookmark this site and make notice of the calendar. This will have more middle school events listed as those dates get closer.

I have added most everyone into our Remind for 6<sup>th</sup> grade band class. Please sign up if you find you are not receiving texts in addition to email I send out. Text to: 81010 and then message: @loneoak6 Remind works better if you download the app or use the website from a desktop.

If you ever need to reach me, my email is [jparker@loisd.net](mailto:jparker@loisd.net). Our Facebook page is @Loisdband.

Jessica Parker

Supply List: I will order all these items for you. Just send payment to school (checks payable to Lone Oak band) Most have already paid for the band T-shirt. If unsure if you have paid for the shirt already, just send me an email and I will let you know.

**Percussion:** Band book-\$15.00/ Stick bags with mallet and drum sticks \$70.00/Band Shirt \$15:00 Optional: Bell/drum pad kit. Email for more info.

**All other instruments: Band Book \$10.00 and Band T-Shirt \$15.00**

**Additional supplies:**

**-Flute:** Swab to keep instrument clean inside- \$8.00

**-Clarinet/Alto Sax:** swab to keep instrument clean inside \$10.00/ cork grease \$5.00/ reeds \$3.00 per reed.

**-Trombone:** tuning slide cream, slide oil/cream and small water bottle \$10.00

**-Euphonium, Tuba, Trumpet, French horn:** valve oil and tuning slide oil \$10.00

Please don't hesitate to let me know of any questions or concerns you have. Again, I never want money to be the cause of not being in band. Just let me know of any need or situation so we will work it out.

**\*\*You can start sending in payment as soon as you get this information\*\***

# PERMISSION TO TRAVEL FORM

Acknowledgement of Responsibility and Permission for Student Participation in school-sponsored trips.

I agree to allow my child, \_\_\_\_\_ (child's name) to travel with a group or individual associated Lone Oak ISD on the trip(s) indicated below. I understand that while student safety is a high priority for the district, under state law, the school is not responsible for medical costs associated with a student injury.

I expressly waive all claims for medical expenses, loss of services, or other claims, and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Lone Oak ISD, its Trustees, employees, and agents from all claims made against it/them on behalf of my child.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the District, its Trustees, and employees, and agents from all claims made to 3<sup>rd</sup> parties against it/them which result from my child's actions on the trip.

I understand that Lone Oak ISD, its trustees, employees, and agents are not waiving any sovereign or governmental immunity which it or they have under Texas law.

I have read and understand this release and sign it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance. This release applies to the trip(s) to be taken by Lone Oak ISD per specific information below:

Date(s): 2017-2018 school year and summer of 2018

Place(s): Football games for the 2017 Marching Season, Marching contests, Parades, UIL contests, Invitation concert contests, band trips.

Group: Lone Oak H.S. Band and/or Lone Oak MS. Bands

Mode of Transportation: School district bus(s) and/or minivan(s)

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND FIELD TRIP FORM

Student \_\_\_\_\_  
DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_  
Work \_\_\_\_\_

Other Contact \_\_\_\_\_  
Home \_\_\_\_\_  
Work \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Information and/or Restrictions (allergies to insect bites,  
hypoglycemia, etc.):

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I consent to and authorize the Lone Oak ISD personnel and their designee to take whatever reasonable steps he/she deems necessary in order to provide emergency medical care for my child. I further agree to permit my child to be transported to a medical facility by ambulance or other commercial vehicle.

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Parent/Guardian Signature Date

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