



Gladewater Middle School Band

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Gladewater 6th Grade Band parents and students,

May 10th – SoundPost Music Festival. We will perform at Canton high school then go to Splash Kingdom Water Park also in Canton. This band incentive trip is a privilege and is earned not guaranteed. We need to leave the school by 8:30am. Students will come to school like normal but will come to the band hall for first period. We perform at 10:30am at Canton High School. We will then go to Splash Kingdom Water Park in Canton. We will be back in Gladewater before school is out for students to ride the bus home. No chaperones are needed for this trip.

Our students have been informed of the requirements to go to our SoundPost Music Festival Trip since the beginning of the year. They include:

1. The student must be academically eligible (no pass-no play).
2. The student must wear blue jeans and a black shirt (like a school spirit shirt but any black shirt, collared or not, will work) on the day of the trip.
3. The student must pass off all required music.
4. The student must not owe any money to the school or to the band including trip money. **The trip fee is \$25.** Cash is preferred if possible. Checks can be made out to GMS Band.
5. The student must have turned in the attached medical/permission form signed by a parent by the due date (If you have already filled one of these out for the band this year, I do not need it again unless your medical information has changed). Copies of the medical form can be gotten from Mr. Pilcher or on the band website.
6. The student must have fewer than 9 entries on their discipline card. The directors keep a card box in which a record of poor behavior is kept. Misbehavior for a substitute is counted as two entries. Having gum, candy, not having an instrument or music for class, talking/playing out of turn, being tardy, bus write-ups, and days of ISS are counted as one entry. Feel free to call and ask how many entries are on your child's card.
7. The student must have never been suspended or sent to DAEP during the school year.

Appropriate attire for this trip will be jeans and a black shirt of some kind (like a Gladewater spirit shirt). They will need to wear their swimsuit under their jeans and shirt for quick and easy changing for the water park. School policy dictates that Ladies need to wear a one-piece swimsuit. They may also wear shorts and a shirt over their swimsuit if they prefer. Guys will need to wear standard swim trunks and may also wear a shirt if preferred. Students will also need to bring a towel and plenty of sunscreen for this trip. They will change back into their dry contest clothes after we are done at the park for the ride home so make sure they have a Brookshires bag or something to put their wet clothes into. Included with their park ticket is a meal token. Each student will be able to eat lunch with their meal token. It is suggested to bring some extra spending money for the purchase of extra drinks, snacks, and souvenirs. Please sign and send back the attached permission form as soon as possible.

Feel free to contact me with any questions about this trip!

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6th Grade Band SoundPost Music Festival Trip Permission Form

My child, _____, has permission to travel with the Gladewater Middle School Band Directors to attend the SoundPost Music Festival at Canton High School then attend Splash Kingdom Water Park in Canton, Texas on May 10th, 2024.

Parent signature: _____