ALL WALL BAND

Dear 5th Grade Students and Parents/Guardians,

We are thrilled to announce the return of the 5th Grade All Wall Band!

This group will be composed of students from all four elementary schools. There are many great things in store for the All Wall Band this year including a Spring Performance with the Wall Intermediate School Band. We hope many of you will audition for this ensemble!

<u>Who</u>

The All Wall Band is an audition-only ensemble of students in grade 5 brought together from Allenwood, Central, Old Mill, West Belmar. These students have a talent and passion for instrumental music and wish to pursue an Instrumental Band opportunity above and beyond that which is offered during the school-day music program.

<u>What</u>

Participation in this ensemble is based on an audition; students are scored on the following categories: simple scale(s), percussion rudiments, a short musical excerpt, sight reading. The Band will prepare a wide variety of quality band literature, with the ultimate goal of presenting one exciting performance. Our home concert will be presented at the Wall Intermediate School Auditorium on Tuesday, May 21st.

<u>Where</u>

Auditions and rehearsals are held at Wall Intermediate School Auditorium. All elementary school students must be transported to and from the Intermediate School by a parent/guardian.

<u>When</u>

Auditions: 4:00pm-5:30pm - Wednesday, January 22nd & Thursday, January 23rd (Please see audition registration info below) Rehearsals: Wednesdays beginning January 29th - May 7th, 4:00-5:00 PM (schedule is subject to change as necessary) Performance: Tuesday, May 13th - Wall Intermediate School 7:00pm

<u>Why</u>

-To provide additional Band experiences for Elementary students

-To provide excellence in instrumental music through high-quality, select repertoire in varied genres

-To develop musicianship and an appreciation of Band Repertoire

-To promote social connections between students from five different schools through music

-To have fun!

***Register for auditions at: <u>All Wall Band Registration Form</u> due by January 17th. Once you choose your audition date you will receive a time slot for your audition. Please indicate if you have any special time concerns.

PLEASE REACH OUT TO:

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