

Dear Broadwater Families:

Hello from the music room! Your students are off to an excellent start this year in music and I can't wait to see what they accomplish as the year rolls on.

It may only be the early part of October, but it is time to put our annual Christmas concert on the radar: **Friday, December 13th, at 1:00 at the Helena Middle School auditorium.** Just like last year, we are having our program at the auditorium. We tried it as an experiment last year and it worked out so well that we decided to perform there again this year.

What does this mean for families? It means that you will no longer have to reserve tickets for the performance, like you did when we housed the program at Broadwater. There will only be **one** performance at 1:00 on the 13th of December. It also means that you are not limited to bringing only four family members to the program. There is still a limited amount of seating in the auditorium, so please keep that in mind. Also please keep in mind that there will be *no open dress rehearsal* for families to attend. The only performance the students will be putting on will be at the HMS auditorium on December 13th at 1:00.

Even though we've been to this particular rodeo once before, there are still some bumps in the road that we are trying to work out. Please bear with us and be patient while we iron all the details out.

Students will come to school like normal on the morning of the 13th. Busses will pick students up to take them to HMS in time for them to take their seats. The program will start promptly at **1:00**. Please note that last year, the auditorium doors were locked at all times; after about 1:15, you will likely not be able to get into the auditorium, so please make every effort to arrive on time. Parking is limited at HMS, so remember to factor that in as well. After the program is over, **ALL** students will be bussed back to Broadwater for dismissal. Please note: **no students will be released at HMS for safety and security reasons**.

Concert attire will remain the same as it has in the past; please see the second page of this letter for the concert attire for each grade level. As always, if you are having difficulty finding these items, please let us know. We have a small stash of things at school for the kids to wear and we are always happy to help out as we are able.

See you in December! Musically Yours, Jennifer Skogley **Kindergarten:** Holiday dress clothes (no jeans or t-shirts with screening, please!)

First Grade: Holiday dress clothes (no jeans or t-shirts with screening, please!)

Second Grade (Mrs. Sichelstiel): Holiday dress clothes (no jeans or t-shirts with screening, please!)

Second/Third (Mr. Feuerstein): Holiday dress clothes (no jeans or t-shirts with screening, please!)

Third Grade (Mrs. Barta): Holiday dress clothes (no jeans or t-shirts with screening, please!)

Fourth (Mrs. Higgins): khaki bottoms (skirt or pants, no blue jeans); **green tops** (no t-shirts with screening on the front). Any combination of khaki and green is perfectly acceptable.

Fourth/Fifth (Mrs. Kingston): black bottoms (skirt or pants; DARK black jeans are OK); **red tops** (no t-shirts with screening on the front). Any combination of red and black is perfectly acceptable.

Fifth (Ms. Hovley): black bottoms (skirt or pants; DARK black jeans are OK); **white tops** (no t-shirts with screening on the front). Any combination of black and white is perfectly acceptable.

Primary Montessori: Holiday dress clothes (no jeans or t-shirts with screening, please!)

Upper Montessori: black bottoms (skirt or pants; DARK black jeans are OK); **green tops** (no t-shirts with screening on the front). Any combination of black and green is perfectly acceptable.

Some ideas of stores to check for concert attire items include Target, Walmart and Hobby Lobby.