

Macopin Music Department

November 12, 2018

Dear Seventh and Eighth Grade Band and Choir Parents/Guardians,

On Friday, June 7, 2019, the seventh and eighth grade bands and choirs will be attending a Middle School Concert Band and Choir Festival at Dorney Park in Allentown, PA. This Festival provides an opportunity for Middle School musicians to be critiqued by top judges in the music field. The bands and choirs will perform and have the opportunity to receive a brief critique from the adjudicators. All bands and choirs will receive a rating with taped comments and a trophy based on their level of competition. This Festival is being provided to foster and promote quality music education in our schools.

In order to participate, your child must be maintaining at least a “B” (83) average in Band and Choir and must attend their Spring Concert. Students will be excused from classes for the day, but are responsible for all missed work. We are scheduled to leave Macopin at 8:00am (Students can ride their regular morning buses) and will be returning to Macopin at 8:00pm. Students should be dressed in their Macopin Music t-shirt and long style (Bermuda) navy or jean shorts or capris. Student behavior and dress should positively reflect Macopin Middle School, and the community of West Milford.

The cost per student to attend this festival is \$100.00. This cost includes their admission into the park, chartered transportation, the Macopin Music t-shirt for their performance, and all the Festival fees. Again this year we will be offering the opportunity to make payments. Families can pay \$40.00 to reserve their child’s spot and then pay the balance (\$60.00) by the final turn in date. This is our thirteenth year taking the students to a Festival. We feel they go above and beyond, and deserve to be rewarded for all their hard work with a day of friendly musical competition and some fun!

Please sign and return the following permission slip with the initial payment (\$40.00) by December 17th, 2018. Final payments (\$60.00) will be due on March 1st, 2019. Please make checks payable to “Macopin Middle School”. If you have any questions please feel free to email your child’s band or choir director. This Festival will be a great experience for your child. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation!

Musically Yours,
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Please return the following form to your child’s Band or Choir director no later than **December 17th, 2018 to reserve their spot. If your child participates in both Band AND Choir they should return the forms to his/her Band Director.**

