Dear Fifth Grade Parent:

Soon, your child will be a 6th grader at Crystal River Middle School. All 6th grade students are required to take ELA (English/Language Arts), Math, Science, US History, PE and one elective course.

The elective is the only course that requires the student to make a choice. Students may choose the elective rotation, or they may choose band. The elective wheel is a rotation of courses (i.e. Art, Technology, Business, etc.). Band is a yearlong course that is taken in place of the elective wheel.

Band membership represents a commitment. It is both an academic subject and an extra-curricular activity. As a subject, it requires documented practice time. As an extra-curricular activity, it involves after-school time. The after-school time is minimal for 6th grade band.

Instruments are selected in the fall at a special “instrument night.” They can be obtained through a rent-to-own contract that will be made available that night. Of course, private arrangements for instruments can be made if you choose.

Please discuss the option of enrolling in Band with your child and decide together if it is your choice. **If so, we request that you complete the form below and return it Crystal River Middle School, ASAP.** This information will allow us to schedule your child for Band before school begins.

We are looking forward to getting to know you and your child at Crystal River Middle School.

Sincerely,

Marcia Brown
Lanna Wentworth
School Counselors

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My child (please print), _______________________________ a student at, __________________________

has my permission to enroll in beginning band.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date