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Dear Parents of Sixth Grade Students,

We are very pleased that sixth grade students will again be provided the opportunity to participate in our band program this year. Band class or general music will be the student's music special.

Irwin will be on a three day rotation this year. All specials will meet once during the rotation. These classes will meet during the school day. Students enrolling in band **WILL BE EXPECTED TO REMAIN IN BAND FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR**. This is a *YEAR LONG COMMITMENT*. No experience is needed to be in the Irwin Mustang Band! We teach everything.

Our first concert is scheduled for December 11, 2008. The method book will be **ACCENT ON ACHIEVEMENT**, by John O'Reily and Mark Williams. The book and approved band instruments may be obtained at four recommended stores: Edwards Music, 868-1185; Lockey Music; 488-9053; Music & Arts, 864-8808; Cape Fear Music Center, 480-2302. The Rental/Purchase Plan has proven to be a popular way of obtaining a band instrument. Final deadline for obtaining a band instrument is September 19, 2008.

If you are interested in having your child participate in the program, please complete the information below and return to the band director. If you have any questions concerning the program, please feel free to contact us.

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