

COLQUITZ END OF YEAR BAND INFO

First of all, thank you to those who contributed to the retirement gift that was presented at the concert last week. It will indeed be used and enjoyed.

There is **NO BAND 6** on Thursday, June 13th, due to the concert the night before. In-school classes continue until the end of the year and there is plenty to do. Often classes are doing end of year activities.

Next week are the traditional **BAND BREAKFASTS**. Band breakfasts are when students each bring some food (maybe enough for 3-4 people), I provide the drinks, and we watch a musical. The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, June 18 – Band 8

Wednesday, June 19th – Band 7

Thursday, June 20th – Band 6

The musicals we will be watching are different for each grade. The Grade 6 class will be watching “The Music Man” (G -1962). It’s a great story about a con-man who travels the rails selling “boys bands” to isolated towns by convincing parents that their boys are in trouble and then skips town on the last train with everyone’s money. But, as is the case in all musicals of this era, he falls in love with the piano teacher and everything ends happily. It’s really fun to have great discussions about gender expectations and cultural appropriation. The only swear word in the whole show is “great honk”.

Band 7 will be watching “Matilda” which is rated PG. I leave it to you to look up the specifics on IMDB parent’s guide, but the adult caretaker is a bit scary. Other things include “alcohol is seen on a shelf” and “the word hell is used, without the h”. These mornings are optional if you choose to not allow your child to see this movie.

Band 8 will be watching either Hairspray or Matilda. Hairspray deals with racism and you can read above for Matilda. These mornings are optional if you choose to not allow your child to see these movies.

RETURNS – I have been collecting band books already and students who have not returned their book will be charged a \$10 replacement fee. They can come and look in my inventory to see if their book was returned by someone else. I will collect instruments during classes on Wednesday or Thursday this week as they need to be cleaned and inventoried and possibly used for switch band

SWITCH BAND- Switch band is for students who do not play a jazz instrument but would like to join jazz band on traditional instruments (sax, trumpet, trombone, piano, bass, guitar, drums). I provide the instrument and the book and students come for lunch hours all next week.

I am sure there will be more info coming but I wanted to get this out today.

Thanks
Kelly