**CONCERT PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT**

Dear Seventh and Eighth Grade Band Parents,

We are very excited about this upcoming performance opportunity! The West End 7th/8th Grade Band will participate in the Middle Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association (MTSBOA) Concert Performance Assessment (CPA) at the beginning of March. This event will serve three purposes:

1. The Band will be judged by a panel of highly qualified adjudicators and given a rating for their performance.
2. The Band will participate in sight reading where they will perform a piece of music for the first time and be given a rating for their performance.
3. The Band will have an opportunity to show the community and the MNPS district what a wonderful job they do and the high performance standard we have at West End.

**Performance:** This is a weeklong event held at MTSU in Murfreesboro, TN. The dates are the week of March 7-11. Our 7th/8th grade band will perform on one of these dates with date & time to be announced closer to the event.

**Dress:** Students will wear a white collared shirt with black pants and black socks with black dress shoes. Have your child bring a change of clothes because the students will be returning to class after the event.

In preparation for our performance, the expectations of the students will be high. Each student will be required to pass-off their music for Mrs. Jolly. There will be time in class to pass-off as well as time during morning band (M, W-F – 8:00-8:40). Only students who are prepared for performance will be attending this event. Thank you in advance for encouraging your child to practice outside of class.

Classroom behavior and rehearsal etiquette expectations will remain high as well. This will allow for effective and efficient rehearsal preparation for an important performance. Only students who are in good standing will be attending this event.

We want to make a memorable and positive impression to the community and to the district this year. Please contact me with any questions that you may have.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Julie Jolly, Director

West End Bands

\*Permission slips with performance time & date will be sent home with students as soon as that information is made available (likely end of Feb.-early March).