Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Concert/Symphony Band or Wind Ensemble! I am overcome with excitement about the new school year with you and your child. I look forward to excelling to new heights as an ensemble and as individual musicians.

In Concert Band this year, we will explore music theory, history, fundamentals, and various techniques. The students will acquire the skills to play Grade 4 music and audition for All-District Band on their instrument.

Students are asked to bring the following supplies to class everyday:

Guardian Signature:

- Instrument (in proper case w/ all parts)
- Value Oil/Cork Grease
- Cleaning Swab
- Reeds (if reed instrument)
- Folder (provided)
- Music (provided)

My grading policy:

My homework policy is very simple. Practice! Practice! Every once in a while there will be an assignment to do on music theory or music history but it will not be too much to handle.

I grade on a 7 point grading scale

10%- Homework 100%-93% A 92%-85% B 20%- Participation 30%- Performances 84%-77% C 15%- Quizzes 76%-70% D 25%- Tests 69% and below F We will have 4 performances this year, 2 per semester. I urge every parent/guardian to attend and to bring friends and love ones as well. Your attendance to performances is very important and I hope that you make it a priority to attend as many of the performances as possible. Throughout the year, I encourage you to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. You can call me at (704) 606-7288, send me a letter with your student to school, or e-mail me at devinw@live.unc.edu. Furthermore, I am looking forward to a great year with your student! Thank you in advance for your concern, support, and cooperation throughout the school year. Sincerely, **Devin White** Student Name: _____ Guardian Name: