Dear 7th/8th Grade Band Parents,

It was great to see so many of you at the Holiday Performance this December. Your support of your young musician's musical growth as well as your support of the Hotchkiss Music Program is invaluable! I hope you were able to have a restful break and a great start to your new year.

I'm writing to let you know about the upcoming performances this spring.

Last year we participated in an event called Young People's Band Concert and it was a huge success. We're excited to be able to participate again this year! This is a great opportunity for our students to meet and play music with other young musicians. In addition to playing music they'll get a short break in the day and we'll get to spend some time at the Ouray Hot Springs!

We have some funds in the band account this year so I'm excited to announce that the school will be able to pay for every 7th/8th grade band student to go, this includes transportation, lunch (Subway), and the Ouray Hot Springs fee. We will be getting pizza on the return. Please plan to pay the HK8 office \$5 to help cover the cost of the pizza. See below for more details on this event as well as other upcoming concerts.

- 1. Thursday, February 14th -Young People's Band Concert Festival in Ridgway
 - a. This is an all day event. We will leave HK8 at 6:45 a.m. Please have your child at the activities parking lot at 6:40 a.m.
 - b. Rehearsals and the concert will be at the 4-H center in Ridgway
 - i. Address: 22739 Highway 550, Ridgway, CO 81432
 - ii. Concert 4:30 p.m. Hope you can join!!! If you come to the concert and want to drive your child home, make sure to sign out with me prior to leaving. Thank you for adhering to this policy. If you aren't able to attend, plan to pick your student up at the K8 around 7:00. This time may fluctuate so please be in contact with your student.
 - c. Ouray Hot Springs
 - i. Address: 1220 Main St, Ouray, CO 81427
- 2. Thursday, March 14^{th} Middle School Band/Choir Concert at HK8 6:00 p.m. Call Time 5:45 p.m.
- 3. Monday, May $20^{\rm th}$ Middle School Band/Choir Concert at HK8. 6:00 p.m. Call Time 5:45 p.m.

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Parent Name (print)	•
Parent Signature	

Checklist

Please use this checklist to make sure you are prepared for our trip! Woohoo!

- o Instrument
- o Instrument accessories (3 reeds, valve oil, mallets, etc.)
- Music binder with all of your music organized. Jazz band students: make sure you also bring your jazz band music!
- Nice clothes for the concert (black/white)
- o Swimsuit
- o Towel
- Some type of bag to put your wet suit/towel in so that it doesn't get your other clothes wet.
- o Water Bottle
- Last year it was a little muddy walking from the parking lot to the hot springs, make sure you have good shoes.
- Temperatures may fluctuate so make sure you bring clothing layers so that you are comfortable.
- o Smile and a positive hard-working attitude ©