

Fowler MS Beginning Band Music Festival Performance

Sandy Lake Park (Carrollton)

Friday, April 20th

Who: All Fowler Middle School Beginning Band students who are academically eligible.

What: Our first FULL BAND CONTEST where we will be judged!

Where: Sandy Lake Amusement Park is in Carrollton and is one-tenth the size of Six-Flags.

The rides are SAFE for the kids. There will be NO swimming or riding the “paddle boat” ride.

We have two MANDATORY rehearsals for this festival that have been on the band calendar since August.

Required Rehearsals: *Wednesday, April 18th AND, Thursday, April 19th*

Fowler MS Band Hall – Time: 3:45-5:15pm

There is no transportation provided home after these rehearsals.

Please arrange transportation now. (car pooling, etc.)

These rehearsals are critical and required for a grade and to be allowed to go on the trip!

Performance Day: *Friday, April 20th*

Arrive at FMS Band hall at **8:25am (Do not go to your 1st period class!)**

Do not bring your backpacks to school, you will not need them.

But you will need something to read when we return to Fowler 8th period.

PLEASE TURN IN ANY HOMEWORK DUE FRIDAY to your teachers BEFORE SCHOOL

Depart for Sandy Lake at 9:00am, Enjoy the Park from 9:45am-11:15am (don't eat yet).

11:15am - be at the buses to warm-up for the contest. Contest Warm-up at 11:50am.

Perform for the Judges at 12:10pm

Parents are welcome to come and watch! - Note: This contest ALWAYS runs AHEAD of schedule

Enjoy the Park! – 12:30pm – 1:30pm (Awards Presentation; 1:00pm)

Depart for Fowler MS at 1:30pm

Arrive at FMS Band hall at **2:15pm** - You must attend your 8th Period class.

What to Wear: Fowler Band T-Shirt (tucked in), tennis shoes, shorts
but the shorts length must meet FMS dress code – jeans and capris are acceptable.

Transportation: By FMS School Bus

What to Bring: Your instrument and your music

Money: When you paid your band fee at the beginning of the school year we charged you \$20 to cover some Sandy Lake food and ride tickets we will give you at the park. But, you will want to bring additional money for food and rides (\$15-\$20).

You are welcome to bring a sack lunch to save money, but they must not be “perishable” food (no mayo, etc.)

We will have a LARGE TRUCK for large instruments.

Bring your sunscreen- NO FRYING!! - Don't bring anything you don't want to lose!

WE are bringing over 160 students and are taking 5 buses, we need 8-10 parents to ride a bus!

Please REPLY to this email if you can be at Fowler a 8:30am-

If driving yourself to be in the audience, there may be a \$2.00 per person charge for cars to enter the park.

Sandy Lake Amusement Park is located at

Interstate 35 and 1800 Sandy Lake road, North Dallas, Carrollton, TX.

I-35 Exit 444, one mile south of the President George Bush Turnpike (190 Toll Road).

Additional Calendar Reminder:

Beginning Band Spring Concert is Tuesday, May 1st at 6:00pm in the FMS Gym (students arrive 5:30pm).

Like Sandy Lake, there will be ONE FINAL BAND practice on Monday, April 30th from 3:45pm-5:15pm.

This is because we are adding additional songs for the final concert.

Beginning Jazz Band will perform on May 1st but also May 21st at the 7th-8th Jazz Concert @ FMS - 5:35pm