



The Scholars' Academy

An Accelerated College Preparatory School for Grades 6-12
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Principal
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Saturday, October 18, 2008

Dear Band Parents,

Reminder: Please mark these important dates on your calendar!

1. Rehearsal for Winter Concert – Week of Monday, December 15, 2008
2. Winter Concert - Thursday, December 18, 2008
3. Queens County St. Patrick's Day Parade - Saturday, March 7, 2009
4. NYSSMA - May 1 and 2, 2009

All band performances are mandatory for the following reasons:

1. Your child will showcase his or her talents for the community.
2. Performances in music are tantamount to academic exams.
3. Your child will renew his or her sense of commitment to his or her peers.
4. Your child will practice more in preparation for this event.

Acceptable excuses are limited to medical emergencies and religious observances, and must be submitted in writing one week prior to the event. Medical excuses must be submitted immediately upon the student's return to school. Excuses such as family vacations, birthday parties, babysitting, and work commitments will not be accepted. **Any unexcused absence will result in a fifteen point deduction from the student's original grade for the course.**

Sectional Rehearsal Schedule

I have scheduled sectional rehearsals to better prepare your child for these performances and enhance his or her learning. I have attached a copy of the mandatory sectionals that will take place on a weekly or bi-weekly basis either before school or during the first or second half of a child's lunch period.

Thank you for your support of your child's musical growth.

Sincerely,
Mr. A. Leicht
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P.S. If you have any fundraising ideas for the Winter Concert or would like to sell concert tickets, please contact Mr. A. Leicht via e-mail.