



BENTON MIDDLE SCHOOL



Visual and Performing Arts Magnet

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Dear Benton Music Parents,

I am very excited to announce that Orchestra, Advanced Concert Band, and Beginning Concert Band are registered to perform on Friday, May 12, 2017 at Forum Music Festival in Anaheim. This event will give our ensembles an opportunity to perform in front of a panel of professional music adjudicators. After our performance we will receive an award for participating and enjoy a day at Knott's Berry Farm. I would like to take advantage of this great opportunity and expose our students to this performance venue.

The total donation cost for the Forum Festival is \$65 per student (If your child has a Knott's season pass, the donation cost is \$40). This includes transportation, Festival registration fees, and Knott's Berry Farm admission. Please turn in donation cost to the Main Office (checks payable to Benton ASB), no later than Friday, Feb 24th. Only one donation is required per participating student, regardless of how many ensembles they are in.

Students will perform at Forum Festival Friday May 12th and go to Knott's on Saturday May 13th. The tentative time frame for the performance on Friday May 12th will be during school hours and your child will be back before the school day ends. Parents are welcome and encouraged to come to the performance. The tentative time frame for the trip to Knott's is from 9a.m. to 9 p.m. Students will be transported by bus from Benton to Forum Festival and Knott's Berry Farm, then back to Benton. As we get closer to May 12th, I will give a more detailed schedule. Thank you for making this trip possible.

We will need chaperones for this trip so please let me know if you can help chaperone. The chaperone cost is \$30. If you have a Knott's pass there is no cost. Email me at gsummers@nlmusd.org with any questions, comments, or concerns you have.

Thank you so much for your dedicated support.

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Student Name: _____

Please check one: I am able to attend the Forum Festival on Friday May 12
 I am not able to attend.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____