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We would like to invite you to perform in the District 64 Solo & Ensemble Recital! This is a worthwhile opportunity for you to challenge yourself and grow musically by playing a solo, or performing in a small ensemble such as a duet, trio, or quartet with your friends. Solos should be chosen from the standard solo repertoire for band & orchestra. You will be assigned a specific time to perform during the Recital evening. You will receive a written evaluation of your solo/ensemble performance from a guest clinician, but this is not a competition. The emphasis is on celebrating your musical accomplishments and sharing them with family and friends. Your parents and friends are invited to attend and listen to you perform. If you do not yet study privately, this would be a great time to begin taking lessons.

Recital Dates

BAND: Thursday, February 18, 5:00 - 8:30 PM, Lincoln Middle School
STRINGS: Tuesday, March 1, 5:00 - 8:30 PM, Lincoln Middle School

SOLOISTS NEED ACCOMPANIMENT

A list of piano players who have agreed to accompany students at recitals will be available from your director. We recommend as a guideline a fee of \$45 for thirty minutes of rehearsal time plus the performance, but pianists may set their own rates. Plan to pay your accompanist at your first rehearsal. Be sure to get your piano music to your accompanist before your first rehearsal so he/she can practice the part. SmartMusic is an excellent tool for learning your solo and how it fits together with the piano part, but performing with a real pianist is an important skill to learn for a recital. If it is impossible to hire a pianist, talk with your teacher to see if a CD or SmartMusic accompaniment would be appropriate for you.

Band students: please return this form to your teacher by **January 21**. **String students:** please return this form to your teacher by **February 5**. You should purchase your own original copy of your solo. The J.W. Pepper music company stocks the most complete collection of solos and ensembles. You can place your order through their web site at www.jwpepper.com. You need to be aware that if a solo is not readily available, it may take some time to arrive from the publisher, so be sure to order it soon. If you need help choosing a solo, talk to your band or orchestra teacher NOW, don't wait until the deadline!

Parent Help Requested!

We need parent help monitoring the rooms for the evening. Please indicate below if you can help us out for 45 minutes on this evening.

We hope that you choose to participate in this event!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: - Band = January 21 Strings = February 5

Give this form to your teacher
Please sign me up for the 2016 Solo & Ensemble Recital!

NAME: _____ INSTRUMENT: GROUP: blank
How many years have you have played your instrument? (count this year as half) _____

Name of Pianist*: _____
***VERY IMPORTANT - We must know the name of your pianist for scheduling purposes. You will not be officially registered until we know who your pianist is.**

Name of Solo _____ Composer _____
PLEASE PRINT

Parent Help ____ Yes, I can assist as a room monitor for 45 minutes on this evening (we'll schedule you in your child's room during his/her performance time so you don't miss it).

Parent Signature _____