

Robert E. Bell School
50 Senter Street
Chappaqua, NY 10514

Dear Parents of Band Students,

The annual Memorial Day parade will be held on Monday, May 27. **All 6-8 grade band students are expected to march in the parade.** Please fill out the slip below and return it to Mr. Pirro as soon as possible. Keep the top half of this letter for your information. *All students need to return a permission slip*, as I need to have an accurate count of students before the day of the parade.

The parade will assemble at the intersection of **Ridgewood Terrace** and **Elm Street** at 10:30 AM (Behind the Mobile station). Parents of band members should drop their children off at the intersection of Route 120 and Elm Street.

Students should arrive at the parade site with their instruments (no instrument cases), music, and a lyre. **The school does not provide lyres, so children must supply their own.** Please contact Mr. Pirro if you have a question about which lyre is right for your child's instrument.

Percussionists-- The Chappaqua School Foundation generously provided grant money for the purchase of one marching bass drum and seven marching snare drums. These instruments will be distributed to students according to grade with 8th graders given preference. If the marching snares are all taken, students must use their own snares from home. I will provide the snare marching straps.

Students should dress in shorts, a tee shirt, and sneakers. Please wear red white and/or blue colors to help celebrate the day.

IMPORTANT: THE SCHOOL BUILDING WILL BE CLOSED ON MEMORIAL DAY. YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO BRING HIS/HER INSTRUMENT HOME ON THURSDAY MAY 23. THERE WILL BE NO ACCESS TO THE BUILDING THE DAY OF THE PARADE.

Sincerely,

Barry Pirro

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My child _____ Instrument _____ Grade 6/7/8 (circle one)

- Will be attending the Memorial Day Parade
- Will not be at the Parade, we will be on vacation that day.

Parent Signature: _____