Dear Wind Ensemble Parent,

I am sending out this letter to inform every one of our upcoming rehearsals and concerts as we prepare for Music Performance Assessment (MPA) on March 9th. Below is a list of important dates.

Feb 22: After School Rehearsal, 4:00-5:00 **Feb 27:** After School Rehearsal, 4:00-5:30 **March 5:** After School Rehearsal, 4:00-5:30

Feb 23: the CMS Wind Ensemble will rehearse our MPA music with the BHS Wind Ensemble. We will return to school before the end of 5th period. We will NOT be in concert dress for this trip; however students will still need to be in dress code. We will need 2-4 chaperones for this trip.

March 9th: the <u>BIG DAY</u>. A full itinerary and Permission Slip will be out just as soon as the district releases the MPA schedule. We will be in FULL concert dress for this performance, black shirts, black dress pants, black shoes. It is <u>VERY</u> important that our students are on their best behavior. Other schools, other directors, and the judges will be in the auditorium with our band members. We are judged on our conduct as much as our performance.

Remember "*THE BRIBE*" I will give each student 10 bonus BKR points for each Superior rating at MPA (up to 50 total)

We will need a small army of parent chaperones to help us out with MPA this year. We are looking to have 6 - 8 chaperones at this performance. Please note that returning the signed portion of this letter is a grade for the 3rd nine weeks. I realize that there is a lot of information to process in one sitting. Please feel free to call or email me with any questions. 407-249-6420 x5034228, keith.nichols@ocps.net.

We welcome any and all parents, family members, friends, and neighbors to join us for our performances. It is always good at MPA to have a large family crowd – you can even follow us into the sight reading room! Directions to Ocoee HS (3/9) will be available on the website soon!

Musically,

Mr. Nichols

Superior Performances come from **Superior** Rehearsals!

Please sign and return the bottom portion of the letter (this will be part of the 3rd term grades)

Letters must be returned by Thursday, February 22nd

Student's Name:			
(please print!)		_	
Parent's Signature:			