Bruce Middle School Winter Concert Information January 23rd, 7:00pm

Hello Bruce Middle School Families:

Your children have been working exceptionally hard throughout the first few months of school to develop their skills in music making. An important part of our programming is to provide opportunities for students to perform and share their growth with friends and families.

To celebrate these efforts, Bruce Middle School's bands and choir will be hosting our Winter Concert on Thursday, January 23rd. This performance will take place in the Bruce gymnasium, beginning at 7:00pm and ending no later than 8:15pm. Students should head home at the end of the day for a meal and a break and return to the school for 6:15pm, where they will report to their assigned warm-up rooms.

Concert Seating:

Our gymnasium doors will open at 6:30pm and families are welcome to take their seats at that time. Please do your best to fill rows and avoid leaving single seats. Should anyone require pre-reserved seating based on physical need and ability, please contact Mr. Kehler (Jason.kehler@sjasd.ca) and we will do our best to support these requests.

Attendance and Concert Dress:

We understand that our students are pulled in many directions in their school and personal lives. We are asking that all band and choir members remain for the duration of the concert. Everyone has a part to play, and we do not want to miss any of our musicians for our concerts. Attendance for all Bruce concerts is strongly encouraged and is considered as part of our ongoing assessment and evaluations of learning. In the event of illness or uncontrollable circumstances, please let Mr. Kehler know at your earliest opportunity.

Concert Dress:

Students in all ensembles are asked to wear all black for our performances. Students are asked not to wear any clothing with large logos. The hope is that students are dressing more formally than on a typical school day. Hats and toques should be removed during all performances.

When the concert ends:

At the conclusion of the concert, students and able family members are asked to assist with various tear-down tasks of the audience seating. Many hands make light work!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Kehler (<u>Jason.kehler@sjasd.ca</u>). We are looking forward to highlighting the students' achievements and effort throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Jason Kehler