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### 2025-26 Band Waiver Addendum

We have created a waiver process for our Band and Wheel programs that allow for increased flexibility for students taking Band so that they can experience other electives, as well. We were aware that the addition of the Wheel program had impacted those who were interested in Band, and we want to encourage all students interested in being a part of the Band to sign up, knowing that they will be able to participate in choice electives as well as a selection of the Wheel offerings.

Continuing this year, **parents and students interested in Band will be able to sign a waiver to opt out of certain Wheel classes in order to be involved in Band.** Please note that this option only applies to students signing up for a year-long commitment to Band. This will free up time for students to take other choice electives. While we strongly believe that the Wheel classes are beneficial and important for all students, we want to honor the commitment that Band takes and allow students to have multiple experiences throughout the year. Students in Band will also have the opportunity to engage in SEL and Design Thinking components throughout their experience there, ensuring that key tenets of the wheel classes are tied through for all students.

If your child is interested in potentially pursuing a waiver for Band next year, their Choice Elective and Wheel schedule would be as follows. Please note that, if in Band, your child will be assigned 1 Wheel class, and up to 2 Choice Electives throughout the year. This change applies to all students taking Band. Students may still be asked to participate in some isolated Wheel activities if the staff deems them necessary for the whole class.

#### Incoming 6th Graders:

6th	T1	T2	T3
Mon/Fri	Choice Elective	Band	Choice Elective
Tues/Fri	Band	Wheel: Life Skills	Band

Incoming 7th Graders:

7th	T1	T2	T3
Mon/Fri	Choice Elective	Band	Choice Elective
Tues/Fri	Band	Wheel: Design Thinking	Band

Incoming 8th Graders:

8th	T1	T2	T3
Mon/Fri	Choice Electives	Band	Operetta
Tues/Fri	Band	Wheel: Sex Ed/Health	Operetta

If you believe that your child will be interested in pursuing Band next year given these changes, please sign and return this form to the school office by the last day of school, Friday, June 13th. In order for your child to take part in the yearlong Band elective next year, we must receive this signed waiver.

\_\_\_\_ I AGREE TO THE BAND WAIVER, OPTING MY CHILD OUT OF THE TRADITIONAL WHEEL AND ELECTIVE SCHEDULE FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MEANS THAT MY CHILD WILL TAKE BAND, ONE PREDETERMINED WHEEL CLASS, AND TWO CHOICE ELECTIVES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Grade Level in 2025-2026: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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