

## **PRIVATE INSTRUCTION AT LAMAR MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Dear Band Parents:

The Lamar band directors would like to take this opportunity to encourage your child to participate in the Lamar private-lesson program. Qualified teachers travel to Lamar, and students take lessons during their regularly scheduled band class or before or after school. Students receive one private lesson per week. We try to schedule thirty-minute lessons when possible, but find it necessary to schedule some twenty minute lessons due to the class length. Lesson fees are \$15 per 20 minute lesson and \$17 per 30 minute lesson. Parents are asked to pay for the lessons on a monthly basis. You will receive a statement each month indicating your payment. All private lesson payments will be paid **DIRECTLY TO THE TEACHER**. To ensure continued success of this program, please remit your monthly pledge promptly.

Private lessons are an expectation for Symphonic Band members, and are encouraged for ALL students, INCLUDING 6<sup>th</sup> GRADERS. An effort will be made to schedule any interested student. The “one-on-one” instruction with an expert on the instrument is invaluable to any student at any level of musical growth. Private study allows students to focus on individual strengths and weaknesses that cannot be addressed in the full band setting.

During the first or second week of school, we will ask the private teachers to meet with and perform for the students so the students will get to hear a professional. At this point, the private teachers will begin contacting parents to schedule students who return the bottom portion of this form. **LESSON SCHEDULING WILL BE BASED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.**

Thank you for your interest in our program. Should you have any questions concerning this program, please do not hesitate to contact us by e-mail. If you are interested in private lessons, please complete and return the form to the band directors as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Alan Hanna  
Band Director  
[hannaa@lisd.net](mailto:hannaa@lisd.net)

Danielle Aicher  
Band Director  
[aicherd@lisd.net](mailto:aicherd@lisd.net)