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Dear Parent/guardian:

Now that all our wonderful Spring Concert Performances are behind us, it's time to prepare for our annual Marching Band performance in the East Quogue Memorial Day parade on Sunday, May 27, 2018.

Though the parade itself will begin at 1:00pm, students must arrive at the north side of Lewis Road and Montauk Highway, at 12:40pm. Montauk Highway will be shut down close to the start of the parade; therefore, it is extremely important that your child arrive promptly at 12:40pm.

Once the East Quogue Elementary School Marching Band has marched and completed the parade route, the children will remain in their formation in the firehouse parking lot until the completion of the parade, where they will perform the "Star Spangled Banner" and "Taps" for the remainder of the ceremonies held at the East Quogue Firehouse. Upon the completion of all ceremonies held at the firehouse, students will be released and be free to leave with their parent/guardian. It is the sole responsibility of the parent/guardian to transport their child both to and from the parade route.

Students need to bring their INSTRUMENTS ONLY and NO CASES. Clarinet and saxophone players should place an extra reed and reed case in your pocket and trumpet players should be sure to oil their valves the night BEFORE the Parade- just in case of an "instrument emergency".

All percussion students MUST bring home their drum/percussion instrument after school on Friday May 25, 2018; percussion students should be prepared to carry their instrument with them to the parade site, in addition, they will need to bring it back to school with them when they return to school on Tuesday, May 29, 2018.

All performing students must wear the new E.Q. Marching Band shirts, khaki color pants and white or light colored sneakers – no shorts, flip-flops, sandals, "crocs", etc..

**** PLEASE NOTE:**

If there is inclement weather on the day of the parade, our East Quogue Marching Band will NOT be performing, and therefore will not need to report on Sunday. A text alert will be sent to those families who have already signed up to receive our alerts; please make sure you check the E-board for text alert registration as well as communication for parade participation that day.

If you have any further questions regarding your child's participation in this parade event, please feel free to contact Ms. Russo or Mr. Long.

Yours in music and education,



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