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Hey Band!!

I hope everyone is enjoying the last couple of weeks of their summer break. Whether you did some vacationing out of town or just hung out with family and friends locally, I hope you are looking forward to what's coming your way! That's right, in just over two weeks we start **CAMP!!** August 14th is quickly approaching, so I wanted to touch base with everyone about some last minute prep work you should do.

Here is a brief checklist of what you can do to better prepare for this seasons band camp:

- Make sure your instrument is in good working order
- Medical forms need to be turned in on the first day of camp**
- Have everything you need for your instrument/equipment
 - Reeds, valve oil, electrical tape (guard and drumline)
- Band-practice your music!!!!
- Guard-practice your spinning!!!
- Get everything you need for camp
 - Good marching sneakers
 - Hat, sunscreen, and sunglasses
 - Giant water jug (fill twice daily with water and ice)**
- Get outside and get some exercise to prepare for all the marching you will be doing!
- Come in with an excellent attitude and be ready to work hard!

I am really looking forward to this season! Our 2017 field show "When One Door Opens..." will give us many opportunities to really show our audience what we can do over the entire

season. It's our job to make it as excellent as possible. Remember, we strive to get better everyday- from the first day of camp to our National Championship performance in November. This show will push you physically and mentally every rehearsal. So, take some time over the next two weeks to relax and have fun, and on August 14th come in to the first day of camp ready to work!!

As always, if you have any questions regarding the schedule or band camp please email me at sossias@southingtonschools.org. I hope everyone enjoys the last couple of weeks of vacation!
Get ready.....18 days till camp!!!!

Musically,

Mrs. Ossias