**Beginning Band Camp**

**Donaldson Harelson Mesa Verde**

The band directors for the elementary feeder programs to Canyon del Oro High School and Cross Middle School are excited to provide a unique opportunity for our Beginning Band students. Although Beginning Band Camp is an optional activity, student participation is strongly encouraged. The more students who participate in the camp, the less time we will need to spend in class showing each individual student how to assemble his/her instrument properly, care for it, and how to make the first sounds. It will greatly benefit the entire class if students learn these things at the camp in groups with only their instrument, rather than in class with up to six or seven different instruments at the same time.

Each instrument section will work with a professional musician/music teacher who will provide important instruction to help your child begin a successful year of band (for free!). The students will also give their very first “concert” for family and friends, followed by an eegee’s treat (generously donated by the CDO Band Boosters). Please see the following information and schedule.

**Saturday, August 26th from 12:45 - 4:00**

**Canyon Del Oro High School**

**What to bring:**

* Instrument (in its case)
  + Percussionists: bring snare drum (or practice pad) and bell set with stand, sticks, and mallets
* Instrument supplies and maintenance kit (reeds – at least 3, valve oil, cleaning rods/cloths, cork grease, etc)
* Bottle of water and small snack for the break (optional)
* Positive Attitude! ☺

**What to wear**: Casual clothes

**What not to bring**: Band books, music stand

**Schedule for Beginning Band Camp**

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| **Time** | **Event** | **Place** |
| **12:45-1:00** | **Check-In**  Parents will sign students in with his/her band director and then are free to leave until the concert | **CDO Auditorium Lobby** |
| **1:00-1:10** | **Welcome/Introductions** | **CDO Auditorium** |
| **1:15-2:15** | **Sectionals (small groups)** | **Various** |
| **2:15-2:30** | **Break** |  |
| **2:30-3:15** | **Sectionals (small groups)** | **Various** |
| **3:30-4:00** | **Mini Concert**  Friends and family are invited to hear each instrument group give their first performance on the CDO stage. Eegee’s will be provided at the conclusion of the performances! | **CDO Auditorium** |

Please return the bottom portion to your child’s band director

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**Name of Student:**

**Grade: Instrument:**

**Please select:**

**Will attend the Beginning Band Camp on Saturday, August 26th**

**Will not attend the Beginning Band Camp**

**Parent Signature:**

Emergency Contact Info (if your child will be attending Beginning Band Camp):

Name Number(s)

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List any allergies and/or medical issues: