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Dear Teacher/Parent/Guardian

I am excited to share with you that we have many exciting things planned for the 2016 OAA Music Festival this year. Leandro Blzama has accepted our invitation this year and we are looking forward to his leadership and musical contributions to our program. With that said there are a few important details I needed to share with you before you arrive.

As many of you may know, Northwest Arkansas is experiencing a Mumps outbreak that is continuing to spread in and around our communities. This communicable disease is affecting vaccinated individuals as well. Currently, our campus has had 3 cases of the Mumps.

We have taken every precaution possible and currently all the students on campus are vaccinated. We are continuing to working closely with the Arkansas Board of Health and following the recommendations of the CDC. In order to minimize the exposure to Mumps, we are requesting the following:

- Unvaccinated students/adults should not attend Music Fest this year. This is for your protection and the protection of those in your community.
- Students attending Music Fest should be vaccinated with 2 MMR vaccinations and the vaccination record should accompany the student's Music Fest registration.
- Please send your vaccination record and registration as soon as possible. I am asking that all group leaders please send a list of your students planning to attend immediately so that I can ensure we have reviewed the vaccination records before your arrival.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter and ongoing support of OAA's Music Fest. It is a highlight of our school year to have you as a guest on our campus and we look forward to having you this year.

In closing, please be assured that your student's health and well-being is our top priority. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

May God Bless You,

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