



Parents and Students,

It has never been a more exciting time to be a part of the Duluth High School Band Family! As we move into the 2011 fall marching season, the band has completed two of its most successful competitive seasons in its history and this year should only go to continue this new tradition of excellence! As a result of our competitive success, lower band fees, crowd response on Friday nights, and improved relations in the Duluth Community, our numbers have taken a large jump this year. At the time of this letter, results and final numbers are still coming in but it looks as if we will jump from 60 members last year to 100 or more this fall! Everyone associated with the Duluth program is responsible for this tremendous growth and you are all to be commended!

As you all know by now, we are very sad that Mrs. Wright will not be joining us this year and we wish her and her husband all the very best as they welcome their new addition to their family in October. The process of finding our new assistant is well under way and we should have final word out to all of you very soon. I assure you that whomever we find will be an excellent educator and will make a wonderful addition to the Duluth band family.

Please enjoy the remainder of your summer. Have fun, get some rest, sleep late, enjoy the A/C, and I will see all of you at our Band Camp meeting Thursday, July 14 at 6:00 in the band room!

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