

S'cool Spirit Band

San Jose Giants Baseball Game

Great news! The intermediate band has been given the opportunity to perform the national anthem at a San Jose Giants baseball game on Friday, June 15th 2018. Eleven of the Cupertino elementary schools will participate in this event. They are Blue Hills, Dilworth, Faria, Garden Gate, Lincoln, Montclair, Murdock-Portal, Regnart, Stevens Creek, Stockmeir, and West Valley. Below is information regarding our preparation for this event.

Permission slip

If you'd like your child to participate in this event, complete the permission slip and **turn it into your band teacher no later than January 29th 2018.**

Cost \$5 per student

Music

Parts for the Star-Spangled Banner have been handed out to students already. There are three musical parts to choose from.

Part 1 is the melody and is the most difficult. It is meant for students that practice regularly and can learn a couple new notes by looking at the fingering chart in the back of the book.

Part 2 is easier than part 1 and is the harmony part. It uses approximately 6 notes.

Part 3 is the easiest part of all. It only uses 4 notes.

The drum part is very simple. Drummers will need to learn to do a roll and their teacher can show them the technique involved in doing that.

If they need an extra copy or wish to change parts, you may download any part at www.scoolspiritband.com/starspangledbanner.

Practice

Students will need to practice these parts on their own outside of class. We have made recordings of each of the musical parts so students may use these recordings to practice along with. They are also located at www.scoolspiritband.com/starspangledbanner at the bottom of the page. They need to practice along with these recordings so they understand the rhythms and tempo (speed) of the piece.

Auditions

Students who wish to participate in this performance will need to audition their part. We will audition parts in groups to start. We hope to audition all of the parts this way. If we feel the need to audition in smaller groups or individually, we will. We will designate a weekend day in late February for these auditions. You will be notified by email in February of the exact date and location.

Tickets

This performance opportunity is part of the San Jose Giant's Park Packer fundraiser program. If our audition is accepted, we will receive tickets for the game in late April and they will be divided among all of the student participants. These tickets may be sold for \$7 each and students will be able to keep all of the proceeds from these ticket sales. If you wish to simply give away the tickets, you may do that as well. It's up to you.

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We will arrange one or two final rehearsals before the actual date of the event to practice the song. We will notify you of the dates and location of these rehearsals by email.

The Day of The Event

Your child's safety is our top concern. We are implementing the following procedures to insure this. Please note that we will be sending out reminders about these procedures, as we get closer to the performance date.

On the day of the event, a parent will need to accompany and supervise their child to the ballpark (588 East Alma Avenue, San Jose). You will be responsible for any parking fees. You and your child should arrive approximately an hour before the game and go directly to a designated sign in area **to be signed in**. Once students are signed in, they will be under our care and be our responsibility. All performing students will be taken to a designated area where they will sit and wait until they play the national anthem.

Directly after the anthem is played, parents will again meet at the designated area to sign out their child. Once students have been signed out, they will be under the care and supervision of their parent or designated adult.

Volunteers

If you would like to be considered for a volunteer position on the day of this event, please mark the permission slip at the bottom.

San Jose Giant's Permission Slip

(Please complete the permission slip, attach a check for \$5.00 (payable to Music in Schools Today) and return it to your band teacher no later than January 29th 2018)

Yes, I will allow my son/daughter _____ to participate in the performance at the San Jose Giant's baseball game, on Friday, June 15, 2018.

School Name _____

Student's Instrument _____

Parent's Email Address (please print in CAPITAL LETTERS) Example:
ABCDEFGHIJKLMN OPQRSTUVWXYZ 1234567890

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By signing below, I am stating that I am allowing my son/daughter to attend this voluntary field trip and have deemed to waive all liability claims against Keith Pennings, S'cool Spirit, and Music in Schools Today.

I understand that before I sign my child in and after I sign my child out, I will be responsible for the supervision and care of my child during this event.

Also, I understand that this field trip is not sponsored by or associated with Blue Hills, Dilworth, Faria, Garden Gate, Lincoln, Montclair, Portal, Regnart, Stevens Creek, Stockmeir or West Valley Elementary Schools or the Cupertino Union School District.

MEDICAL RELEASE

Should it be necessary for my child to have medical treatment while participating in this activity, I hereby give the S'cool Spirit personnel permission to use their judgment in obtaining medical service for my child and give permission to the physician selected by S'cool Spirit personnel to render medical treatment deemed necessary and appropriate by the physician.

Health Insurance Co. _____ Policy # _____

Allergies? _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Yes, I would like to be considered as a volunteer on the day of this event.