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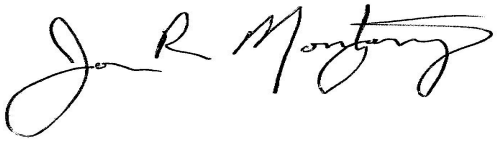
Great News for Band!

We have been cleared to play our instruments in class! After months of waiting we are finally in a place where we can provide a band performance experience in a safe environment. There will be some very explicit safety measures that we must follow to make this happen:

- Masks must still be worn at all times- this means that you will need to have a separate and clean double-layer mask that you can cut a small slit in to allow for your instrument mouthpiece. Percussion is exempt from this. This mask will only be worn in band class and not the rest of your school day.
- Flute players will need a slightly different mask that will be provided by the school.
- You will have a cover for the end of your instrument (except percussion) provided by the school that will be used at all times.
- You will still sit at a separated distance facing forward using the existing classroom setup.
- You will be given breaks to allow our room to exchange airflow and for an outside mask break.

This will begin as soon as our instrument covers arrive. We are targeting the week of January 26th. Until then you may bring your instrument in and place it in your lockers. Beginning Band students will be issued a locker at this time.

We will proceed with caution as we go forward with our learning. If you have any questions please contact me at montgomeryj@brpsk12.org

Thanks for your support!

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