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Dear Parents & Students of the Pearl City High School Band Program:

I hope this letter finds you in good health and spirits. Right now is a time of much uncertainty and change, however I know that our band students have the character and experience to overcome these adversities and anxieties. Their experiences in band have instilled in them that collectively we are greater than we are individually. It is because of these values they embody that there is much to look forward to.

I know there are many questions about the road ahead for our band program for this year. I wanted to share some answers but am unsure of how long our program will need to be closed for. I am available through the Remind App (text message) or through email. Please contact me if there are questions. If you are NOT on our text messaging system, please email me with your NAME, PHONE and STUDENT NAME, that way I can put you into the correct text messaging group.

Here are a few updates about our band program:

- 1) Spring Break for all DOE Students is extended to March 30th. Please check the DOE or PCHS website for any updates. (<http://pchs.k12.hi.us>). (Note this is the school website and not our band website)
- 2) Hawaii Wind Band Festival – March 31st and April 1st – CANCELLED
- 3) Oahu Band Directors Association Parade of Bands – April 11th – CANCELLED
- 4) Symphonic Winds (Period 2 Band) Rehearsals on 3/29 & 4/5 – CANCELLED
- 5) All Band Member Meeting for 2020-2021 School Year on 4/21 – CANCELLED (will reschedule)
- 6) Events in May such as Aloha Concert, Band Banquet, Graduation and the marching band rehearsal is tentatively on hold, pending any new announcements by DOE. Please continue to keep these dates in your calendar and we will update you.
- 7) Our Zippy's Fundraiser will be extended. These are PRE-ORDERS, so we haven't finalized our numbers with them. This means that the delivery date of the tickets will be pushed back. If that is a problem, please let me know. I am hoping that we will still be able to distribute in April/May. Checks that have already been turned in will NOT be cashed until we put in our orders.

We are sad that we have to cancel many of the performances that were scheduled for this semester. The students were making great progress towards our concerts, so we hope that they continue to work on their music and practice during this extended break.

Please take care of yourselves and those close to you. We will see you in a few short weeks!

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