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The mission of Deer Valley High School is to create a safe and positive learning culture by empowering students with the essential skills necessary to lead in their homes, careers, and communities.

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Greetings to all New and Returning Deer Valley HS Band and Orchestra Students,

We hope this letter finds you enjoying a calm and relaxing summer vacation. It is my honor to welcome you to the program! The most visible part of the Deer Valley High School music program is the Skyhawk Marching Band. This is the ensemble that performs at all of the football games throughout the fall sports season, as well as at festivals, in parades, community events, and at concerts. This ensemble requires a lot of dedication and focus, but it can also be the most fun and enjoyable experience for students. If you are interested in joining the Skyhawk Marching Band, please visit our website at https://skyhawkband.org/ and click on the Register button located on the homepage. Marching Band is an extra-curriculum ensemble at Deer Valley, therefore all participants must be registered for a band or orchestra class in order to participate with exception of colorguard members. For those who are interested, I have include marching band information in this packet as well.

We also provide the following instrumental curricular courses for students to take: Symphonic Band (for woodwinds), Concert Band (for brass), Wind Ensemble (top performing group, audition only), Orchestra, and Percussion Ensemble (all percussionists sign up for this class). These are the courses available to students to have on their schedule during the school day. Other extra-curricular ensembles include Pep Band, Jazz Ensemble, Winter Drumline, Winter Guard, etc.

No matter what would work the best for you and your student, I can guarantee that your student will grow as a person and as a musician. Being part of these ensembles will help to ensure success in high school and life. Students will have a great experience, work hard and have fun at the same time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at <u>khalila.govan@dvusd.org</u>, and I will respond in a timely manner. We invite all students to visit our website and <u>https://skyhawkband.org/</u> and click on the Register button located on the homepage. This form will give us the capability for communicating all events and information in relation to the instrumental music program. Thank you, and I look forward to working with you and your student this coming year!

Musically Yours,

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