



D . R . U . M .

DISCIPLINE RESPECT & UNITY THROUGH MUSIC

After many years, the D.R.U.M. ensemble is back at Oakton School! We will meet after school from 3:35 p.m. until 4:45 p.m. every Wednesday. Our first gathering will take place on **Wednesday, October 11th** in the music room.

"Kids love drums! The sight, the sound, the power, and the feel are tremendous motivators for many students. D.R.U.M. is an acronym for Discipline, Respect, and Unity through Music. The original D.R.U.M. group was formed by Jim Solomon at his elementary school in 1995 to provide an ensemble experience for students not involved in any of the regular music groups. The group concept is designed to stress teamwork and self-discipline while learning about intensive percussion ensembles built on music from the United States, Africa, South America and beyond!"

In order to ensure that each participant has access to a variety of percussion instruments, this group will be **limited to 30 students** grades 3-5. Interested students must turn in the permission slip below by **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th**. Then 10 students each from grades 3, 4 and 5 will be selected by a blind lottery and notified by the end of the day on that Friday. I will keep the permission slips of students who are not chosen and draw from those as spots become available.

Parents and students, please be aware that membership in the D.R.U.M. Ensemble requires discipline, appropriate behavior, and a positive attitude. Any lack of effort displayed by a D.R.U.M. member during rehearsal or at any other time throughout the school day will result in probation, or in some cases, dismissal from the ensemble. Also note that occasional out-of-school commitments will be required of each member as well as a uniform, for which additional information will be provided upon membership.

Please complete the permission slip below and return it by **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH!!!** Note that turning in the permission slip does not guarantee membership in D.R.U.M. *NO late permission slips will be accepted!*

If you have any questions, please contact me at (847) 733-4333 or at blacconerim@district65.net. **Si quieren más información acerca de D.R.U.M. (La Disciplina, El Respeto, y La Unidad por medio de la Música) por favor de llamarle a Sra. Restrepo (847) 859-8803 o en restrepom@district65.net**

Ms. Blacconeri
Music Teacher, Oakton School



(Please keep the above information for your records)

D.R.U.M ENSEMBLE PERMISSION SLIP

My child _____ in _____ grade, _____
(student name) (grade level) (room #)

has my permission to join the D.R.U.M. Ensemble for the 2017-2018 school year. I understand that, if selected, my child will be staying after school on Wednesdays each week until 4:45 p.m.

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

Would you like to receive updates via email about upcoming D.R.U.M. events and information? If so, please provide an email address: _____

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