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Dear Milford Families,

During the 2020-2021 school year, as a result of the pandemic, we were unable to hold live music events in Milford Public Schools. During this time, the music team's creative approach to sharing student work allowed families and the Milford community to experience music through videos and virtual performances that showcased the learning that was happening in music classrooms across the district. We are excited to announce a series of in person "Music Nights" at each of our buildings over the coming weeks that will feature students in select grades. At this time, we have an approved plan to celebrate our musicians with performances at each elementary school, middle school, and high school. At a later date, we hope to share with you our plans to hold additional Music Nights in the spring for grades that are not included in this fall series of Music Nights. These informal events will allow families to hear the music our students have been making in their music classes since the start of the year! The Elementary School Music Nights will include all students in grade 5.

Detailed below is important information for all families with students participating. Please look out for detailed information directly from your child's music teacher on arrival times, attire, etc.

The ***Orchard Hills Music Night*** will take place on **Wednesday, October 27th at 5:00pm**. We anticipate that this event will last no more than 45 minutes. We ask that all families bring their own lawn chairs or blankets and set up being cognizant of spacing from other families. Masks are recommended for audience members and due to spacing, the audience is limited to immediate family only. All performers will be masked and following the current recommendations for music spacing as recommended by the state of Connecticut. If there is inclement weather, we will be planning a virtual share out instead of an in-person event. Thank you for your continued partnership in support of our growing musicians!