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To: MHS Band Parents/Guardians, and Students
From: Mr. Williams
RE: Winter Indoor Percussion and Color Guard Seasons

Dear Parents/Guardians, and Students,

I am writing to update you on the status of our upcoming Winter competition seasons. **After much thought and consideration, I have decided to CANCEL Winter Indoor Percussion due to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis.** *Color Guard is still on for right now, as they fall under the same category as IHSA Dance, which is having a season this Winter.* As I stated this past Fall when I cancelled the marching season, I did not envision my first year as the director starting with all of these cancellations. It is however the cards we are still dealing with, and we will continue to make the most out of the time that is now given to us to refocus; working on basics, musicianship, and overall group dynamics.

Let me emphasize that this is not the end of Winter Indoor Percussion at MHS, it is only a pause. We **WILL** be back stronger than ever, hopefully soon with the good news that a potential vaccine is possibly on its way for distribution later this Winter and Spring. Color Guard will proceed for now with the most extreme precautions in place; masks, temperature checks, and social distancing.

If you have any questions or concerns about these upcoming changes/cancellations, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at nwilliams@mhs.org, or at (618) 687-2336, Ext. 1333. **Continue to stay safe!** Talk with you soon.

Sincerely,

Mr. Williams

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