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Recently, at the 2004-2005 Region 2/3 Band Festival, we had 9 students in 7 groups receive a Superior Rating for their solo or small ensemble. There were also other small ensembles that did not receive a superior rating, but still participated. This very good outcome was caused by lots of encouragement from our music teacher, Mrs. Duhan. The students who participated in the Solo and Ensemble part of the Festival had to work on their own time to rehearse their pieces. During this time a designated leader had to help the group bring the piece together. Occasionally, they would be able to receive help from Mrs. Duhan.

Receiving help prior to the festival was very difficult because Mrs. Duhan was one of the three people who were putting the festival together. In case one doesn't already know, putting together a festival involving three hundred kids and more than 10 schools is difficult and stressful.

The point that I am trying to make is that Mrs. Duhan didn't have a lot of time to help the students. If there were a class like there used to be, Mrs. Duhan would be able to help these students achieve their maximum potential. The class that I am talking about is Chamber Music.

Prior to Mrs. Duhan's 2-year leave, we had Chamber Music. In the class, the students were able to learn important musical skills that are necessary. These skills include being able to tell when you're out of tune, when you are or aren't together, and how music fits together. Also, students learn the different types of music more clearly.

There are so many reasons why Chamber Music would be a good class to have. I think I could go on forever. Also, I'm sure that Mrs. Duhan would be more than happy to do a Chamber Music class again. Unfortunately, her day as well as all teachers is already full. I'm not sure if it would be able to happen any time soon, but I promise that a Chamber Music class would give our school an even better reputation than it already has.