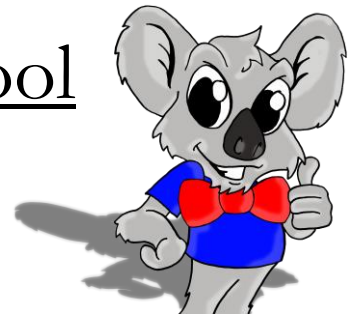


# Willie I. Kocurek Elementary School

*Music Department*



September 12, 2011

Dear Parents,

This school year we will be teaching our students how to play a simple music instrument, the recorder. It is a flute-like instrument that helps in teaching students to learn to read music. It is important for each student to have his or her own recorder. This instrument will be used in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade and if cared for properly, will last forever. The recorders can be ordered through the school by sending **\$6.00** in the supplied envelope with the accompanying permission slip. If you would like to save some money and time and choose to order through the school, please return the form at the bottom of the page and money to your music teacher by **Friday, September 23, 2011**. After this date we will place our order. If you do not order a recorder through the school you will need to purchase one at a local music store such as Strait Music (located on S.Lamar.) Prices at these retail stores tend to vary depending on the quality of the recorder.

We believe that students should learn on high quality instruments. The recorders that we will be ordering are the highest quality student recorders available and include everything the student will need. **Please avoid purchasing recorders from stores such as Wal-Mart or Dollar General. Recorders sold from these stores are not quality instruments and they can lower your student's chances of being successful.**

Thank you for your support of our music program. If you have any questions, please contact us at 841-5313.

Musically,

Mr. VandeWalle  
Music Education Specialist

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I would like to order a recorder for my child's use in music class and am sending \$6.00 along with this permission slip. I understand that the recorders will not be ordered until September 23, 2011.

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Student's name

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Homeroom Teacher

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Date