



News and Notes



Sounds of the Season

It was a great week with an amazing soundtrack! Our students were busy with performances, beginning last Wednesday with the joint concert with the choir program. The music was beautiful and perfect for the season. Did you notice the football team was there? We are grateful for their support and the support of Coach O'Campo.

Then, on Thursday night, some of our students performed again with the Orchestra program. There's just something lovely about a symphony orchestra playing the sounds of the season.

Finally, on Friday morning, the band performed at CHS for a group of 5th graders bussed in from our feeder elementary schools. These "concerts" were held at each of the 4 high

schools as a way to encourage young people to stay in music. The orchestra, band and choir all performed and the elementary students seemed to enjoy it. Who knows? Maybe in 4 years we will see them again as new members of our Hawk Band family.

Thank you to all the students, staff, parents, audience members and cheerleaders who helped to make last week such a success.

As we head into this final week before the Winter Break, we'd like to wish you and your family a healthy, happy, peaceful break and a new year full of joy!

Good luck on finals, Hawks!

There will be no newsletter next week.



5th Grade Concert

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Thank You's

- Truck drivers, for continuing to be sure the band has what they need for all performances.
- Kim Vallejos, for following-up with all the delayed and substituted items from Yankee Candle.
- Coach O'Campo and the CHS Football Team for attending our concert.
- Deb Hewus for her work on student accounts.

Christmas Gift Card Drive

We are currently collecting gift cards in the band office. These gift cards will be provided to one of our own who could use a little help to make this Holiday Season a joyous one. Information was recently posted on the BAND app; but suggestions for gift cards include: Wal-Mart, Tar-

get, gas cards, fast food cards, etc. We are trying to get a variety of cards for things that are needed along with a few that are for things that are more indulgent.

If you'd like to contribute, please bring gift cards to the band office, no later than Tuesday morning at 8:30. If

you've already donated—Thank YOU!

Questions should be directed to Jeni Raess.



Coming Attractions - Important Dates

Note: The most up-to-date calendar can always be found on the BAND app.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
12/23 - 1/3	No School- Winter Break	n/a	n/a
1/8 - 1/11	All State	Albuquerque	tba
1/13	CHS Band Board Meeting	tba	6:30 pm
1/15	Disney Payment	n/a	n/a
1/20	No School - MLK Jr. Day	n/a	n/a
1/28	Parent Meeting	Band Room	6:30 pm
2/1	Band Fees Must be Paid to go to Disney	Band Room	n/a
2/7 - 2/9	Southwest Honor Band	NMSU	tba
2/10	CHS Band Board Meeting	tba	6:30 pm
2/14	Final Disney Payment Due	n/a	n/a
2/17	No School - President's Day	n/a	n/a
2/18	Parent Meeting	Band Room	6:30 pm
2/25	Pre-MPA concert	tba	tba
3/6	Middle School MPA	Ocate PAC	tba
3/7	High School Band MPA	Ocate PAC	tba
3/7	Holes for Hawks Golf Tournament	Sonoma Ranch GC	tba
3/9	CHS Band Board Meeting	tba	6:30 pm
3/17	Parent Meeting	Band Room	6:30 pm
3/20-3/25	Disney Trip	Band Room	tba
4/13	CHS Band Board Meeting	Tba	6:30 pm
4/21	Parent Meeting	Band Room	6:30 pm
4/23-4/24	Ocate Jazz Fest	Ocate	tba

Disney Reminders

When the contracts were issued, they included a suggested payment schedule. While, you are certainly not required to follow this schedule, we encourage you to be mindful of the dates. All Disney fees must be paid in full by 2/14/20 in order to participate. This is true for both students and chaperones.

Additionally, please remember that all band fees must also be paid in full by 2/1/20 to be eligible for the trip. If your family is

enduring financial hardship, with respect to band fees, please visit with Mr. Ramos. We have some options available for your family and on a case-by-case basis.

Chaperones, remember you must have an approved background check on file with LCPS (including fingerprinting), in order to serve on this trip. Please do not expect that old background checks are still active. Call LCPS at 527-5800 and confirm your volunteer packet is still active and approved.

For the safety of our students and our chaperones, we will check with LCPS, prior to departure. Those who don't meet this criteria cannot be allowed to travel with students.

If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to one of the Directors. This is going to be a great trip!



Monthly Statements

You should be receiving a monthly statement of your account by now. These emails are generated through our Charms Office System and is utterly dependent on the input of accurate information like email addresses. If you have not received a statement, please reach out to Deb Hewus. Odds are I either entered the address incorrectly or we don't have an email address on file for you.

This is, by far, the best and most

reliable way to keep track of your band account, including Disney payments.

We are working to provide real time access to all families, so you can check your status on your own and even make payments directly to your account in one more modality. We will keep you posted of our progress in this regard.



Band to Perform at Basketball Games

The high school basketball season is well underway. And, when classes resume in January, our band will be playing at some of these games.

You can expect a schedule to be posted to the BAND app as soon as it is ready. We will play at 4 Home Girl's Basketball games and 4 Home Boy's Basketball games. Students should plan to attend

the entire game and play some of the new stand tunes they are learning.

The band plays for the varsity games only. However, sometimes the JV games (which are played before the varsity) run late and that can delay the entire schedule. Please know that we have no control over this and we will try to provide a schedule that is as accu-

rate as possible. If you have any questions or concerns, please let Mr. Ramos or Mr. Kaltenbach know.



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With Pride.
#HawkYeah**

We're on the web!
www.centennialband.net

For the latest and most up-to-date information, join us on the **BAND app**. You can find it in the App Store and Android platforms. You can also search, "**Band.us/@chsband**". We ask that you have this app on your mobile device (and enable "push" notifications) for ease of communication at football games, competitions and other events.

Our website is: **centennialband.net**

Finally, check us out on **Facebook**
"**@CentennialHighSchoolBand**".

Did You Know....? Band Parent Association Officers and Band Instructors

These are your Band Parent Board Officers and Band Instructors for the 2019-2020 School year and their "affiliated" sections:

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