



# News and Notes



## So Many Ways to Help...

We are almost 9 weeks into the new semester - well, we're getting there...

And there is so much to do for our Band programs. How can you help?

1. The 2nd Annual Holes for Hawks Golf Tournament is less than a month away. We need you to help get teams registered, to work the day of the event and to solicit donations for the raffle and swag bags. This is, by far, our largest fundraiser of the semester. And, it takes the pressure off next Fall, when we are in the midst of marching season.

2. We are now selling Goat Milk Soap. Students received the order forms in class last week. They were also sent via email and will be posted on the Band App. Each student is expected to sell \$50 worth of product or about 7-8 bars of soap. The sale will continue through February, with a ll order forms and money due into the Band office by the end of school on Friday, February 28.

3. Elections for CHS Band Board members will take place in April. Much of the current leadership will be par-

enting seniors or juniors next year and it would be a great opportunity for some new faces to learn. We will need a vice-president and a fundraising chairperson next year. We may need other positions, but these for sure. Take a risk! Join us! We have a ton of fun while we work.

4. The Band Banquet is coming up at the beginning of May. For now, there is a committee of 3 people who have agreed to help organize and plan. Are you interested?

Let's do this, Band Fam! All this work directly benefits our students and our band program.

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### Thank You's

- To Patricia Alvarez for taking the photos for the poster!
- Selina Cardoza for heading up the Goat Milk Soap fundraiser. Again.
- Mr. K for continuing to work on the trip to Disney!
- To all the parents who reach out with words of support and encouragement to me and our Board. It means more than we could ever express.

## Charms Office Available to Parents

The final deadline for our trip to Disney is this Friday, February 14. By 11:59 pm that night, all fees for the trip must be paid in full. Once this date passes, we can sit back and enjoy the anticipation of the trip! Thank you to Mr. Kaltenbach for organizing this trip!

Wondering what the bal-

ance is for your student? Parents can now access their student account on the Charms Office System.

1. go to [charmsoffice.com](http://charmsoffice.com)
2. Click on the "login" button.
3. The school code is: CHSBandLasCruces.
4. The default password is your stu-

dent's LCPS ID number.

5. We are working to add a pay button right there.
6. But, for now, note your balance and then visit [www.centennialband.net](http://www.centennialband.net) and you can make a payment via the Paypal "Donate" button at the bottom of the homepage.

Questions? See Jeni or Deb Hewus

## Coming Attractions - Important Dates

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
2/10	CHS Band Board Meeting	tba	6:30 pm
2/14	Boys' basketball vs. Deming	CHS	Call Time: 5:30 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
2/19	CHS Freshmen Open House Event	PAL	6:00 pm
2/21	Boys' basketball vs. Gadsden	CHS	Call Time: 5:30 pm
2/25	Pre-MPA concert	tba	tba
3/6	Middle School MPA	Ostate PAC	tba
3/7	High School Band MPA	Ostate 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	Ostate Jazz Fest	OHS	All Day
5/2	Solo & Ensemble	OHS	TBA
5/11	CHS Band Board Meeting	CHS	6:00 pm
5/12	End of Year Concert	NMSU	TBA
5/22	CHS Graduation	NMSU - Pan Am	TBA

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

## Disney Meeting Wrap-Up

Thank you to the many parents who participated in our Disney meeting last Monday. If you or your student were unable to attend, it is your responsibility to reach out to one of the Directors, so that we can get the paperwork to you.

That paperwork includes a behavior contract that must be signed by a parent and the student who is traveling. It also includes an itinerary, a suggested packing list, a permission slip, a form for picking

your child up in California (if this applies to you), and a medical form. All of these must be returned before your student is allowed to travel. Please be sure you read each document and ask questions if you have them. The paperwork will also be attached to the email with this newsletter.

**\*If you are a chaperone: please be sure your fingerprints/background check are current with LCPS.**



## Please Deliver Posters to the Community

The posters are available. Please ask your student to pick up one for your family. They should also pick a poster up for each ad they sold. Those posters should be delivered to those community partners as soon as possible.

This fundraiser is relatively easy and is a great way to tell the community about what we do and why music education is important.

There are also extra posters, so if you'd like 1 (or 2...), please pick those up in the band office, as well.



## Calling All Uniforms!

There are still a number of students who have not returned their marching uniforms.

Students must return the following items: Garment bag, shako (hat), shako box, bibbers and jacket. No exceptions can be made. Each uniform is valued at about \$400 and we really DON'T want to charge any family for them.

You do NOT need to have them cleaned before you return them.

We will take care of that with the \$10 uniform maintenance fee you paid, at the beginning of the year.

Now, students can bring their items to the band room any school day. The uniforms should be given to one of the Directors.

Unfortunately, if we don't have them by the end of February, we will have to add the cost of the items onto student accounts.

Please reach out to Jeni with any questions or concerns.



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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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