



News and Notes

One Down...

Wow! That was amazing! While I wasn't at the game, I've heard nothing but amazing things from so many people!

1. I heard how great our students did in their very first marching performance. That's why we're here and what a joy it must have been to see them march!
2. The concessions team killed it!!!! Many, many people have texted, called or otherwise shared that the team was amazingly well organized and having a great time. On top of that, they earned about \$4500 (before expenses)! This is amazing. Congratulations to Liz, Brandie

and their entire team.

3. A few people have also shared that they had no idea the amount of logistics and coordination that takes place in order for one marching band to take the field. There's something about seeing it firsthand that is striking. There must have been close to 50 parents volunteering in some capacity yesterday. There is truly no way to have a successful band program without each of you.
4. Last but not least, parents have expressed their gratitude for our Directors and their undying dedication to this program.

In my mind, all of these things are what make us a Band Family. It matters. And it's different from what is happening in other bands around town. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for the love and joy you've shared with each other, our students, our directors....

Now, let's do it again next week!

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Jump In!!!!

So, you've heard me say that working the games is a ton of fun, but maybe you didn't quite believe it. I've sprinkled photos throughout this newsletter to prove my point. Parents who work for the band become friends—and we have a ton of fun along the way. Come join us!

We need volunteers for the game next Saturday.

1. We need 20 volunteers for concessions. Text Brandie at 520-909-7512 to join this team.
2. We need 1 truck driver. Text Veronica at 575-202-6225.
3. We need 3 people for hospitality. Text Katie Day at 575-202-2179.
4. We need 10-15 peo-

ple for pit. Text Lily at 575-644-8661.

Let's do these jobs, so the Directors can focus on theirs. It is the recipe for success.



Thank you!!!!

"After silence, that which comes nearest to expressing the inexpressible is music." — Aldous Huxley

"The most exciting rhythms seem unexpected and complex, the most beautiful melodies simple and inevitable." — W.H. Auden

"Where words fail, music speaks." — Hans Christian Andersen



Coming Attractions - Important Dates

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
8/24	Evening Rehearsal	CHS Band Room	5:00 - 7:30 pm
8/27	Papa John's Spirit Night	Any Papa Johns	All Day
8/28	CHS Football vs. West Mesa	Field of Dreams	Call Time: 11:30 am Game at 1:00 pm
8/31	Evening Rehearsal	CHS Band Room	5:00 - 7:30 pm
9/1	All Band Fees Due	n/a	n/a
9/6	NO SCHOOL—LABOR DAY	n/a	n/a
9/7	Evening Rehearsal	CHS Band Room	5:00 - 7:30 pm
9/10	CHS Football vs. Mayfield	Field of Dreams Home Side	Call Time: 5:30 pm Game at 7:00 pm
9/13	CHS Band Board Meeting	TBA	6:30 pm
9/18	5K Rock with the Hawks	CHS	TBA
9/21	Band Parent Meeting	CHS Band Room	6:30 pm
9/21	Evening Rehearsal	CHS Band Room	5:00-7:30 pm
9/28	Evening Rehearsal	CHS Band Room	5:00 - 7:30 pm
10/1	CHS Football vs. Organ Mountain	Field of Dreams Visitor Side	Call Time 5:00 pm Game at 7:00 pm
10/5	LCPS Marching Exhibition	Field of Dreams	TBD
10/11	CHS Band Board Meeting	TBD	6:30 pm
10/12	Evening Rehearsal	CHS Band Room	5:00-7:30 pm
10/13	Marching MPA	Field of Dreams	TBD
10/15	CHS Football vs. LCHS	Field of Dreams Home Side	Call Time 5:30 pm Game at 7:00 pm
10/16	Pageant of Bands	Rio Rancho High School	TBA
10/19	CHS Band Parent Meeting	CHS Band Room	6:30 pm
10/22	CHS Football vs. Hobbs Middle School Night	Field of Dreams	Call Time 5:30 pm Game at 7:00 pm
10/30	Tournament of Bands	NMSU	TBD

The most up-to-date calendar will generally be found on the BAND app. Please be sure you are on the app and that you enable "push" notifications, so that you are aware of changes as they are made.

This and That...

1. Our online merchandise sale has officially come to a close. Thank you to everyone who ordered! I will be working with Sports Accessories this week to arrange pick-up and then deliver items to the band room for you to pick up. The Booster Club will earn a portion of those sales and this amount will be reported, as soon as the math is done. :O)
2. Also, the Directors are working hard to collect t-shirt sizes for every student so that I can place the order for the show shirts this week. Please encourage your student to provide this information tomorrow morning. And, thank you to Evan Kleczka for designing our shirts this year! Finally, we'd like to thank our sponsors for the shirts: Burke Insurance Group and Girrafix Design and Printers!
3. All Band fees are due in 9 days. Please note that the band has already incurred costs for items the students will be keeping. Because of this, we can not distribute things like shoes, gloves and color guard costumes until those fees are paid in full. If you have any questions about this, please let us know.
4. There are so many moving parts and things can get confusing until you get used to the chaos that is Band. We want to encourage you to reach out with questions when you have them. Contact information is on the last page of every edition of the newsletter.
5. Have a great week, Hawk Band Fam!



Fundraising Updates

We have a few fundraisers going on right now and we want to share the progress with you.

1. SNAP raise has been truly unbelievable. As of 1:50 pm Sunday morning, we have raised \$22,620! This has easily become our easiest and most successful fundraiser ever. Thank you to those who have participated, to every single donor and to our Coordinator Julie Gustafson! We have about 9 days left, so keep sharing those links on social media.
2. Julie is also heading up efforts for our First Annual 5K (Rock the Hawks), which will take place on September 18. Their next meeting is tomorrow night at 6:00 pm in the Band Room.
3. Amazon Smile is ongoing and we've been receiving quarterly checks of about \$50 each. It's not much, but maybe it will pick up as Holiday shopping looms.
4. Concessions has begun! Typically, we can expect to earn about \$12,000 per football season. We need about 20 volunteers per game.



5. Planning is also about to begin in earnest for our Annual Band Poster. Every student will be expected to sell one ad for \$100. Would you like to head up this project? Please let Jeni know at 575-312-7394. Details will be shared soon.
6. Also, our Annual Craft Fair is right around the corner. Julie is also heading this effort, but someone must step in to learn the ropes, as Julie's son is a senior this year. The entire Las Cruces community looks forward to this event each year. We will need lots of help but it's also tons of fun.

In addition to the fundraising, it is the job of the booster club to cheer, encourage and support our students and directors. The best way to do that is to attend the football games and performances. We can't wait to see you all!

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With Pride.
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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 2021-2022 School year and their "affiliated" sections:

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