



News and Notes



CHS Band to Debut at Pageant of Bands!

Are you ready? Here we go! Our first competition of the season takes place this coming Saturday at Wilson Stadium in Albuquerque. The itinerary has been posted on the Band App and sent via email with this edition of the newsletter.

FAQ:

1. When do we leave Las Cruces?

It's on the itinerary.

2. What should we bring?

It's on the itinerary.

3. Can we keep our kids with us after the competition?

Yes. But you must sign a release with one of the Directors at the event, before you leave.

4. Will the kids be fed?

Yes. The schedule is on the

itinerary. We will be providing a snack, lunch and dinner.

5. My child is on a special diet. Will you be accommodating this?

No. Because we are staffed by all volunteers with various training on the subject, we feel most safe saying we will not be able to honor any special diets. Please have your child bring their own food.

6. How many times will our band perform?

All bands perform once at this event. There are no finals.

7. Should I have my student's uniform cleaned?

Yes! We will be judged on appearance. Please have all uniforms dry cleaned this week. We recommend Comet Cleaners in Las Cruces.

In the past, various students have forgotten the following items: instruments, shoes, long black socks, gloves, etc. Please help your student actually get these items together before departure. :O)

For any uniform emergencies, please contact Stephanie Muir or Jill Gladstone. Odds are they can fix it somehow.

Our kids have worked so hard and we are so excited to see the rest of the Band community experience our show! #hawkyeah



Updated Disney Costs

We have now received all contracts and payments for students and chaperones intending to participate in the Disney trip.

As you may recall, we used an estimate of 94 participants to present you with an initial cost estimate. We have about 84 people commit-

ted to our trip. This means that costs will likely increase nominally. This increase is designated for the cost of the busses. After all, we still pay for the entire bus, even if it isn't quite full. We hope to have this updated information to you sometime this week.

In the meantime, the details continue to come together as our Directors prepare to present our trip to the School Board, as required by District policy. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out.

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Special points of interest:

- Pageant of Bands this coming week-end!
- Please enable "PUSH" notifications on the BAND app, in case we have urgent needs for help.
- Craft Fair Committee Seeks Volunteers
- Golf Tournament Committee Meets Soon
- Yankee Candle Sale Ends Soon



Coming Attractions - Important Dates

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

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
10/22	Evening Rehearsal	Band Room	5:00 - 7:30 pm
10/22	Golf Tournament Meeting	Band Room	6:30 pm
10/22	Symphony Percussion Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
10/23	Symphony Percussion Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
10/24	Evening Rehearsal	Band Room	5:00 - 7:30 pm
10/26	Pageant of Bands	Wilson Stadium - Abq	See Itinerary
10/31	CHS Football vs. Gadsden *Senior Night	Field of Dreams	5:00 pm percussion/pit 5:30 everyone else
11/2	Tournament of Bands	NMSU	TBD
11/3	Clocks Fall Back	n/a	n/a
11/4	All State Auditions	NMSU	TBD
11/4	Board Meeting	TBD	6:30 pm
11/9	Veteran's Parade	TBD	TBD
11/12	Parent Meeting	Library	6:30 pm
11/15	Disney Payment	n/a	Band Room
11/15-11/16	Holiday Craft Faire	CHS Aux Gym	All day, both days
11/19	Orchestra Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
11/21	Orchestra Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
11/25-11/29	No School - Thanksgiving Break	n/a	n/a
12/3	Orchestra Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
12/5	Orchestra Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
12/7	Pancake Breakfast	Ruby Tuesday	TBD
12/10	Band/Choir Concert	NMSU Atkinson	7:00 pm
12/11	Orchestra Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
12/12	Orchestra Rehearsal	Orchestra Room	3:30 - 5:00 pm
12/13	Disney Payment	n/a	n/a

Yankee Candle Sale Ends 11/8

There's been a lot going on recently, and the Yankee Candle Fundraiser may have gotten lost in the shuffle. However, from time to time, the company sends out notice that they are running a special during our fundraiser. Recently, they were offering groups a 50% share in the profits, as opposed to the usual 40%! This was shared on the Band App and on our Facebook page.

Every student has been given a catalog and an order form, but

extras are available in the Band office. Inside that packet of information are instructions about setting up the online portion of the sale for your student. It's fast and easy and can then be shared via social media. No high pressure sales tactics here!

Please remember that we expect every student to sell at least \$75 worth of merchandise. We will talk about the sale, in more detail at the parent meeting.

Happy Shopping Season!



Senior Night is October 31~

We will be recognizing our Class of 2020 and their families at the football game on October 31 at the Field of Dreams. After the band performs at halftime, all seniors will line up on the far side of the field and be introduced as they walk across the field with their parents. We will present each senior with a token of our gratitude and take a quick photo. This "ceremony" will go very quickly, as they will also be recognizing seniors from football, cheer, poms

and athletic training. We do understand that the date is inconvenient, at best; but we don't get to choose. The District has pre-determined that Senior Night will always be the last home game of the regular season.

So, we hope you will help us make the best of it, so that our Seniors and their families know how much we appreciate what they have done the last 4 years. Congratulations, CHS Band Class of 2020!



Long-Term Fundraising Goals

If your family is new to marching band, it can seem overwhelming. Between the schedule of events, the rehearsals, the lack of sleep, fundraising can seem like such a burden... Nobody wants to lead a fundraiser and we are all tired of selling stuff.

We do understand this and we are trying to plan for the future. You may remember that our budget

for the year is about \$95,000. The District provides about \$6000 of this, leaving us to make a choice: support the competitive band our students want and our high school community deserves, or simply be a band class. CHS, from the very beginning has always chosen the former. With that vision and goal in mind, we are hoping to gradually phase out

all of the little fundraisers in favor of 4 or 5 major events per year. We are looking for the most bang for the buck and we are always open to new ideas and suggestions.

As we make the transition from lots of little efforts to a few big ones, we continue to value your patience and participation.

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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 2019-2020 School year and their "affiliated" sections:

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