



NEWS FROM THE BAND ROOM

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December 9, 2019



Holiday Concert

We are looking forward to performing at our annual holiday concert! The students have had a lot of performances this fall, but the holiday concert is a long standing tradition in Mansfield that we are excited to participate in. The students work extremely hard during band class to prepare some exciting repertoire. You'll hear some new pieces as well as some holiday favorites. We look forward to seeing you there! Concert is December 10th and starts at 7pm. Students are to report at 6:30pm.



Calendar

- 12/10 - Winter Concert
- 12/16 - Caroling at Home (during the school day)
- 12/17 - 7th/8th Grade Winter Concert @ QMS

Daily Band Schedule

- Monday: 4th Period
- Tuesday: 5th Period
- Wednesday: 6th Period
- Thursday: Drop
- Friday: 1st Period

Coming Up!

Here are some updates:

- We are working to reschedule the Color Guard meeting for the winter. I should have a reschedule date soon.
- Our annual winter concert will be held on Tuesday December 10th at 7pm in the MHS Auditorium. Admission is \$5 per person and \$15 for a family pack of 4 or more people. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Concert attire is all black.
- Our annual caroling at home event will take place on Monday December 16th during the school day. We will perform 5 concerts for elementary school students at MHS. The final concert will take us past the end of the school day, so students will have to plan to take the late bus or get picked up (we are usually done by 2:45). Students will be provided with pizza (from Stefanos) during the lunch break. If anyone has a food allergy or needs a special diet, let me know and we can try and accommodate that. You are also welcome to send your child with a lunch that day. Students will be excused from class as they would a regular field trip. We ask that students are proactive in speaking with their teachers about any work they may miss. If a student needs to be in class for a part of the day then they will be excused from the performances.

Continue to keep an eye on the google calendar and have your kids check the google classroom for the most up to date information.



<p>Concert Band 12/10 - Annual holiday concert - 7pm start time.</p>	<p>Concert Attire Students will wear all black for the concert. No hats.</p>
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Featured Event Holiday Concert on December 10th - the band will perform last and lead the audience in our annual sing-a-long!





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Thinking Ahead: Please take a look at the google calendar regarding future dates. That is the best place to find information that is up to date and accurate. Also, Mansfield Band Parents continue to need workers to help at Gillette with fundraising. Visit www.mansfieldbandparents.org to sign up!

Finally - for anyone planning on participating in Marching Band (or considering it) next year - our marching band camp dates have been announced. We will have marching band camp from August 17th through August 22nd from 1pm - 9pm. Take a look at the google calendar as all of the August marching band dates have been updated.

Band camp is vital for all marching band members as it provides a chance for students to learn the marching band show with the rest of their peers. Often times when a student misses marching band camp, they feel like they have to work twice as hard through the first part of the season to get caught up. I wanted to get these dates to everyone as soon as possible so that you can try and keep them in mind when making plans for the summer.

I will be sending home a letter soon outlining summer dates and a meeting that will take place in February so that everyone can fully understand the requirements and expectations of the band program before signing up for classes for the 20/21 school year.
