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Music Boosters Newsletter

February 2006

Remember that Booster meetings are the first Thursday of every month at 7 pm in the chorus room. All WMHS and EMS parents are welcome to attend. More parents are needed to help support the music department. The next meeting will be Thursday February 2, 2006.

Instrumental Music News

Music Course Selection

Students have begun signing up for courses for next year. You can speak with Mrs Stoetzer regarding available courses, and also visit the website at www.wmmusic.org for a complete course description.

Website is up!

Please visit the instrumental music website at www.wmmusic.org. Latest news and events are included on the home page. Information regarding ensembles, courses, boosters, calendar, newsletters, and photos and sound clips are included. Feedback is welcome regarding the site.

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Calendar Dates

Please refer to the January/February calendar that was emailed, handed out to students in class, and posted on the website for upcoming events. Thank you.

Email addresses

Email addresses are needed so that grade reports can be sent home, along with other important information. If you are not receiving email and would like to, please send your email address to Mrs Stoetzer at kestoet@k12.carr.org.

CONCERT SCHEDULE

Please enter the following dates on your calendar for this school year:

Concert Dates 2006

February 22: Solo and Ensemble Recital 7 pm (ALL INSTRUMENTAL STUDENTS)
Monday March 6: Rehearsal 6-8 pm
Wednesday March 8: Festival Concert 7pm (Band II, Orchestra, Percussion)
Wednesday March 22: District Festival during school day (Orchestra, Band II, Percussion)
Friday April 21: In-school rehearsal for joint concert 9am-4pm (Band II, perc as needed)
Saturday April 22: Joint concert with FSK. Rehearsal 10 am –1 pm, concert at 7 pm (Band II, perc as needed)
Monday May 15: Rehearsal 6-8 pm
Monday May 22: Rehearsal 6-8 pm
Tuesday May 23: Spring Concert I 7pm (Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble)
Wednesday May 24: Spring Concert II 7pm (Band I, Band II, Perc Ens)
Graduation: June 8, 2006 (Band I, Band II, Percussion)

Concert Dress

There have been a small amount of problems with concert dress. Some reminders:

- Men must wear black socks
- Men must wear DRESS shoes (not tennis shoes or loafers)
- Ladies' skirts must be ankle or floor length (not knee/calf length)
- Ladies must wear dress shoes
- This is a dress up occasion. Some people are not formal enough. If there is a problem with purchasing an appropriate outfit for the concert, please see Mrs Stoetzer to discuss other options.

Students who are not dressed appropriately will have the option of wearing a chorus dress or not participating in the concert.

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ENSEMBLE

SELECT CHOIR

CONCERT CHOIR

Caren Bezanson

Choral Director

January 2006

Happy New Year!

We are working hard on many things in the Choral Department! Most important is preparing for County Festival which is March 7, 2006 at Westminster High School.

I will be taking Ensemble and Select Choir to that. We will be singing the Festival pieces at the March 2nd Concert along with Concert Choir's pieces. Hope you will be there.

We had Dr. Philip Silvey from Univ. MD on Jan. 11th to work with us on our Festival music. And the end of February, Dr. Boudreaux from McDaniel will be working with us. The students do well singing under different people. It helps them to hear other opinions.

We still need more Chorus parents coming to Boosters meetings. Everyone is friendly!! And it's for a good cause. Meetings are 7PM the first Thursdays of each month. (Feb. 2nd)

Here is a list of upcoming events:

Seniors only - Senior Thank You Breakfast

Wed. Feb 15th Martin's Westminster 7:30-9:15AM

All Choruses - Choral Concert

Thurs. March 2nd 7:00PM

Ensemble only - Just Voices A Cappella Workshop

Sat. March 4, 2006 9:00-2:30

McDaniel College

Ensemble and Select Choirs - County Festival

Tues. March 7th 9:00-2:00

Westminster High School

We are busy right now with Auditions for Select Choir next year and recruiting the 8th and 9th graders for next year, since scheduling is being done now. We are also beginning rehearsals for the Spring Musical; Once Upon a Mattress (April 6-8, 2006)