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# Music Boosters Newsletter

October 2005

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**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 October 6th.**

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## FALL CONCERT

Rehearsal Tuesday October 11th from 6-8 pm (Band I, Band II, Percussion)  
Concert Monday October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

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### CONCERT SCHEDULE

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

#### Concert Dates 2005-2006

Tuesday October 11: Rehearsal 6-8 pm (Band I, Band II, Percussion)  
Monday October 17: Fall Concert 7pm (Band I, Band II)  
Monday December 5: Rehearsal 6-8 pm (Band I, Band II, Percussion)  
Tuesday December 6: Winter Concert I 7pm (Band I, Band II)  
Thursday December 8: Winter Concert II 7pm (Orchestra, Small Ensembles)  
February 22: Solo and Ensemble Recital 7 pm (ALL INSTRUMENTAL STUDENTS)  
Monday March 6: Rehearsal 6-8 pm (Band I, Band II, Percussion)  
Wednesday March 8: Festival Concert 7pm (Band I, Band II)  
**Friday April 21: In-school rehearsal for joint concert 9am-4pm (Band II, perc as needed)**  
Saturday April 22: Joint concert with FSK. Rehearsal 10am-1pm, concert at 7 pm (Band II, perc as needed))  
Monday May 15: Rehearsal 6-8 pm (Band I, Band II, Percussion)  
Monday May 22: Rehearsal 6-8 pm (Band I, Band II, Percussion)  
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)

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## Concert Dress

**Men:** Tuxedos (jacket and pants provided by the school). Black dress socks (navy socks are not acceptable). Black dress shoes (loafers are not acceptable). **Tuxedo shirt and bow tie should be ordered by the parents (information included in summer letter).**

**Women:** All black. Options include:

1. floor length or ankle length black dress
2. floor length or ankle length black skirt, black blouse
3. black dress pants, black blouse

Women should also wear black dress shoes.

**If students are not dressed appropriately for the concert, they will not perform.**

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### TRIPS

Three trips are in the process of being planned:

Friday October 7: Peabody Conservatory (9 am- 2:15 pm)

Friday October 21: Philadelphia Orchestra (approx 2pm-12 am)

Friday November 18: Towson Univ Symphonic Band (approx 6pm-11pm)

Please mark your calendars if you are interested in going. Permission slips have been sent home for October trips.

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### MARCHING BAND

Please refer to the September/October calendar that was sent home for upcoming events.

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### ALL COUNTY

Applications were due to Mrs Stoetzer by September 30<sup>th</sup>. Students should have all music. Students should receive their time sheet for auditions by the end of October/ early November.

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### ALL STATE

Nominations are due October 7<sup>th</sup>. Please see Mrs Stoetzer if you are interested in auditioning. Music is the same as All County (prepare entire piece). Please read all information carefully.

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## Chorus News

We've had a great beginning of the year! There are 4 Chorus sections this year: Chorus 1 and Chorus 2 combine into Concert Choir and Select Choir is our large auditioned group. This year we also have an elite small group: Ensemble with 22 juniors and seniors. We're definitely working on much more challenging music!

This year, all chorus students must attend one concert (other than the WMHS Choral Concert) each Semester as part of their grade. I have included a list of area concerts, dates and places. Please help your child choose one **before** Winter break (there aren't many in January). They should write a critique and tell what they enjoyed about the concert and attach the program and hand it in to me.

**Our first Choral Concert is Thurs. Oct 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm! We will not be selling tickets, but we will be taking donations!** So if you can, please give a donation. All money goes towards choral music! Students need to arrive by **6:20pm in the Chorus Room**. But this is the same night as Music Boosters meeting. We will be **starting Music Boosters early – at 6:15pm in the Band Room** so that Chorus parents may attend also! Please get involved; it's fun!

Another concert related item concerns **ONLY Concert Choir girls** (Chorus 1 and 2).

I changed my mind about the concert dress. **I would like the girls to wear a plain black top (short or long sleeves)** and a long black ankle-length skirt or long black dress pants as their uniform! I would like the black top to have a "U-shaped" neckline, not a turtleneck. And please don't forget a choker-length pearl necklace (from someplace like Claire's).

**One request;** I would like some parents to help me before the concert begins: **handing out programs, taking donations and leading one chorus to their seats.** You will not miss any of the Concert! Please let me know if you can help.  
**Thanks!**