



Fish Food

September 19, 2016

On the Band Calendar ...

SEPTEMBER

Mon 19	7:00 am- Flute Master class 4:05 pm- Tuba/Saxophone Master class 5.30 pm- Varsity Trumpet Master class 7:00-9:00 pm - Marching Rehearsal
20	7:00 am- JV Clarinet Master class 4:20-6:20pm - Marching Rehearsal
21	7:00 am- Varsity Clarinet Master class 4:20-6:20pm - Marching Rehearsal
22	7:00am- JV Trumpet Master class 4:20-6:20pm - Marching Rehearsal
Fri 23	7:00 am- Euphonium Master class 7:20am- Bass Clarinet Master class (please note day change to Friday for this week only) 4:30-10:30pm – Away Game Coppell vs. Jesuit
Sat 24	8:00 am- 11:00pm – USBands Denton Marching contest 8:00 am- 10.30 pm- Plano Drumline Contest
Mon 26	7:00 am- Flute Master class 4:05 pm- Tuba/Saxophone Master class 5.30 pm- Varsity Trumpet Master class 7:00-9:00 pm - Marching Rehearsal
27	7:00 am- JV Clarinet Master class 4:20-6:20pm - Marching Rehearsal
28	7:00 am- Varsity Clarinet Master class 4:20 PM - Homecoming parade
29	7:00am- JV Trumpet Master class 7:20am- Bass Clarinet Master class 4:20-6:20pm - Marching Rehearsal
Fri 30	7:00 am- Euphonium Master class 8:20 am- Pep Rally #3 4:30-10:30pm - Homecoming Game: Coppell vs J J Pearce
Oct 1	8:00 am- Band approved SAT Test day 7:00 pm- Homecoming Dance

News-worthy ←

CHAPERONES NEEDED: We are seeking some more chaperones to keep our students safe at games and contests. Your child will appreciate the time you spend volunteering for something they love. Chaperoning for the band is a fun and rewarding experience. Chaperones are needed for all away football games as well as marching contests. For away games, chaperones will need to be in the band hall at 5:15pm for a short meeting to go over bus assignments and duties for the evening. The job is an easy one- chaperones ride on the buses with the students and sit near the band in the stands at games. Chaperones make sure students are kept safe at all times. Marching contests are usually all day events but the responsibilities are the same. It's a great way to get to know the students and also band parents. In addition to games and contests, we have a couple of overnight trips this year. We will need chaperones to help with those trips. If you would like to be a chaperone, you must complete a CISD volunteer form. Click [HERE](#) for the background check form. Also, you need to complete the chaperone form, click [HERE](#) for that form. Completing this form will put you on our distribution list. You will be emailed a few days prior to the event and it is then that you can confirm whether or not you will be available to chaperone.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CONCESSIONS: Concessions will be open during Middle School Football Games at Coppell High School on Tuesday September 20, Tuesday October 25, Monday November 7, and Tuesday November 8. If you have not been able to help on a Friday night, this is another opportunity to help the band. Remember, revenue from Concessions helps raise money for our band program, and helps keep band fees down. The first game is tomorrow- September 20. We need your help. Click [HERE](#) to sign up.

For full calendar and itineraries, visit www.chsbandboosters.com

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: CARE TEAM

The Care Team of the Coppell High School Band is a one or two person team that helps with any special needs that a band member, band family or staff member has.

- The Care Team organizes meals for band families or staff members that have had medical issues, such as surgeries or long term illnesses. A sign-up is created and sent out to everyone.
- The Care Team also sends sympathy cards to families and staff members in the event of a death of an immediate family member.
- The Care Team also supports the Executive Board on any other special projects as needed.

The Care Team will send out need-based sign-ups via email. Please consider signing up if you are able, to help take care of our band family when they are in need.



DID YOU KNOW ?

Alternate Travel Plans

If you need to make alternate travel plans for your student to leave after a contest/performance you need to download [this form](#), fill it out, and get it to the Band Directors before Friday of the week of the contest. Without this form on file with the Band Directors, your student will not be allowed to leave with anyone other than on the band buses.

It is highly recommended that students **write their names** in their marching shoes and compression gear. They can borrow a sharpie from the uniform room if needed.

write
name
here



HOMECOMING

It's that time of year again. This year, CHS Homecoming will be on September 30, 2016.

The festivities will begin with the **Homecoming Parade** on September 28. The parade will start at 6:30 p.m on the West end of Parkway Blvd and will end at Coppell High school. The theme for the parade this year is "Under the Stars". You can come out and watch the parade anywhere on Parkway Blvd, west of CHS.

Of course the CHS band is a huge part of the homecoming parade. Your student will need to be dressed in white band t-shirt, khaki shorts and belt, shoes and white socks. And they will need their instrument.

The festivities will continue through the week. On Friday, there will be a **pep rally** (students should wear their pep rally clothes) in the morning and the **homecoming game** in the evening. *NOTE: The CHS Band will be performing the show AFTER THE GAME. The Homecoming Court will be presented at Halftime.*

The **Homecoming dance** is on Saturday Oct 1. There is no band contest that weekend.

ALL-REGION/AREA/STATE MASTER CLASSES

Master classes are provided to help prepare the students for their upcoming all-region/area/state auditions. For questions, check with your student's private lesson teacher.

Current Master Class Schedule ***

Monday

7:00-8:00am - Flute
4:00-5:00pm - Tuba
4:05-5:05pm - Saxophone
5:30-6:30pm - Varsity Trumpet

Tuesday

7:00-8:00am - JV Clarinet

Wednesday

7:00-8:00am - Varsity Clarinet

Thursday

7:00-8:00am - JV Trumpet
7:20-8:00am - Bass Clarinet

Friday

7:00-8:00am - Euphonium

*** Unless otherwise specified on calendar

Questions? Email us... Freshman@chsbandoosters.com



MARCHING CONTEST ITINERARIES

SATURDAY

24

SEPTEMBER

Event: **U.S Bands Denton
Marching Contest**

Location: **C.H. Collins Athletic
Complex (Denton ISD)**

10:00am - Student Call time at CHS
10:30am - Pre-Contest Stadium Rehearsal
(CHS Stadium)
11:30am - Pre-Contest Rehearsal Ends - EPL
(eat/pack/load) - Lunch provided by CHS
Band Boosters
12:30pm - Full Ensemble Meeting (Band Hall)
1:00pm - Depart Coppell HS for show site
1:45pm - Arrive at show site
2:45pm - Warm-up Begins
3:30pm - Warm-up Ends
3:45pm - Report to Gate
4:00pm - Prelims Performance
4:15pm - Meet/Return to change/load
equipment
4:30pm - Prelims Awards Ceremony
5:00pm - Ensemble Meeting/Prepare for Finals
(if advancing)
TBD - Dinner in the lot (provided by CHS Band
Boosters)
6:30pm - Finals begin
10:00pm - Finals end
10:15pm - Finals Awards Ceremony
10:45pm - Depart for Coppell HS
11:30pm - Arrival at Coppell HS - please have
a ride waiting

REMEMBER TO BRING...

- Clean compression gear
- Two pair black socks
- Black marching shoes
- Athletic shorts/T-Shirt to wear over
compression gear
- Gloves
- Marchers with long hair- Brush, Ponytail
holders, Bobby pins, Hair spray &/or gel
- Water Jug
- Garment bag
- Instrument

SATURDAY

08

OCTOBER

Event: **BOA Dallas Regional**

Location: **Clark Stadium in Plano**

4:30am - Student Call time at CHS
4:45am - Full Ensemble Meeting (Band Hall)
5:00am - Depart Coppell HS for Clark Stadium
5:30am - Arrive at Clark Stadium
6:25am - Warm-up Begins
7:10am - Warm-up Ends
7:20am - Report to Gate
7:30am - Prelims Performance
7:45am - Post-performance Photo
8:15am - Meet/Return to change/load
equipment
8:45am - Depart Clark Stadium for CHS
9:30am - Arrive at CHS - go home and take a
nap
2:00pm - Student Call time at CHS
2:15pm - Full Ensemble Meeting (Band Hall)
2:45pm - Depart Coppell HS for Clark Stadium
3:30pm - Arrive at Clark Stadium
4:00pm - Return to the stands to watch
remaining bands
5:00pm - Prelims Awards Ceremony
5:30pm - Ensemble Meeting/Prepare for Finals
(if advancing)
6:00pm - Dinner (provided by CHS Band
Boosters)
6:30pm - Finals begin
10:00pm - Finals end
10:30pm - Full Retreat Finals Award Ceremony
11:15pm - Depart for Coppell HS
12:00am - Arrival at Coppell HS - please have a
ride waiting

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CONTESTS, CONTESTS, CONTESTS... MAKING SENSE OF IT ALL

MARCHING CONTESTS

UIL State marching band contest is held by Texas UIL to determine the State Champion of High School Marching Bands. Each high school falls into one of 6 categories (1A to 6A) depending on size. Bands from 1A, 2A, 3A, and 5A go to State in odd numbered years. Bands from 4A and 6A (CHS) go to State in even numbered years. To qualify for the State championship in San Antonio, bands have to advance through Region UIL and Area UIL competitions.

Bands of America (BOA) is another organization that holds marching band competitions for high school students. Bands that place in the top at the Regional Contest will advance to the Super Regional Championships (held in San Antonio for CHS). Schools can also take part in the Grand National Championships. Historically, CHS Band has participated in the BOA Super Regional in San Antonio in odd years (Remember- State is in even years)- we will still take part in the BOA Region contest (to practice and get an idea of where we stand in competition) so don't be confused if you see BOA Regional on the calendar. We just won't be going to the BOA Super Regional in San Antonio.

In addition to the above, CHS band will take part in various **other marching contests** organized by different ISDs or organizations. All these contests help prepare the band to perform for an audience in a show atmosphere.

All marching contests are open to a public audience. Tickets, if needed, can be purchased at the gate.

BUT WAIT...THERE ARE EVEN MORE CONTESTS...

SOLO CONTESTS

TMEA Band/Orchestra contests: The 4 month long competitive process begins with auditions for All-Region Orchestra in November (not all instruments can audition for Orchestra) and All-Region Band in December. Students advancing at the Region contests compete with musicians from other regions at the Area audition in January. If they make it past Area, they get to perform with the TMEA All State Band/orchestra in February. All State is the highest honor a Texas high school musician can receive.

UIL State Solo Contest: UIL Region Solo and Ensemble contest will take place in February. Students earning a Division One Rating at the region competition and who have their solos memorized will be eligible to advance to the UIL State Solo and Ensemble Contest in Austin in May.

UIL REGION 31 BAND CONCERT AND SIGHT READING

CONTEST This is similar to the middle school contest that your child would have participated in. It takes place in March during concert season. All CHS Bands will compete.

In addition, percussion and color guard have their own contests.

Me and my SHADOW

All band students go to contests. Alternates/shadows are very important in case someone is injured or gets sick, and they also help with props and equipment.



CONTEST PATCHES, T-SHIRTS AND OTHER SOUVENIRS

At every contest, you will find a merchandise table where you can buy contest patches, t-shirts, and random stuff like miniature trumpets and other tchotchkes. So, if you're like I was as a freshman parent, and are thoroughly confused as to what you should purchase, the answer is simple – It is entirely up to you and your band student.



Ask yourself- does your kid want to fill up his closet with a t-shirt from every single contest? Do you think she will want to make a band t-shirt quilt after 4 years? If that's the case, by all means, go ahead and purchase a souvenir t-shirt at all the contests. If not, put your wallet away and be happy you can save some \$\$\$. Souvenir t-shirts are nice to have but are not required, and buying one is a personal choice.

Contest Patches can also be purchased at the contests but do not worry if you forget to buy one, run out of time or do not end up going to the contest. You will have a chance to order patches from our patch parent at the end of the school year. Patches are usually sewn onto their school letter jackets (but can be used anywhere else as well)

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