

Band Booster Update

News – February 9, 2012

Reminder:

From the Band Director:

Band Students and Families,

We are rocking and rolling through February! Great work is happening all around us, so let's keep our momentum moving forward. Now is not the time to slow down.

Items to keep in mind as we storm toward Spring Break:

- **Colorado Forms and Payments are due.** All waiver forms and payments were due Feb. 3rd. I sent an email out on this, but we absolutely need all information in ASAP. Do not be the ones holding us back from staying current with the travel company. If you're in a bind, communicate with me please. At least, then, we could coordinate an alternative plan. Please also email us your ski/lessons option if you have not done so. There is no official form for this – an email message will suffice.
- **Mandatory Meeting for Colorado Travelers – Tuesday, March 20th – 6:30pm in the PAC at BV West.** At least every family traveling must have a representative there. Our detailed itinerary and final pre-travel details/prep suggestions will be shared then.
- **Dinner of Note Ad Sales and Silent Auction Donations.** This is an ongoing process for all. Many of you have sold ads for the program – some are racking up \$100's of dollars toward their student ledger – WOW! Others....well...need a little ummph and help. This is your opportunity to offset fees for next year. In regards Silent Auction items, Michele Dill and Eileen Weber are in full steam coordinating this. They need everyone's help in getting great items for our auction that night! Again, money raised comes right off fee payments for next year.
- **Mark your calendars for the February Band Concert on Tuesday, the 21st at 7:00pm in our Performing Arts Center.** Both PRMS and LKMS 8th grade bands will be featured, as well as our Concert and Symphonic Bands. We will all combine for one last tune – you won't want to miss it! Call times will be out in the next week or with more details. But plan concert black clothes, a slightly early arrival time for warm-up, and a full auditorium that night.
- We recently had many of our West band students participate in the UMKC Honor Band Festival and KU's Prairie Winds Honor Band Festival. I'm so happy that we have students going above and beyond, outside of the classroom, working and playing extra on their horns. Participating in

honor bands is a blast! Thanks for representing West, our band, and our commitment to excellence.

Let's make it a great month,

Mr. Kirk

Daniel Kirk

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From the Assistant Band Director:

Band Family,

Below are some friendly reminders of upcoming events and performances for the month of February. This month will go by quickly! Please be sure that you submit all of the proper paperwork and information regarding our Colorado Trip ASAP!

February 2012 Events/Performances:

- **Monday February 6, 2012:** Pep Band Game – 6:15 PM Call Time
- **Tuesday February 7, 2012:** Pep Band Game – 6:15 PM Call Time
- **Friday February 10, 2012:** Pep Band Game (Double Header) – 5:30 PM Call Time

- **Monday February 13, 2012:** Band Booster Meeting
- **Wednesday February 15, 2012 @ 7:30 pm: Symphonic Band performs with K-State Wind Ensemble**
 - McCain Auditorium, Kansas State University Manhattan, KS
 - Admission is free!

- **Tuesday February 21, 2012 @ 7:00 pm: Band Concert in BVW PAC**
 - Featuring the BVW Symphonic Band, BVW Concert Band, PRMS 8th Grade Band, and LKMS 8th Grade Band
 - This will feature a final piece played by all four performing ensembles!

If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

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Thanks, and **GO JAGS!**

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Presidents Corner:

Co-President's Update:

We are looking forward to the Booster Meeting this coming Monday at 7:30pm in the Little Theatre with the election of officers. Also don't forget the February 21st concert at 7pm in the PAC.

We want to thank all of the parents who donated their time and talents to the Booster club this last year. We truly believe that the success of the band program is directly tied to your hard work and dedication. Thanks again for all that you do.

Mark and Jill Brady
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From Operations:

No news this week.

Mark Bushouse & Craig Hennerberg

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Social Committee

Alumni Night: Thank you to those who helped out on Alumni Night way back on Jan. 6: Eileen Weber, Penny Lovell, and Chris Snyder. Thank you, too, to those who sent in desserts.

Sound Bite: Thank you to Maria Nordstrom for stepping in and helping set up and serve food for the 8th Grade Sound Bite event. I really appreciated it!

Dessert Social, Feb. 21 Band Concert: Sherry St. Louis is coordinating this event. She'll be sending out a request for volunteers to provide desserts. We'll need a lot of desserts and a few helpers, so please consider volunteering. At this one, you'll definitely get to eat, too!

Spaghetti Supper, March 23, West Area Band Festival:

Do you enjoy social events and meeting new people? This is the event for you! Maybe you love to cook for large groups; we've got a great opportunity for you!

This event needs TWO leaders: An event leader and a kitchen manager.

