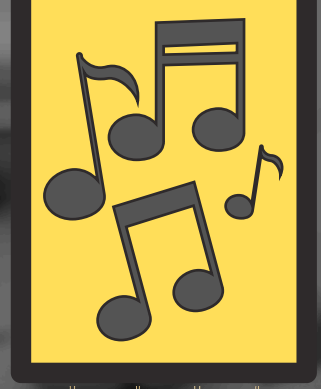


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THE NAVO BAND WEEKLY BEAT

The official weekly newsletter of the
Navo Middle School Panther Band



Happy New Year 2025

UPCOMING DATES:



Jan 24 - All-District Clinic and Concert (only those that made the All-District Band)

Feb 18 - Side by Side Rehearsal at Braswell (Symphonic Band)

Feb 20 - Pre-UIL Performance at Braswell (Symphonic Band) - evening

Feb 25 - Noodles and Notes Jazz Concert at Braswell (Jazz Ensemble) - evening

Feb 28 - Percussion Bash (Braswell Zone Percussion Concert - All Percussion Students) - all day rehearsal and evening concert

Mar 3 - Side by Side Rehearsal at Braswell (Honors Band)

Mar 5-6 - UIL (date and time TBD) for Symphonic Band at Argyle HS

Mar 18 - Pre-UIL Performance at Braswell (Honors Band)

Apr 9-10 - UIL (date and time TBD) for Honors Band at Byron Nelson HS

Apr 17 - Epic Waters Music Festival for all eligible Honors Band, Symphonic Band, and Jazz Ensemble - during day

Apr 28 - Spring Concert for all students at Braswell HS Auditorium - 6:30pm

May 1 - Trinity Music Festival for all eligible Beginner Band at Main Event in Frisco - during school day

May 12 - Solo and Ensemble Contest for ALL STUDENTS at Navo MS - evening

There will be additional dates added for 8th graders as they make their transition to be Braswell Band students - I'll have those dates as we get closer to those events.

Hello parents and students and **Happy New Year** to all of you! We are excited about the semester ahead. We've got a lot of fun things planned for this semester. With these things plus the other events throughout the semester, our expectation is that students give 100% by attending their sectionals and rehearsals as well as practicing and preparing for these events. I'll be reaching out to you as we get closer to each event with more details and to ask about parent volunteers who can help as chaperones, food helpers after contest, etc. Thanks in advance for being willing to help out!

Beginner Band Notes

Beginner Band Brass and Woodwind classes will be starting a big unit on Tetrachords and Scales. These are the fundamental building blocks for ALL music that we play. Our percussion students will be continuing fundamentals and preparing for the percussion concert in February. Remember...beginner band is the year that prepares students for what Band is really all about. Starting in 7th grade and continuing in high school, band looks a lot different and is WAY FUN (I mean it's fun now...but even MORE fun)!!! So keep band on your schedule when you pick classes next year and keep working hard!!!

Advanced Band Notes

Advanced Bands have a lot of upcoming events that will require sectionals and extra rehearsals outside of school. A new sectional schedule will start this week for our Honors and Symphonic Band students that will be required of them as we prepare for our UIL contest in March/April and spring festivals in April (see page 2). We will not allow students to participate in our festivals/contests if sectionals are not regularly attended. Please also keep an eye each week on the Upcoming Dates to the left for all of the events that are happening! It's going to be a great semester!!!

Advanced Band Weekly Sectional Schedule

Spring 2025

HB = Honors Band and SB = Symphonic Band

Sectionals are required for all students in Honors Band and Symphonic Band. For morning sectionals, we will let students in the building from 6:45-7:00am at the back door entrance of the building by the portables and cafeteria. We can not prop the doors open, so students must arrive early enough to be let in before we begin teaching at 7am. Thank you for your understanding.

	7:00-7:45 AM	3:45-4:30 PM
Mon		
Tue	SB Alto Sax, Tenor Sax, and French Horn HB Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, and Trumpet	SB Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Bassoon, Bari Sax, and Bass Clarinet HB Alto Sax and French Horn
Wed		HB Percussion
Thu		
Fri	SB Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, and Trumpet	HB Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, and Bassoon

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