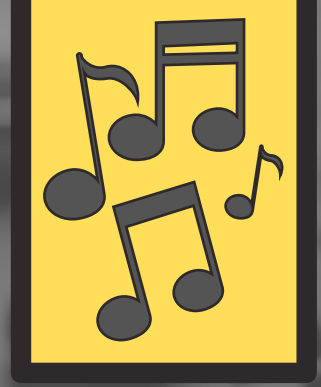


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# THE NAVO BAND WEEKLY BEAT

The official weekly newsletter of the  
Navo Middle School Panther Band



## UPCOMING DATES:



- **Jan 19** - All-District Clinic and Concert (for those selected) - email will be sent with info. @Ryan HS
- **Jan 22** - 8th Grade Transition Night
- **Jan 30** - 5th Fine Arts Showcase at Navo (Honors Band and other fine arts groups to perform during school)
- **Feb 5** - Pre-Uil At Ryan HS (Honors Band and Symphonic Band) - during school day
- **Feb 7-9** - All directors at Texas Music Educators Association Conference in San Antonio
- **Feb 13** - Symphonic to BHS for Side-by-Side Rehearsal(during school)
- **Feb 22** - Honors Band to BHS for Side-by-Side Rehearsal (during school)
- **Feb 22** - Pre-UIL Cluster Concert at Braswell (Honors Band and Symphonic Band) - 6:30pm
- **Mar 2** - Cluster Percussion Concert at Braswell
- **Mar 7** - Symphonic Band UIL (time TBD...early AM)
- **Mar 26/27** - Honors Band UIL (date and time TBD)
- **Apr 11** - Trinity Music Festival/Main Event (Beginner Band)
- **Apr 12** - Pride of Texas Festival/Pinstack (Advanced Bands)
- **Apr 29** - Spring Concert at Braswell HS 6:30pm
- **May 13** - Solo/Ensemble Contest



I hope everyone is enjoying their chilly three-day weekend. We even got a dusting of snow! As I add/finalize dates to the calendar (or make time changes), I'll update that in red at the left. I've also added an 8th grade section to the newsletter that I'll keep up-to-date with 8th grade HS info.

## Beginner Band Notes

The 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 March.

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

We have a lot of upcoming events for the Advanced Bands 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 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 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!!!

**Symphonic Band Percussion Sectionals has been added to the sectional list...they will be every Tuesday morning with the Symphonic Brass**

**Due to All-District this Friday, Friday sectionals (both AM and PM) for Honors Band is canceled this week.**

# 8th Grade-

8th Grade Families - This section of the newsletter will be here often this semester to share information that involve only 8th grade as they head up to high school and specifically as it concerns band in high school. The first event will be 8th grade transition night at Braswell on January 22nd. Here's the info:

## 8th Grade Transition Night - January 22 at Braswell HS

6:00 - Band parent meeting for 8th grade parents/student in Band Room at Braswell

6:30-8:00- Transition Night

## Advanced Band Weekly Sectional Schedule Spring 2024

7:00-8:00am      3:45-4:45pm

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Mon		HB Clarinet ALL TUBAS
Tue	SB Brass (except Tuba) SB Percussion	HB Bassoon HB Trombone/Euphonium
Wed	SB Woodwinds (option 1) *Only need to attend 1 of the 2 options	
Thu	HB Saxophone HB Trumpet	HB Horn SB Woodwinds (option 2) *Only need to attend 1 of the 2 options
Fri	HB Flute/Oboe	HB Full Band Rehearsal with HB Percussion

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 it is important that students arrive early enough to be let in before we begin teaching at 7am. Thank you for your understanding.

**HB = Honors Band and  
SB = Symphonic Band**

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