

February 19, 2018

Weekly Navo Band Newsletter for Beginner Band:

Good evening! I hope you all have enjoyed the 3-day weekend! Mr. Hudson and I are back from our Texas Music Educators Association Conference and are so excited to see the students tomorrow!

Sandy Lake Funfest is just around the corner. We will need volunteers/chaperones. If you are interested, make sure you are set-up with the district to volunteer. Here's the link: <http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/48779>

A note about Mrs. Anderson's scale pass-offs:

Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Oboe, and Bassoon Parents – The students have been working on passing off all of their one-octave scales. There are 13 in total (12 major scales and 1 Chromatic scale). We have been learning the scales since January (some we started last semester). Once students are able to play the scale correctly using their music, we mark it on our classroom sticker chart. I have put in what scales they have completed so far in HAC for you to look at. If the scale grade is blank, the student has not passed off the scale for me correctly yet. Students have unlimited chances throughout the nine weeks to pass off the scales. We want them to master the scale no matter how long it takes each student. I will be putting MSG in the grade book next weekend for scales not passed off yet. These scales that are marked MSG will still be able to be passed off, but I want students to see what their grade would be if they don't pass them off. Some students are pushing ahead and passing off their full range scales (more than one octave...a requirement for next nine weeks) and some are passing them off from memory (a requirement for our top ensemble next year). Students can come before or after school (please have students arrange with me first to make sure I'm not running a sectional for my older students) and help during advisory time on Tuesdays and Fridays if they get a pass from me in advance.

Upcoming dates for Beginner Band

MARCH

- **Saturday, March 3** – Dress Rehearsal for BHS Cluster Percussion Bash at Braswell HS (Beginner Class involved)
- **Friday, March 9** – BHS Percussion Bash Performance (Beginner Class Performing)

APRIL

- **Tuesday, April 10** – Beginner Band Rehearsal afterschool 3:45-4:45pm
- **Wednesday, April 11** – Beginner Band Rehearsal afterschool 3:45-4:45pm
- **Thursday, April 12** – Sandy Lake FunFest Band Contest (all day @Sandy Lake Park – Band T-Shirt and Jeans)

MAY

- **Thursday, May 3** – Beginner Band Rehearsal afterschool 3:45-4:45pm
- **Friday, May 4** – Spring Concert at Braswell (Sunday Best Attire)
- **May TBA** – Solo/Ensemble Contest (the week of May 7-12)

Sincerely,

Mrs. Anderson

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