

SOUTHMOORE BAND BULLETIN

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WELL THE WEATHER OUTSIDE...

The time between Thanksgiving and Christmas is a fun time as we reinforce and enhance our musical skills and prepare for our first series of “sit-down” concerts!

CHAMBER MUSIC FAST FACTS REHEARSALS BEGIN NOVEMBER 27

Chamber music is an important and vital part of a well-rounded music education. Southmoore has an established and extremely active chamber music program. Here are the fast facts:

- ❖ Chamber music consists of solos (music played alone or with a piano accompaniment) and ensembles (small groups of like instruments, i.e. a trumpet trio).
- ❖ Chamber music experiences often require the performer to play a part alone, increasing their musical responsibility and their musicianship as a result.
- ❖ All students participate in chamber music (note, there are no exceptions for winter percussion or Winterguard students). Students are assigned to groups and are expected to attend the weekly after school rehearsals.
 - Percussion Ensembles will be organized in class and rehearsals times set up directly with the students.
- ❖ Chamber Music Groups perform at OSSAA District Solo Ensemble Contest on February 16, 2019. The contest is hosted by Southmoore and on our campus. Groups perform for a judge who assigns a rating.
- ❖ Solos and/or Ensembles earning a Superior rating at District Contest earn a performance at the State Solo/Ensemble Contest on April 18, 2019 at Oklahoma State University.
- ❖ Any band student may perform a solo for contest. The solo sign up form is online at southmooreband.com under the resources tab.
- ❖ All Wind Ensemble Students are required to perform a solo.
- ❖ Fees to perform a solo are \$10 per solo and \$40 for a piano accompanist. Students advancing to state solo competition will have their fees covered by the band program.
- ❖ Please note – this year may be the final year we participate in OSSAA solo and ensemble contest. We are exploring new methods and venues for future chamber music events.

WIND ENSEMBLE CHRISTMAS GROUPS

DECEMBER 3 - 7

- ❖ In order to bring the joy and happiness to the season, the Wind Ensemble will learn a book of Christmas tunes and go on the road to five elementary schools and our feeder junior high concerts.
- ❖ Wind Ensemble Students will be divided into 5 small groups for each elementary school and 2 larger groups to perform at the two 7th Grade Band Concerts.
- ❖ Performance dates are listed on the calendar.
- ❖ Be on the lookout for the viral video of the interpretive dance sequence.

2019 WINTER CONCERT SERIES

You may recall that last year we held two winter concerts and the seating has limited and caused people to get grumpy. I am sure that you will agree, this is no time of year for the Grinch to attend a concert, so we expanded to three concerts (and two 7th Grade Concerts) to help alleviate the issue. Students will perform in dress black unless announced otherwise in class.

December 10 – The Original Winter Concert

- ❖ 7:00 PM – SHS Auditorium
- ❖ Performing Groups include: 8th Grade Highland West Band, 8th Grade Southridge Junior High Band, 6th Hour SHS Jazz Band, SHS Wind Ensemble

December 11 – Highland West JH 7th Grade Concert

- ❖ 6:30 PM – Highland West JH Gymnasium
- ❖ Performing Groups include: 7th Grade Highland West JH Band, HWJH Alumni Wind Ensemble Christmas Group

December 14 – The Swinging Sequel Winter Concert

- ❖ 7:00 PM – Southmoore HS Auditorium
- ❖ Performing Groups include: 3rd Hour Jazz Band, 5th Hour Jazz Band, 6th Hour SHS Jazz Band

December 17 – The Final Winter Concert

- ❖ 7:00 PM – Southmoore HS Auditorium
- ❖ Performing Groups include: SHS Freshmen Concert Band, SHS Symphonic Band, SHS Wind Ensemble

December 18 – Southridge JH 7th Grade Concert

- ❖ 7:00 PM – Southridge JH Cafeteria
- ❖ Performing Groups include: 7th Grade Southridge JH Band, Brink/SJH Alumni Wind Ensemble Christmas Group

LONDON TRIP NOTES

❖ WE NEED ALL TRIP ATENDEES TO LOGIN TO CHARMS AND UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION.

- We will be utilizing the Charms features to push out trip updates and securely collect personal information needed for travel.
- All trip payments have been entered and are accessible for viewing in Charms, this includes adult/sibling payments.
- All non-band students have an account created in Charms exclusively for this trip. E-mail Mr. Mewhorter to access your login information.
- At this point, please make sure your e-mail address and your date of birth is correctly listed in Charms. After the April 15 deadline we will collect more info as needed (passport #, etc.).
- Band Students may use your normal Charms login and then check your “trip ledger” for payments.

❖ The next London payment (\$650) is due on January 15, 2019.

CLOSING TIDBITS

❖ The Printable Spring Calendar will be released soon. Check the online calendar for upcoming events.

❖ Band jacket order form is online at southmooreband.com. Sale ends tonight!

“People haven't always been there for me but music always has.” ~ Taylor Swift

SOUTHMOORE BAND CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 18, 2018 THROUGH JANUARY 15, 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18	19	20	21	22	21	24
	Thanksgiving Break					
25	26 6:30 PM Winterguard Parent Info Meeting	27 3:30 - 5:30 PM WW Chamber Music Rehearsal	28	29 3:30 - 5:30 PM Brass Chamber Music Rehearsal	30	December 1 10 AM - 7 PM Final Round OMEA All-State Auditions @ Westmoore High School
2	3 10:30 AM - 2:15 PM Wind Ensemble Elementary Tour to Oakridge	4 10:30 AM - 2:15 PM Wind Ensemble Elementary Tour to Wayland Bonds 3:30 - 5:30 PM WW Chamber Music Rehearsal	5 10:30 AM - 2:15 PM Wind Ensemble Elementary Tour to Southgate-Rippetoe	6 10:30 AM - 2:15 PM Wind Ensemble Elementary Tour to Kelly 3:30 - 5:30 PM Brass Chamber Music Rehearsal	7 10:30 AM - 2:15 PM Wind Ensemble Elementary Tour to Santa Fe	8
9	10 7:00 PM The Original Winter Concert (SJH/HWJH 8 th Grade Bands, Wind Ensemble/6 th Hour Jazz)	11 3:30 - 5:30 PM WW Chamber Music Rehearsal 6:30 PM HWJH 7 th Grade Band Concert	12	13 3:30 - 5:30 PM Brass Chamber Music Rehearsal	14 7:00 PM The Swinging Sequel Winter Concert "The Swinging Sequel" (All Jazz Bands)	15
16	17 7:00 PM The Final Winter Concert "Part 3: A Winter Story" (Freshmen Band/ Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble)	18 3:30 - 5:30 PM WW Chamber Music Rehearsal 7:00 PM SJH 7th Grade Band Concert	19	22 3:30 - 5:30 PM Brass Chamber Music Rehearsal	21 End of the First Semester	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Winter Break					
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