# PHMS BAND NEWSLETTER

**FEBRUARY 2020** 

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YOUR STUDENT IS CURPENTLY WORKING ON THEIR LEVEL 1 SCALES AND DIFFERENT FUNDAMENTALS, AS WELL LEARNING SOME "BIG KID" CONCEPTS IN BAND CLASS!

Brass/woodwind - Students only have 2 assignments due each week (on tuesdays). Students can choose to pass these objectives off early either in class or on canvas.

Percussion is getting ready for their percussion concert on February 22!!

#### **PIN STACK CONTEST**

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

FEB 14/17 - NO SCHOOL
FEB 20 - MS. MALLOW IN CLASS!
FEB 21 - PERCUSSION DRESS REHEARSAL @ REEDY @ 5-7:30PM
FEB 22 - PERCUSSION CLUSTER CONCERT @ 7PM; STUDENT ARTIVAL @ 4PM
FEB 21 - PIN STACK \$30 DUE

# Preparing for UIL

WHAT IS UIL?

UIL IS THE BIGGEST COMPETITION OF THE YEAR FOR SYMTHE ADVANCED BANDS. STUDENTS HAVE TO PREPARE 3 SONGS TO A VERY HIGH CALIBER AND PERFORM THEM FOR JUDGES.

#### **MUSIC PASS-OFFS**

STUDENTS ARE PASSING-OFF MUSIC TWICE A WEEK. ON HAC, YOU WILL SEE THESE GRADES AS "UIL PASS OFF". THIS GRADE IS THE AVERAGE OF THE PASS-OFFS THAT YOUR CHILD COMPLETED THAT WEEK. THESE ARE MAJOR GRADES.

**REQUIRED CLINICS/REHEARSALS** 

ALL BANDS WILL HAVE A FEW EXTRA REHEARSAL/CLINICS TO PREPARE FOR THIS CONTEST!

PLEASE CHECK YOUR STUDENT'S BAND PAGE FOR SPECIFIC DATES AND TIMES OF THE CLINICS/REHEARSALS.

\*\*NOTE - students must complete their UIL pass-offs AND attend ALL of their clinics/rehearsals to compete at UIL\*\*\*

### **Concert Band**

#### **CLINICS/REHEARSAL**

CONCERT BAND WILL BE HAVING THEIR CLINICS DURING CLASS TIME!

WE WILL BE BRINGING IN SOME SPECIAL GUEST BAND DIRECTORS TO WORK WITH OUR KIDS!

STUDENTS HAVE ONE CANVAS ASSIGNMENT DUE EACH FRIDAY. STUDENTS ALSO HAVE A SIGHT READING ASSIGNMENT DUE IN CLASS EACH WEEK. THESE GRADES WILL BE AVERAGED TOGETHER EACH WEEK IN HAC AS ONE MAJOR GRADE TITLED "UIL PASS OFF"

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## Symphonic Band

#### **SECTIONAL CHANGES**

WEEK OF FEB 24 - NO SECTIONALS - WE WILL HAVE A UIL CLINIC INSTEAD

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Feb 11 - Side-By-Side Rehearsal @ Reedy @ 2:00-4:45PM (required) \*\*\*Note - Bus will drop off - Parents will pick up at Reedy @ 4:45

FeB 21 - Percussion dress rehearsal @ Reedy 5-7:30Pm FeB 22 - Percussion concert @ Reedy 7:00Pm Student arrival @ 4PM FeB 24 - UIL CLINIC 4:00-5:30 \*required

### Wind Ensemble

#### **SECTIONAL CHANGES**

Week of Feb 3 - Normal Sectional Schedule! Feb 11 - No Sectionals - Side by Side Fehearsal Instead Week of Feb 17 - Normal Sectional Schedule Week of Feb 24 - No Sectionals - 2 UIL CLINICS INSTEAD

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

FEB 7 - SOLO CONTEST @ PHMS
FEB 11 - SIDE BY SIDE REHEATSAL @ REEDY @ 7:15AM (TEQUITED)
\*\*\*NOTE - PATENTS DTOP OFF @ REEDY - BUS WILL TTANSPORT TO PHMS
FEB 21 - PERCUSSION DRESS REHEATSAL @ REEDY 5-7:30PM
FEB 22 - PERCUSSION CONCERT @ REEDY 7:00PM; STUDENT ARTIVAL @ 4PM
FEB 24 - UIL CLINIC WITH MT. WILLIAMS 4:00-5:30PM (NO PERCUSSION)
FEB 26 - UIL CLINIC WITH MTS. COOLEY 4:00-6:30PM - EVERYONE! (DINNER SERVED FROM 6:30-7:00PM)