

GMS Band News

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Practice Logs

Practice logs are checked the second day of each week. Second quarter practice logs will be collected on Tuesday, December 18th.

Symphonic Band Rehearsals

The GMS Symphonic Band will begin rehearsals in February 2008 in preparation for their district performance, scheduled for April 19th, 2008. Please check the band calendar as rehearsals and performances are a large portion of the student's grade.

Band Student Photos

Band student photo orders were due December 3rd. You may still submit orders, but the prints might not get home in time for Christmas.

Solo & Ensemble

Students who are planning to perform in the Solo & Ensemble Festival in February should be practicing their music and be prepared to play a substantial portion of the music for Mr. Srigley by Wednesday December 19th. There will be times available before and after school, and students may sign up in the band room.

What is Solo & Ensemble?

Solo & Ensemble is a Florida Bandmasters Association Music Performance Assessment where students perform either solos with a piano accompaniment, or in a small ensemble within their instrument family. Their performance is assessed by an FBA adjudicator who also provides constructive feedback. This is great activity for students to further the musical skills they are learning in the band class, however, students should be committed to practicing the appropriate amount of time to perform successfully. The dates for Solo & Ensemble are February 1-2, 2007.

GMS Band Winter Concert

Information on the concert next Monday, December 10, was sent home this week with the students. Be sure to read it carefully, and make sure your child's uniform is ready.

Help Needed - Please call Gayle D'Haeseleer, 231-5402, if you can chaperone. We also need adults who can meet at school at 2:00 on the day of the concert to help load the truck, and adults to meet at the PAC at 2:45 to unload the truck and set up equipment.

Chaperones will need to wear a teal-colored band shirt and black pants to this event

Dolphin Dash Report:

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the 2007 Dolphin Dash so successful! There are far too many helpers involved with the Dolphin Dash to be able list them all. But be assured that you are known and appreciated! Together with our band students and their parents, we raised over \$5,000 of our annual budget. Thanks to the Jazz Band, also, for entertaining us! Our Dolphin Dash sponsors:

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Our other donors:

- Dunkin' Donuts
- Golden River Groves
- Kathy Taube, band parent, of Island Awning, for donating our race banners
- Libby Harrow of Orchid Island Bikes and Rentals for being our Lead Cyclist
- Zephyrhills Water, who donated all our water
- Natalie's Orchid Island Fruit Company for the orange juice
- Sam's
- Target

Band Honors!

Luke DiSandro, 7th grade percussionist, was recently selected to the Florida All-State Band! The All-State Band meets in Tampa during the month of January and performs at the Tampa Convention Center. Vada Griffin, Zach Maes, Daniel Boling, and Thomas Holman were all recently selected to the Four County Honor Band that meets and performs at Indian River Community College during the month of January! Congratulations to all!

The Gifford Middle School Percussion Ensemble was selected last year based on auditions to perform at the Florida Music Educators Association State Conference. These students will be performing at the Tampa Convention center on January 10th, 2008.

The members of the GMS Percussion Ensemble are: Daniel Boling, Tim Braun, Connor Davidson, Luke DiSandro, Chris Dixon, Matt Hughes, Adam Lambeth, Andrew Lambeth, Sarah McCain, Colin Milwood, Ryan Rose, Trey Tench, and Matt Woodson.

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Call Gayle to chaperone events

Calendar

January

January 22, 25, 26..... Four County Honor Band @ IRCC

February

February 1-2 Solo & Ensemble Festival
Lincoln Park Academy
February 7..... Sym. Flutes 3 - 4:00 P.M.
February 12..... Sym. Clarinets 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
February 14..... Sym. Saxophones 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
February 19..... Sym. Trumpets 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
February 21..... Sym. Horns 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
February 26..... Sym. Trombones & Baritones
3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
February 28..... Sym. Tubas and Low Woodwinds
3:00 – 4:00 P.M.

March

March 3..... Vidalia Onion Fundraiser Kick-Off
March 4..... Sym. Percussion 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
March 6..... Sym. Brass 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
March 11..... Sym. Woodwinds 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
March 13..... Sym. Brass 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
March 18..... Sym. Woodwinds 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
March 24, 26, & 27..... IR County Music Festival @ SRHS

April

April 8..... Sym. Full Band 3:00 – 4:00 P.M.
April 15..... Sym. Full Band 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
at Rehearsal and Pre-Festival Concert @ TBA
April 19..... GMS Band performs at District Concert Festival at St Lucie West Centennial High School
April 26..... Vidalia Onion Delivery

May

May 10..... GMS Band End of Year Trip TBA
May 13..... GMS Band Spring Concert 7:30 P.M.
@ TBA
May 16..... GMS Band Awards/Social 7:00 P.M.
@ GMS



