

BAND - WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FEB 1 - 5

Happy snow days! Here's the latest...

Band Boosters Board Meeting postponed to Feb. 8 @ 7 PM

February Booster General Meeting is on Feb 25 @ 7:30 PM

Please note that AP Night is also on Feb. 25, but starts at 7 PM. We hope that a later start time for the Booster Meeting will allow interested parents to attend both events.

Festival Assessment due by Feb. 9

Information about this year's Festival Assessment was given to all students in class last week. If you didn't receive it, you can find it at www.fvbb.com.

Payment of \$34 should be made by cash or check to **BBFV**. Put payment in a sealed white envelope. Put your child's name on the front of the envelope. Drop the envelope in the white box at the front of the band room next to the computer.

Please make payment in a timely fashion. We want to bring in specialists to work with each section of the bands and also to bring in clinicians to work with both bands at the March 2nd concert. We can't do that without your payment of the Festival Assessment.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Edwards at 557-2531 or mfedwards@wcpss.net or a Band Booster Board member. Contact info for Board members can be found at <http://www.fvbb.com/boosters/fvbb-officers.htm>.

If we're back in school on Weds., this week's quizzes will be:

Friday = Symph Band *winds* - One octave Db major scale + arpeggio @ mm = 50 or faster.

Articulation is student choice.

Friday = Symph Band *percussion* - Timpani tuning. Students will be shown two pitches on the bass clef staff. Students will...

- choose which drums are appropriate for tuning those two notes
- accurately tune the pitches on those drums

Students should use a pitch pipe to find the sounding pitch for each drum.

Friday = Wind Ens - One octave A major scale + arpeggio @ mm = 50 or faster. Articulation is student choice.

If we aren't back in school until Thursday, scales will be due on Monday.

UNCG Honor Band results:

Congratulations to the following FVHS band members for being selected to participate in the UNC-Greensboro Carolina Band Festival. These students competed with more than 300 students from a five-state area for seats in these prestigious groups.

In the 9th-10th grade band:

Ian McKenzie, 4th chair clarinet

In the 11th-12th grade band:

Samantha Barnes, 2nd chair flute

Tarah Cartee, 1st chair clarinet

Taylor Stiles, 5th chair horn

Emily Guy, 2nd chair trombone

Shannon Baksa, 5th chair trombone

Questions or concerns:

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 557-2531 or by email at mfedwards@wcpss.net. Communication is essential for your child's success and for us to stay on the same page about our band program. I look forward to hearing from you.

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