

Howdy Band Family!

We had a wonderful halftime performance Friday night! Check it out!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0zBrjFHIT5U>

We will be discussing stand expectations in class. We want to make sure that our performance throughout the game is our best.

Here is the link to the Band Pictures! WE are so adorable 🥰

Band Picture Link:

<https://amandarenephotographytx.pixieset.com/22-23chsteampictures/band/>

Sept 10 - HOSTING All Region Jazz Auditions

This year we will be hosting the All Region Jazz Auditions. We will need parent and student volunteers for monitoring rooms, being runners, helping with judges and of course snacks.

We are hoping to run a small concession stand for this event.

A sign-up genius will be going out this week.

Student Sign-up will be in the band hall. You do not need to be a part of the jazz band to help.

NHS Hours will be offered for service.

All Region Jazz Volunteers Needed:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A48A9AC22A4F94-region>

Wednesdays - This is your day to go to tutoring! If you need extra help, speak to your teacher. All Staff understands our schedule. At 6 weeks we pull grades (UIL RULE). This will determine if you are passing. NO PASS, NO PLAY will go into effect. Turn in your assignments on time. Check Skyward often. Don't know your login? Email kelly.patterson@commerceisd.org to get your information. These are YOUR GRADES, you EARN them!

If you have any questions or concerns or needs please let the band directors know!

Schedule for the Week: Please Double Check All Times!

AUG 29 (M)

Lunch - DM/Captain/Section Leader Lunch Meeting

4:00-6:30pm - ASR

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SEP 1 (TH)

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SEP 2 (F) HOME

4th-8th - Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew Load UHAUL and Band Trailer

3:25pm - ACE Dinner (have your paperwork in!) or bring your own

3:25pm - FINISH Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew Load UHAUL and Band Trailer

3:30pm - ACE Dinner (must be signed up for ACE)

4:00pm - Visual Rehearsal

4:30pm - Finish loading

5:50pm -in warm up arcs, check attendance and following supplies.

*Partial UNIFORM - dressed in black shorts, long black socks, black marching shoes,
OUR HEART&SOUL Shirt and

*have flip folder, all music, lyre

*FULL WATER JUG

6:10pm - get on assigned bus (we may have only 2 buses to shuttle, percussion and loading crews leave first)

6:15pm - Depart for TAMUC

6:20pm - Arrive at TAMUC

*Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew - Unload

6:30pm - Band takes the stands

*Students will get into lines by sections, stand with the part that you play on stand tunes.

The order of entry into the stands is:

+Drumline, Flutes, Clarinets, Saxophones, Mellophones, Trumpets, Trombones,
Euphoniums, Sousaphone

When seated, you must maintain your line, front to back and left to right. Restroom breaks, 2 at a time. Drum Majors will be in charge of this. If there is an issue please let directors know. Use the buddy system, especially when we are not at our HOME stadium. Do NOT go to the concession stands or socialize outside of the stands. Our job is to inspire our football team and our community in the stands.

7:30pm - Kick Off!

10:00ish - We pack up and depart for CHS, we will send a REMIND as we approach CHS.

11:30pm - We ALL will unload the Uhauls and store our uniforms properly. Take your marching shoes and instrument home with you.

NEXT WEEK SCHEDULE:

SEP 5 (M)

NO SCHOOL (HOLIDAY)

SEP 6 (T)

4:00-6:30pm - ASR

SEP 8 (TH)

4:00-6:30pm - ASR

SEP 9 (F)

4th-8th - Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew Load UHAUL and Band Trailer

2:50pm - Pep Rally

3:25pm - ACE Dinner (have your paperwork in!) or bring your own

3:25pm - FINISH Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew Load UHAUL and Band Trailer

3:30pm - ACE Dinner (must be signed up for ACE)

5:00pm -in warm up arcs, check attendance and following supplies.

*FULL UNIFORM - dressed in black shorts, long black socks, black marching shoes,
OUR HEART&SOUL Shirt and bring hat box

*have flip folder, all music, lyre

*FULL WATER JUG

5:20pm - get on assigned bus (we may have only 2 buses to shuttle, percussion and loading crews leave first)

5:30pm - Depart for Leonard HS

6:15pm - Arrive at Leonard HS

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SEP 10 (S)

All Region Jazz Auditions

8:00am - set up concessions

9:00am - Judge Meeting

9:30am - Auditions Begin

12:00pm - lunch provided for judges and volunteers

2:00pm - all auditions should be wrapped up! Tear down and Clean up!

NHS will be awarded! Students will sign up in SignUpGenius

Volunteers Needed: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A48A9AC22A4F94-region>

Weekly emails will also be available to view on our band website,
<http://www.commercetigerband.org/weekly-announcements.html>

Pass Offs

Directors will be pulling students for Pass Offs.

Sept 17 - Drums on Point at Grand Saline HS

This is a contest/performance for the Drumline and Front Ensemble. Winds, Color Guard, Family and Friends we encourage you to join us! These contests are a lot of fun!

Eligibility - AKA Pass Your Classes

September 12 is the 6 weeks grading period. Be sure to turn in ALL of your assignments and stay on top of your grades! If you lose eligibility, you will not be allowed to participate with the band or any other school activities.

Band Dues:

This week you should be receiving an email from Mr. Duschatko if you have an outstanding balance on your account. It is our goal to work with you to help bring those balances down in whatever way works best for you!

Hawaii Trip 2023 - SIGN UP

**10 more spots to fill! We must get these filled ASAP
Let's go to the islands together.**

Here is the link to the information letter we sent out about the trip

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_hwOsvdBfoLwmSRibCSTtOKuhD6ji2rIc2a0sxa229l/edit?usp=sharing

The first payment is in May 2022. This is the same company we worked with to go to Disney. All payments are done online and through ETA. If you do need to make a cash payment we can work that out. If we need to move payment dates, we and the company will work with those individuals.

In order for the trip to make we will need at least 30 people to travel. This includes students, family and directors. If you have any questions please feel free to email me or contact ETA,
<https://www.etadventures.com/>

Here is the link to our Amazon Band Wish List

<https://a.co/ajd7upo>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SEP 9 (F) - Howe Football - AWAY

SEP 10 (S) - All Region Jazz Auditions @ CHS

SEP 13 (T) - Mr Strickland out to our rehearsal

SEP 16 (F) - North Lamar Football - AWAY

SEP 17 (S) - Drums On Point at Grand Saline

SEP 23 (F) - Bonham Football - AWAY

SEP 24 (S) - Bois Darc Parade

SEP 26 (M) - Caddo Mills Contest

SEP 30 (F) - Winnsboro Football - HOME

OCT 1 (S) - Mesquite Marching Contest

Information from Past Emails

Band website (www.commercetigerband.com). If there is any information that you need that is not provided in this email, please email Mr. Duschatko, Mr. Wilkerson and Mrs. Wallace. logan.duschatko@commerceisd.org, nick.wilkerson@commerceisd.org, and kara.wallace@commerceisd.org This will ensure that we get to you ASAP!

At the bottom of this email you will find our Google Calendar (please download), our REMIND lists, and the link to join the Google Classroom. Please join all of these things! Most of your questions will be answered in these forums.

Parents, we would love for you to volunteer and travel with us to our football games and performances during the year! All Middle School parents are able to volunteer with the Band Boosters. The Band Boosters serve both HS & MS Bands. So bring a friend if you would like to!

Our students are ALL involved in other activities and sports with the school. Please look at our schedule and see where there are conflicts. I LOVE working in Commerce because ALL the faculty is on board with working together for our students. We CAN and WILL work with any conflicts.

7th/8th Grade Marchers:

For After school rehearsal, either workout a ride from CMS OR ride the STAFF bus (#14) from CMS. If you are an athlete of CMS, tell me who you are! Please workout a ride to rehearsal, if you cannot, let a director know so we can come up with a solution. Coach Holcomb and I are great at sharing!

ASR begins at 4pm, everyone needs to be ready on the grid before 4pm. To be early, is to be on time. Sign up for ACE so you can get a meal before your rehearsal. You have plenty of time to change, eat and be on time to rehearsal.

Things you need to bring for ASR:

*Change of clothes

*Athletic shoes! No marching in boots!

****FULL BAND WATER JUG****

*Hat / Glasses (we march into the sun, be prepared to look for your drum major)

*Flip Folder/Lyre (all music in alphabetical order in your flip folder)

****Write your name on your Flip Folder**

*Music memorized

*Device fully charged

Flipfolders and Lyres need to be ordered, so students are prepared for performances!

We already have some orders that have come in, they will be handed out to students

Band Supplies:

You can order straight from Brook Mays and they will deliver to our band hall! This link will also be found on the home page of our band website for future reference!

https://rental.brookmays.com/Rental_Choose_Instrument?schoolid=924

ACE - AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

ACE provides meals after school and tutoring! If you are interested in eating after school, you MUST turn in your paperwork. Please go to this link to find it,

<https://www.commerceisd.org/departments/texas-ace> . We will have printed applications in the band hall. It is lengthy!

AVENUES OF COMMUNICATION

NEW REMINDS:

22-23 Parental Units - <https://www.remind.com/join/d9f9dfc>

22-23 Students (Marching Band) - <https://www.remind.com/join/c8a89g>

22-23 SLT - <https://www.remind.com/join/fke9a8>

22-23 Jazz Cats - <https://www.remind.com/join/af8f9b6>

22-23 Percussion Section - <https://www.remind.com/join/chsdrumsfe>

Band Boosters - <https://www.remind.com/join/c9b34h3>

BAND WEBSITE: <http://www.commercetigerband.org>

The Roaring Tiger Calendar is available for you to download! This has our Summer and Fall schedule!

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=roaringtigerband%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FChicago>

Join our Commerce Roaring Tiger Band FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/CommerceBands>

GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

22-23 Marching Band -

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NTIxMDg2MjQ2MTM0?cjc=fv4xy5u>

22-23 Percussion Section -

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MzU0OTc2MzMxMjA0?cjc=ve3pvhz>

Jazz Cats -

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MzI0NTg1NzkzNjNa?cjc=utsffmb>

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Assistant Band Director

Joe Smith - joseph.smith@commerceisd.org

Percussion Director

Robert Schmidt - robert.schmidt@commerceisd.org

Color Guard Director

Be sure to communicate, in advance, with your conflicts or absences.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Do you want to take lessons over the summer to help prepare for All Region Auditions or to just be a better musician?? Let Mr. Wilkerson or Mrs. Wallace know!

nick.wilkerson@commerceisd.org or kara.wallace@commerceisd.org

SAFETY Protocol:

Always enter/exit through the Tiger Path, DO NOT drop off or pickup in the staff parking lot. This is for the safety of the students.
Thank you in advance for observing this request.
***8th graders if you are running late from CMS campus you are able to drop off at the grid.**

During the school day, entry/exit of the band hall is only through the Fine Arts Hall. Do not use the double doors near the exterior exit.

Keep lockers locked at all times. Lockers are for instrument storage. Do not store food or personal items in your lockers.

22-23 Tentative Band Dates

*These dates will adjust as needed on the Google calendar

The Roaring Tiger Calendar is available for you to download! This has our Summer and Fall schedule!

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=roaringtigerband%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FChicago>

August 29-30: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September:

September 1: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September 2: Football - Leonard - HOME

September 5: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm (No School This Day)

September 6, 8: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September 9: Football - Howe - AWAY

September 10: All-Region Jazz Auditions - Commerce HS

September 12-13, 15: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September 16: Football - North Lamar - AWAY

September 17: Drums on Point - Grand Saline

September 19-20, 22: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September 23: Football - Bonham - AWAY

September 24: Bois Darc Parade - 9:00am

September 26: Caddo Mills Invitational Marching Classic - 3:30pm - Caddo Mills

September 27, 29: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September 30: Football - Winnsboro - HOME

October:

October 1: Mesquite Marching Contest - Mesquite
October 3-4, 6: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm
October 7: Football - Rains - AWAY
October 8: Royse City Marching Festival - Royse City
October 10: Mineola Marching Contest - Mineola
October 11: Marching Band Rehearsal - (No School on This Day)
October 12: 3A REGION MARCHING CONTEST - Mesquite Memorial Stadium
October 17: Marching Band Rehearsal - 4:00pm-6:30pm (No School on This Day)
October 18, 20: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm
October 21: Football - Mt. Vernon - HOME
October 22: 3A AREA MARCHING CONTEST - C.H. Collins Stadium - Denton
October 24-25, 27: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm
October 28: Football - Pottsboro - AWAY

November:

November 1, 3: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm
November 4: Football - Mineola - HOME
November 14-15: All-Region Jazz Clinic and Concert - Sunnyvale HS
November 16-17: Spring Band Auditions - Commerce HS
November 18-19: Junior/Senior Honor Band - TAMUC Music Building

December:

December 2: Middle School All-Region Auditions - Ford HS - Quinlan
December 3: Christmas Parade - Commerce
December 5: High School All-Region Auditions - Eustace HS - Eustace
December 8: CMS/CHS Holiday Concert

January:

January 7: HS Area Auditions - Ranchview HS - Irving
January 13-14: MS/HS All-Region Clinic and Concert

February:

February 4: Band UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest - Canton HS - Canton
February 6: Pre-UIL Concert
February 8-11: TMEA All-State Band and Convention - San Antonio
February 25: Choir and Piano Solo and Ensemble Contest - West Mesquite HS - Mesquite
February 28: HS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 1 - Canton HS - Canton

March:

March 1: HS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 2 - Canton HS - Canton
March 28: MS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 1 - Canton HS - Canton
March 29: MS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 2 - Canton HS - Canton

April:

April 11: ATSSB Jazz Festival - Sunnyvale HS - Sunnyvale
April 18-19: Leadership Interviews
April 27-29: Dallas Winds Invitational

May:

May 3, 4: Marching Mini Camp and 23-24 Band Registration
May 6: CISD Solo and Ensemble Contest
May 9: CMS/CHS Spring Concert
May 13: Band Banquet
May 17-18: Fall Auditions
May 26: Last Day of School/Graduation

“What time is it?”

“Dunno. Pass me that trombone and I’ll find out.”

blows trombone loudly

Someone shouts: “WHO’S THAT PLAYING THE TROMBONE AT 2AM??”