Land of Band and Color Guard

Concert and Winter Groups Continue

Not a whole lot of new stuff going on. We continue with normal classes and rehearsals. <u>Students, please use this</u> <u>time to stay current with your other classes!</u> Things will pick up towards the end of the month with competitions and festival performances, so stay engaged and get your academic tasks complete!

Ambassadors of Music 2026 Europe Tour

As many of you know, I (Mr. Samson) am the Coordinator for the Southern California Ambassadors of Music program. This group travels to Europe every couple of years to perform in 5 different countries while experiencing European culture. This is open to students in band, orchestra, choir and is offered to parents who would like to travel with us.

I have traveled to Europe with this group 6 times since 2010 and many El Dorado musicians and parents have

joined me on this adventure. This past summer, 11 ElDo band and orchestra students plus 5 parents participated in this tour. It was a life-changing experience and we had a blast!

If you would like to be considered for this tour, please be sure to fill out your contact information on the selfnomination form via the following link.

Self-Nomination Form Use CA-4 as the Region Code

I will hold two informational meetings in May where I will share details about the tour. I hope that many of you will attend!

In the meantime, please check out the following website, https://ambassadorsofmusic.com/

And

@socalambassadors on Instagram.

If you have any questions, please email me at <u>socal.aom@gmail.com</u>

This Week...

Tuesday at Lunch

All woodwind and brass students who are currently sitting **first chair** in their concert band ensemble, please come by the band room for a quick meeting at lunch. We would like to go over some expectations that we have for you this semester.



Please be sure to subscribe to our EDHS <u>Google Calendar</u>!

We recommend subscribing to the Google Calendar to get the most updated information automatically to your device.



Reminder regarding attendance: Parents must email both directors and Mama O regarding missing rehearsals/performances.

Quick Glance at the Week

Monday <u>0 period (7:15a-8:23a)</u>

Wind Ensemble - Band Room Symphonic Band - Theater Concert Band - Orchestra Room Winter Guard - Raya Gym

Tuesday

0 period (7:15a-8:23a)

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Wednesday

<u>0 and 1st Period</u> Winter Drumline - Sectionals Winter Guard - Raya Gym

Thursday

0 period (7:15a-8:23a)

Wind Ensemble - Band Room Symphonic Band - Theater Concert Band - Orchestra Room Winter Guard - Raya Gym Winter Percussion - with staff on blacktop **Friday** <u>0 period (7:15a-8:23a)</u>

Wind Ensemble - Theater Symphonic Band - Orchestra Room Concert Band - Orchestra Room Winter Guard - Raya Gym

SUMMER/Fall 2025 Marching Band Rehearsal/Camp Schedule *Dates are tentative

All Winds (Brass and Woodwinds)

*attendance will be taken during these camp days. If you are on vacation during these dates, you must fill out this <u>Absence Form</u> at least <u>2 weeks in advance</u>. Field Show dots (opener chunk) will be finalized by June 30th!

Any student that has not communicated with directors regarding any absences for band camp or summer rehearsals by June 30th, will not be guaranteed a marching spot for the opening chunk of the show. You will become an alternate/shadow until the second chunk of drill is delivered.

We have to do this so that our drill writer has time to write and staff has time to edit before drill is handed to students to learn during Band Camp. Thank you for your cooperation.

WINDS Rehearsal/Camp Dates

#1 - June 24,25,26 (8-12p) #2 - July 8,9,10 (8-12p) #3 - July 29,30,31 (8-12p)

Band Camp

Aug 4-8 (8-5pm) Aug 11-15 (*TBD) Aug 20-22 (*TBD)

Upcoming Events!

Feb. 2 - Golden Hawk Marching Experience Clinic #1 (1-4pm) Feb. 7 - Winter Drumline Preview Show 7p Feb 8 - SCPA Drumline Show @ (La Quinta HS) Feb 8 - Winter Color Guard Preview Show 7p @EDHS Feb 11 - Booster Meeting 7pm Feb 15 - Color Guard Show (Chino Hills HS) Feb 22 - Western States Jazz Festival - all jazz bands Feb 21-23 - Color Guard San Diego Regional Trip Mar 1 - Color Guard show (Downey HS) Mar 1 - Essentially Ellington Jazz Festival - Jazz 1 and 2 Mar 2 - Drumline show (Monrovia HS) Mar 4 - Jazz Pre-Festival Concert Mar 8 - Aztec Jazz Festival - all jazz bands Mar 11 - Band Pre-Festival Concert Mar 15 - Friends of Jazz Concert @ Lonewolf Jazz 1 and 2 Mar 22 - WGI Regionals (TBD)

Mar 25-26 - SCSBOA Band & Orchestra Festival (PAC) Mar 27 - Color Guard Exhibition Show Mar 29 - SCPA Prelims (CSUSB) Mar 29 - WGASC Color Guard (Arcadia HS) Mar 30 - Golden Hawk Marching Experience Clinic #2 (1-4pm) Apr 1-6 - WGI World Championships, World Guard Apr 5 - SCPA Championships, CSU San Bernardino Apr 12-13 - WGASC Championships, Winter Guards Apr 24-27 - California Jazz Championships, Jazz 1 and 2 Apr 29 - Area Night @ VHS, Concert/Jazz Bands May 30 - Jazz Master Concert Jun 3 - Band Spring Concert

Program Assistant's Notes:

Amazon Wish List!

Please consider purchasing supplies off of our Wish List! We are in dire need of more tissues, click pencils, and band-aids!

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2P5WJYTUTXH4 I?ref_=wl_share

President's Notes:

Happy Sunday! Our students are hard at work during this winter season. Whether they are in concert band, jazz band, winter guard or winter percussion please continue to encourage and support your students. We have parent previews starting up in less than 2 weeks. I encourage all of you to join us and see what they are working towards. I'm very excited to see every performance I can.

Winter Drumline Notes:

We have our first **Parent Preview** this **Friday, 1/31** starting at 7pm!

Come out and see what the students have been working so hard on. This is a great way to watch and admire the progress from the beginning through the next couple of months!

Our first show is coming up fast on **Saturday, 2/8** - Save the date! *More details to come*

Also, our next Fundraiser will be on **Monday, 2/10** at The Cookie Element!



Perfect timing to order those Valentine's cookies and sweets!

Uniform's Notes

Uniform Committee: Volunteers Needed – Earn Service Hours!

The Uniform Committee is looking for volunteers to help prepare uniforms to be sent to the cleaners and to remove the lights from the plumes on January 27 at 3:30 PM.

Students can earn volunteer service hours for their

participation, so don't miss this great opportunity to contribute and gain credit for your time!

If you are available to help, please email Tricia Johnson at <u>uniforms@eldoradoband.com</u> to sign up.

Thank you for your support!

Colorguard Notes:

