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Subject: Band Update 11/3/24

Hello Everyone!

Thanks to everyone that turned out to help make our final run of Written in the Stars a fun little victory lap. We could still have future playoff games, but we will only participate as a pep band from here on out. Read on for what's coming up in the next few weeks:

All District Band—Saturday November 9: Please read ALL information to ensure you have a successful audition experience

- *Check-in begins at 7:30 AM*
- *Enter through the front doors of Gardner-Edgerton HS and proceed directly to the Main Gym for check-in*
- *Students will check-in for Band and Jazz auditions at the same time*
- *Have a photo ID (School ID or government issued ID) for check-in*
- *Wear your Audition Badge(s) AT ALL TIMES*
- *Store cases in the designated warm-up area(s)*
- *Major Scales and Excerpt Cut(s) will be posted at your audition room by 9:00 AM*
- *If auditioning for Jazz Band AND Concert Band, complete your Jazz Audition FIRST*
- *The audition process looks slightly different depending on the instrument(s) students are auditioning on*
 - *Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, and Trumpet perform in **TWO** rooms*
 - *Room 1 - Chromatic Scale and Sight-Reading*
 - *Room 2 - Major Scale and State Audition Music Excerpt(s)*
 - *Students must complete **BOTH** parts of the audition to be scored*
 - *Percussion performs in **THREE** rooms*
 - *Snare excerpt(s) and sight-reading*
 - *Mallet excerpt(s) and sight-reading*
 - *Timpani and Auxiliary excerpt(s)*
 - *Students must complete **ALL THREE** parts of the audition to be scored*
 - *All other band and jazz instruments use **ONE** room where students will perform **ALL** of the selected scale(s) and music excerpt(s)*
- *When ready, report to your audition room - auditions generally proceed in numerical order, HOWEVER, you may perform whenever you are ready*
- *Be quiet in the hallways and respectful of other students and the facilities at Gardner-Edgerton High School*

- *If you have questions or encounter an issue related to auditions, go to the **Headquarters Room***

Football Playoff Games:

Our next potential date for a playoff game will be November 15. I will let you know as soon as I find out any further details.

Winter Concert—December 9, 7:00 PM in OE Auditorium

The next required band event for ALL band students (Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, and Jazz Band) is our winter band concert on December 7. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend to support your band student!

Pep Band:

All band students are welcome and encouraged to join the pep band! This group is entirely separate from any band class, and we have a LOT of fun! Sign ups will be in early November, and we'll do a couple of seminar rehearsals to get the pep tunes ready to go. Pep band game dates are as follows:

- December 20
- January 7
- January 17
- January 28
- February 7
- February 11
- February 21
- February 25

Marching Percussion to Perform at CT and PT:

More details will come as we get closer, but our middle school pep assembly performances are as follows:

- Pioneer Trail—December 9th (morning time TBD)
- California Trail—December 13th @2:50 PM

Band Calendar at a Glance:

Nov 9—District Band Auditions @ Gardner-Edgerton

Nov 15—(Marching Band Only) Potential playoff football

Nov 22—(Marching Band Only) Potential State football

Dec 9—Winter Concert, 7 PM @ OEHS Auditorium

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