

DHS Band Boosters Newsletter



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Supporting the Davis High School Concert, Symphonic, Jazz and Pep Bands



Band Boosters Introductory Meeting
Wednesday September 12th
7:30 PM, IPAB Theater

Alternate Band Boosters Meeting
Tuesday September 11th
7:30 PM, PA-3 (Band Room)

Meet the Boosters!
Get the Big Picture!
Find how you can help!



Notes from the Director, Mr. Lange

Welcome to the most enthusiastic and effective support group in our community, the Davis High School Band Boosters. Now that your student is an active member of the band, we hope you will take advantage of this outstanding positive family experience. It is the opportunity to join your son/daughter in the attainment of a mutual goal, something you do not want to miss.

At a time when young people are making crucial decisions concerning personal behavior, ethics, integrity, morals, and an array of vital life choices, wouldn't you like to be around to have some influence on their direction? Band parents enjoy this unusual vantage point, and all of the band members benefit from such a healthy relationship.

Band parents are also integrated into every phase of the program. They are not passive observers, or simply a polite sideline audience, but active contributors in the daily operation of the program. The ongoing success of our program is in direct proportion to the support of our parents. We need you.

I often think there is as much pride in our band parent organization as there is in the band itself. Many of our parent participants have found hidden social benefits for their own growth and development. Not only do our boosters work hand-in-hand with our band program, but they relish the ex-

change with other parents who share a common interest.

You may think there are not enough hours in the day to add one more responsibility to your schedule. This is a legitimate consideration; however, we are sensitive to the situation. You will find everyone is willing to make the necessary accommodations so all parents can become involved. It is a chance that will only come around once in lifetime for your student.

Our first scheduled meeting is at **7:30 p.m.** on Wednesday, **September 12** in the **IPAB Theater** at Davis High School. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to be with us for a brief get-together to meet our veteran members and get a bird's-eye view of our band program. You will also enjoy the optimistic atmosphere of our band's number-one fan club – our band parents. You will quickly sense the caring and sharing attitude that has become the trademark of this group. I urge you to attend our meetings, become an active member of the various committees, and join the ranks of the wonderful "Band Boosters" who ensure our students are at the front of life's parade.

Personal regards,

Fredrick Lange, Director of Bands

A Message from the Band Boosters' President nominee

Welcome Band Parents

Well, we are now in the starting gates for another great year with the Davis High School Bands. As a newbie, I must admit I have been quite impressed with the support you veterans have provided to the bands. Because of you, your sons and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Lange; the Davis High School Band program is extremely successful and award-winning.

My name is Mike Choy, and I will possibly be your Band Booster President this academic year (You need to elect me – or not). You should know I am new to Band Boosters, so there is a lot I need to learn and I am sure I will make mistakes. That is where you come in. Whether you are new yourself or a veteran, I need your help. First, please attend the first Band Booster meeting on **Sept 12 at 7:30 pm** at Davis High so we can elect the officers, hear some highlights from Mr. Lange, talk about the Band Booster function/teams, and see the band schedules. For those of you who simply cannot make this 9/12 meeting, we are going to provide an alternative meeting the day before (**Sept 11 at 7:30**). This alternative meeting will not have the same depth, so please try to make the 9/12 meeting. Second, I have already been receiving a tremendous amount of guidance from several dedicated individuals from last year's Band Boosters and the Langes, and I will continue to need all of your experience, direction, help, and opinions over this next year.

In summary, the Davis High School Band program is a top notch music program, but it has not been free. Whether we agree or not, the Davis School District does not supply enough peoplepower or funds to support the level of this program. That is why I am asking you to participate as an active member in the Davis High Band Boosters.

See you at the meetings,
Mike Choy, your one and only President nominee at the time of this writing

First Davis Jazz Artists Festival to Benefit Davis High School Band Boosters

The sounds of live jazz will inspire painters and performance artists in a festival October 6th, sponsored by John Natsoulas Gallery in collaboration with performance painters. The festival is a new and inventive collaboration between visual and performance artists and promises to be a great experience for performers and audience alike. The DHS Jazz Band and the Combo will play while performance artist Jonqui Albin or painter Colleen Maloney perform. (See schedule at right.) Admission is free and the venues will be the Davis Commons, John Natsoulas Gallery, Bistro 33 and the Log Cabin Gallery.

The Davis High School Jazz Band parents are busy soliciting food and drink vendors who will donate a portion of their proceeds, as well as organizing a raffle and direct donations to benefit the band program. The effort is led by parents Lisa Yamauchi and Lesli Chuck. The Davis parents are excited about this new opportunity to raise funds which would come in handy for a proposed trip of the jazz band to New Orleans this year. Mark your calendar, you won't want to miss this unique celebration of sound, sight and motion.

Davis Jazz Artists Festival

Saturday, October 6th

Main Stage-Davis Commons

12:00	UC Davis Jazz Combo
1:00	Race!!! With performance painter Andrew Dorn
2:00	CSUS Latin Jazz Ensemble
3:00	Capital Jazz Project
4:00	DHS Jazz Band with performance artist Jonqui Albin
5:00	Free Association Reunion with performance artist Jonqui Albin

John Natsoulas Gallery Indoor Stage

12:30	Lambazz
1:30	DHS Jazz Combo with painter Colleen Maloney
2:30	Dream Door with artist Deladier Almeida
3:30	Adam Jenkins and the Ganbare Spirits Ensemble
7:00	Main Event featuring Nancy Ostrovsky with live jazz

Various bands and music ensembles will play at Bistro 33

All Events are FREE

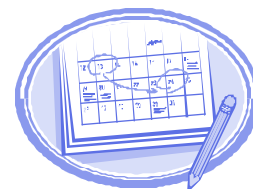
The festival will benefit the Davis High School Band Boosters

More information at www.natsoulas.com

Or <http://www.natsoulas.com/html/jazzweb/index.html>



DHS Band Calendar: 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR



September 6,12,13	Symphonic Chair Auditions (Tp, Cl, or Tbn)	2:30-4:30	PA-3
September 10	Elementary Helpers Needed	7:30	Emerson
September 11	Elementary Helpers Needed	7:30	Emerson
September 11	Band Booster Alt. Meeting	7:30	PA-3
September 12	Band Booster Introductory Meeting	7:30	IPAB Theater
September 14	Symphonic Audition Tapes Due	3:30	
September 14	Football	6:15p	PA-3
September 20	Back-To-School Night (Jazz??)	7:00p	New Gym
September 21	Concert Band Audition Tapes Due 3:30		
September 21	Football	6:15p	PA-3
September 25	Pep Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	IPAB Theater
October 6	Natsoulas Jazz Festival (Jazz)	TBA	Downtown Davis
October 10	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
October 11	Outreach Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	PA-3
October 12	Homecoming Parade (all bands)	1:30	Farmer's Market
October 12	Homecoming Game (all bands)	6:15	PA-3
October 15	Outreach Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	PA-3
October 16	Outreach Concert #1	7:30	IPAB Theater
October 18	Outreach Concert #2	7:30	IPAB Theater
October 26	Football	6:15	PA-3
November 7	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
November 8	Symphonic Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	PA-3
November 12	Symphonic Band Rehearsal	7:00-9:00	IPAB Theater
November 13	Symphonic Band Concert	1:30	IPAB Theater
November 13	Symphonic Band Concert	7:30	IPAB Theater
November 14	Rent-A-Band Rehearsal	2:30-4:00	PA-3
November 14	Jazz Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:30	PA-3 (Theater??)
November 15	Rent-A-Band Rehearsal	2:30-4:00	PA-3
November 16	Jazz Extravaganza (Concert)	7:30	IPAB Theater
November 27	Combined Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	IPAB Theater
November 28	Rent-A-Band Rehearsal	2:30-4:00	PA-3
December 8 (??)	CSUS Jazz Festival	TBA	CSU Sacramento
December 12	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
December 16	Combined Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	IPAB Theater
December 19	Combined Band Rehearsal	2:30-5:00	IPAB Theater
December 20	Combined Band Concert (Winter Rhapsody)	7:30	IPAB Theater
January 9	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
January 26 (??)	Folsom High Jazz Festival	TBA	Folsom HS
January 26-27	Playathon	7:00 p- 9:00a	MPR (and M-1)
January 30	Elementary Concert (some DHS students needed)	7:30	IPAB Theater
February 6	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
February 13 (??)	Festivity Of Bands (w/ UCD & CSUS)	7:30	IPAB? (CSUS?)
February 23-25	Coconut Grove		MPR
March 12	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
March 20	DHS Bands Adjudication	1:30	IPAB Theater

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March 20	Adjudication Concert	7:30	IPAB Theater
April 7-10	9 th Grader Auditions	3:00	PA-3 & PA-8
April 9	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
April 10	Open House (no performances)		
April 22	Secondary Concert (Symph)	7:30	IPAB Theater
April 24	Pre-Tour Combined Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	IPAB Theater
April 24-27	Possible Jazz Trip To New Orleans		
May 1-4	Possible Jazz Trip To New Orleans		
May 6	Senior Concert (Symph & Con)	7:30	IPAB Theater
May 7	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3
May 7	Pre-Tour Combined Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	IPAB Theater
May 11	Pre-Tour Combined Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	IPAB Theater
May 12	Pre-Tour Combined Rehearsal	7:30-9:00	IPAB Theater
May 16-20	Proposed Band Tour to Victoria, Canada		
May 28	Picnic and Pops (Symph & Con)	6:00	Central Park
May 31	Jazz Combo Concert	7:30	IPAB Theater
June 8	Jazz On A Summer's Eve XVIII	7:30	IPAB Theater
June 11	Band Booster Meeting	7:30	PA-3

The Band Booster Newsletter

This newsletter is produced monthly as a service by the DHS Band Boosters. Visit our **web site** at <http://www.dhsbandboosters.org> for updated stories, photos and video links. You are also highly encouraged to attend the band booster **meetings**. The meetings are informative, brief and a good way to meet other band supporters.

Please send articles or photos by e-mail to the editor, Susan Hulsizer. I really appreciate photos of band members in performances or events for the newsletter. In special circumstances there can be some flexibility on the deadline, if you contact me by the deadline.

The deadline is on Friday, 8 PM, a week and a half before the meetings: **Sept 28th, Oct 26th, Nov 30th, Dec 21st, Jan 25th, Feb 29th, Mar 28th, Apr 25th, and May 30th.**

The newsletters will be printed and mailed to all band families, as well as sent through the list serv and posted on the website. **If you want the e-mail/web version only**, please send an e-mail to me with your name and street address, and we will remove you from the postal mailing. This will save the boosters money for other vital projects.

Thank you,
Susan Hulsizer, susan.hulsizer@comcast.net, 753-2221



May I see your...



The **Band Trip** this year (May, 2008) is to Victoria, British Columbia. New regulations require that every person returning from Canada to the US have a valid passport.

There are no exceptions. If a student does not have a passport he or she will not be able to participate in this trip, which is a fabulous experience. If your student already has a passport, please confirm that it will be valid for several months after May 2008 (there can reportedly be issues if one travels with a passport close to expiration).

If your student does not have a passport, please apply for one right away. Application forms are at the Post Office. Passport pictures can be taken at a number of locations (the Post Office, Longs, Kinkos, PostMark's, Costco, etc.) It appears to be taking two months for the application to be processed.