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THE TROY COLT BANDS INFORMATION SOURCE

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January 2017

Friday, January 6 New York Spring Trip Payment Due

Band Booster Meeting, 7pm, THS Band Room

*CHANGE OF DATE

Saturday, January 28

Thursday, January 26*

MSBOA District Chamber Ensemble Festival



HAPPY NEW YEAR! We look forward to a musically prosperous 2017! Thank you for your continued support of excellence in our band program.

(A WORD FROM MR. NUTTING) THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING: Each year I am asked by parents what they can do to most effectively support their student's musical growth. The answer is simple – private lessons. If your student is not already enrolled in private lessons, please consider this most influential gift. Although we boast an exemplary music program, individual student musicians require individual attention by specialists on each respective instrument. With our ever-expanding enrollment, this cannot be realized during band class. This opportunity will greatly enhance your child's musical development, promote greater reward and satisfaction, and enhance the overall quality of their experience.

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2017 MSBOA All-State High School Honors Band Members: Michelle Baek, Tim Grieme, Sara Huang, Lindsay Nichols, Laura Pryde, William Zhang. Honorable Mention Elayna Sabelhaus! MSBOA All-State High School Honors Performers will be featured this month at the 2017 Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids, MI.

LET'S PAINT THE TOWN! We are so proud of the Troy High Band program for being invited to perform at Lincoln Center in New York. It is a wonderful honor and achievement to be selected, and will surely prove to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience for these musicians. We want to share this

news so the whole community can see what a fantastic fine arts program Troy High has. We invite you to purchase a lawn sign in order to "paint the town." Print flyer below to pre-order a sign. Orders MUST be turned in by Wednesday, December 21—NO EXCEPTIONS. Signs will be available for pick up in early January.

WEEKEND FIELD TRIP: On Saturday, March 4, 2017 Troy Band students will travel to the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts to see STOMP - a unique, creative, interactive, and *highly* entertaining Broadway show on tour. We were able to take a group of students to see this show approximately four years ago and it met with *rave* reviews. See flyer below for details.

CALLING ALL CHAPERONES! With concert season upon us, it is time to start thinking about chaperones again. Chaperones are needed for our Festival Concert at The Macomb Center, and other events. Please check for opportunities to help here.

LAST CHANCE FOR YANKEE CANDLE PURCHASES! Orders placed through January 11, 2017 continue to benefit the band. Please share the link www.yankeecandlefundraising.com with your friends and family for additional sales all throughout the holiday season. Shop using the online catalog with our group ID: **99521807**, and 40% of each purchase will go back to the Troy Colt Bands. Items will be shipped directly to your customer. Look for online exclusive offers and holiday specials. Thanks to your efforts, our profits are now over \$10,000 and growing.

COLT CELEBRATION! (Early Bird Ticket Special) The 2017 Colt Celebration is rapidly approaching! Join us for the annual Jazz Ensemble Dinner Dance on Friday, March 17 at the CenterPoint Marriott for a fabulous evening of dinner, dining, silent auction presented by the Troy High School Jazz Ensemble. This is a sophisticated (and very fun!) evening you will not want to miss. It is not necessary to have a student in the Jazz Ensemble to enjoy this wonderful getaway. For your dining pleasure, we've secured three scrumptious meal options. There will also be a silent auction with a wide array of prizes. Mark your calendars now and join us in March for an evening to remember. Tickets can be purchased online through the Charms Store or by completing and returning the Colt Celebration order form. Purchase tickets prior to January 1st for early bird prices!

WE ARE ON THE HUNT FOR TREASURES, TALENT, and TRAVEL: Do you have tickets to a professional/collegiate sporting event? Do you have a talent such as teaching voice lessons? Do you have a place Up North? The Colt Celebration, featuring the amazing Troy High Jazz Ensemble, also includes an exciting silent auction to raise money for the Troy High band program. If you have an item(s) you would like to donate or a connection to a business that may want to donate, please contact Joe Anderson at thbb_fundraising@troycoltbands.org. All auction items need to be received by Joe no later than Sunday, February 26th. Thank you for your support!

STUDENT VOLUNTEER HOURS: Thank you to all the students who signed up for volunteer hours to date. You have helped tremendously with our daily set-up and holiday events. As we enter a busy concert season, please remember to check on the <u>Student Sign Up Genius</u> for new opportunities to become available. *Each student is required, as part of their grade, to fulfill 3 volunteer hours between now and the end of the school year.*

SAVE THE DATE: Our annual Festival Concert will take place at Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Thursday, February 23 at 7pm. Students will be leaving directly from school by bus to eat dinner then arrive early for a dress rehearsal/sound check. Details and ticket order forms to follow.

NYC BOUND! If you plan to travel to New York in March 2017 to support the Concert, Symphonic, and Jazz Bands in their performances, band parents David and Linda Overberg will be organizing a "Groupie" communication contact list. They will communicate pertinent information (such as performance schedule changes), and share parent contact information with all groupies (for those interested in sharing rides, dinner plans, etc). Additionally, when ticket information becomes available for the Lincoln Center performance, the Overbergs will forward it to those on the list. If you would like to be included or have further questions, please email your name, email address, and cell phone number to overberg384@outlook.com.

TROY HIGH BAND BOOSTER MEETINGS – Our next Band Booster meeting HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED. The new date is Thursday, January 26. Please come to hear important updates from Mr. Nutting and the Booster Board, meet fellow band parents, and enjoy refreshments. Also, mark your calendars for our last Booster Meeting on April 20 (Board Elections meeting) at 7pm. You can stay informed between meetings via our electronic newsletters, mass emails, band website, Twitter and Facebook. As always, if you have ideas, questions, concerns, or want to become involved, please feel free to contact Director Brian Nutting, Band Booster President Denice Schomer, or any Band Booster officer. An officer listing is available on the website. The Executive Board will continue to meet monthly to assist in band operations.

Please visit <u>www.troycoltbands.org</u> for pertinent, up-to-date information on all band activities.

FORWARD >>

February 4 MSBOA District Solo & Ensemble Festival

February 23 Festival Concert (CA, CB, SB)

FAST FORWARD >>

March 20 LINCOLN CENTER COMMAND PERFORMANCE –

Pre-Trip Meeting/Concert Preview/Reception

March 22-25 Spring Trip to New York, NY (SB, CB, JE)

August 11-18, 2017 2017 Band Camp

August 21, 28, 2017 Marching Band Practices, 2:30-5pm

All August dates are mandatory.

Please book family vacations accordingly.

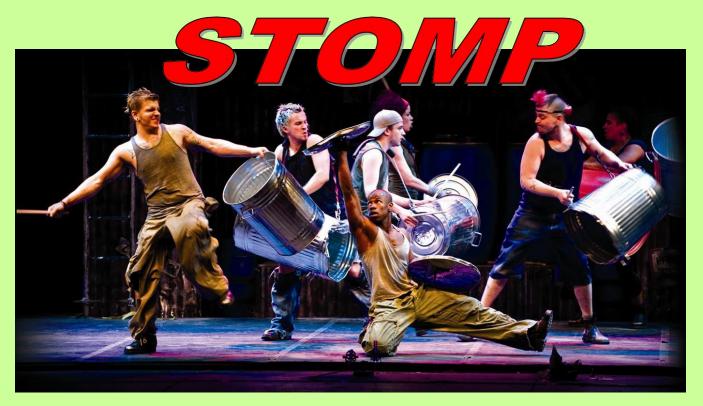


Start spreading the news... Order your Lincoln Center Lawn Sign Today!

Student's Name:			
Band: Concert (Circle One)	Jazz Ensemble	Symphonic	
Number of Signs: _	x \$10.0	00	
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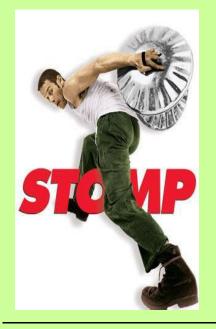
DEADLINE FOR ORDER IS DECEMBER 21st – Sorry, due to order minimum, no late orders will be accepted.

These custom two-sided 18"x24" lawn signs are made of corrugated plastic and come with a 24" high wire stake stand. Delivery expected second week of January.



On the afternoon of <u>Saturday, March 4, 2017</u> interested THS Band students will be traveling to the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts to view the highly acclaimed musical stage show, STOMP.

Students from all bands are welcome and encouraged to attend. The matinee performance will begin at 2pm.



We have secured 100 prime seats in the balcony, including 8 adult tickets for interested parent chaperones.

Tickets cost \$25 per student/ chaperone (non-refundable, checks payable to *Troy High Band Boosters*) and are available on a first come, first served basis.

All orders must be turned in by Friday, January 27, 2017 and placed in the black box or purchased online via the Charms Store.

Students must provide their own transportation.

Chaperone volunteers, please sign up <u>here</u>.