



STALEY MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND, FRISCO ISD

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SEPTEMBER BAND NOTES

Band Website and Communication

If your family has not checked out the band website please do so! You can find reminders, upcoming events, and important forms and information that your students may have forgotten to bring home! We will also be sending a monthly newsletter (Band Notes) to remind everyone of upcoming events. If you ever have any questions please refer to our website or do not hesitate to contact us!

SMSBPA General Meeting Thursday 9/10/09 5:45

The Band Parent Association needs you! Our first general meeting will take place before open house and end before the PTA meeting begins. All parents are encouraged to attend and find out how you can help the band through your gifts of time and talents! If your family would like to join the SMSBA at the meeting please bring \$10 (per family-not student) to the meeting!

School Owned Instruments

If you are playing on a school owned instrument your liability form and fee are due! Please return the form and \$100 (or \$50 if paying per semester) to your band director as soon as possible. Please note that families who need financial assistance will need to complete the financial aid form once passed out (we are waiting on final approval from the FISD Fine Arts Coordinator). *Additional liability pages can be found on the forms page of the band website.*

Practice Reports

Advanced bands should already be completing a weekly practice report. Beginning Band members will begin to fill out a weekly practice report on Monday 9/14. Please encourage your student to practice as our success this year is directly related to the amount and quality of time each band member spends in personal practice.

Private Lessons

If your family has not called to set up lessons please do so soon! Remember that private lessons are set up directly with the lesson teachers and schedules are set up on a first come first serve basis. Lessons are never required to be in band, but we have consistently seen students who study privately excel and are much more prepared for the following year in band. A current list of lesson teachers is available on the website under the lesson teachers page.

Symphonic Band

- All-Region Masterclass during school the week of September 21- students should be practicing their music!!!
- 8th grade football game- 9/30/09 Memorial Stadium.

Upcoming October Events

- 10/2- Wakeland Combine Night (8th graders attending WHS are the only ones who attend)
- 10/6- 7th grade football game at Cooley Stadium- only Symphonic Band performs!
- 10/22- Optional UNT concert for all students!
- 10/26- Fall Concert/Dinner for Advanced Bands- the concert will begin at 7:00.
- 10/28- Symphonic Band- All-Region Mock Audition during school.

Thank you for your AWESOME support of our AWESOME band!