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Nov 23rd - Nov 27th, 2026

THANKSGIVING BREAK NOVEMBER 23-27th
NO BAND EVENTS THIS WEEK

State Prelims Performance
State Finals Performance

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Band Split Roster

REGION MUSIC CUTS FOR AUDITIONS

Region Entry Form
Everyone Fill This Out by Thursday Nov 19th

BAND BOOSTER MEETING THIS TUESDAY 6PM

ALL BAND MEMBERS
MONDAY NOV 16th

Region Practice
5-7PM

Only 1 Hour is Required
Either 5-6 or 6-7 (see schedule)

SEE SCHEDULE LINK

No Rehearsal Tuesday

DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Band, I cannot begin to tell you how incredibly proud I am of every single one of you. Taking 7th place in the entire state of Texas at the UIL State Marching Contest (along with earning 2nd place in the state for the woodwind caption), is nothing short of extraordinary. From evening rehearsals in the August heat to grinding out every tiny visual and musical detail, you poured your hearts into bringing "Sir Isaac Newton" to life. What you put on the field at the Alamodome was pure magic, and hearing our name called among the very best programs in Texas was a moment I will never forget.

More than the trophies and awards, what makes me love this group so deeply is who you are every day. You looked out for each other, leaned into the work when it got tough, and built something truly special together as a family. Thank you for trusting the process, bringing the energy, and representing our school and community with so much class and heart. Celebrate this outstanding achievement, because you earned every single bit of it. We are so lucky to be your directors, and I love you all.

- Mr. H

If your instrument is broken you NEED to tell a band director IMMEDIATELY. The repair man comes most weeks but his schedule is not concrete! If your instrument is broken you should not be playing on it. It needs to be put on the repair shelf after you have told a director what is wrong with it and we will get you a spare if we have one. If your instrument is constantly breaking and having issues then you need to think about how YOU are taking care of your instrument. Our repair budget is dwindling quickly and we need to take care of our things!

-Mrs. Bruns

PARENTS

Next Band Booster Meeting: Nov 17th @ 6pm

Parents - Join our Band Booster Facebook Page

FHS Virtual Private Lessons Sign Up Instructions (if not seeking financial aid)

See “Quick Calendar” Below for the next 5 weeks of Band Events

STUDENTS

BAND	Honor Band	APPLIED MUSIC	JAZZ
EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUEST	Adventum Christmas Festival (Smith)	Region Audition Videos (Year A)	Jazz Upcoming Events Running Doc
Google Classroom - Brass	**Symphonic Band**	Region Music	Improv Tracks- Year A (NEW)
Google Classroom - Woodwinds	Christmas Star Cartoon Christmas	Mock Auditions	Region Jazz
Google Classroom - Percussion			Region Jazz Results
Locker Assignments		**COLORGUARD**	
Drumline Gigs		FHS Color Guard Hand Book	
Leadership Roster		Google Classroom - Guard	
Region Music			

MONDAY November 16th

Woodwinds/Brass	Percussion
Christmas Music	Applied: See Google Classroom Announcement Region mallet/christmas
Applied Music	**Color Guard**
Mock Auditions	***OREKA OUT*** **1. Check in with Mr H for attendance.** **2. Untape all show flags.** **3. Sort all show flags into separate white baskets to be washed.** **4. Put away all poles that are no longer being used**

	5. Tape practice flags (all members need a practice flag taped) **MAKE SURE YOU SIGN UP FOR FRIENDSGIVING** **Guard Friendsgiving 11/17**
Jazz	**After School**
Set Up: Square State Jazz Results talk after everyone is set up Saxes may split-TBD Christmas Piece- This Christmas and Go tell it on the mountain (67-end) Billies Bounce 81- End Print fingering chart for Elijah	**ALL BAND MEMBERS** Region Practice 5-7PM Only 1 Hour is Required Either 5-6 or 6-7 (see schedule) **SEE SCHEDULE LINK** **APPLIED MUSIC WINDS ARE EXEMPT IF YOU ARE ALL PASSED OFF!** **Non-Exempt Applied Music until passed off: Nadia, Clara, Keegan, John, Christian, Kevin Sanchez, Suzy, Enrique, Landon Steele**

TUESDAY November 17th
WIN SCHEDULE

BAND BOOSTER MEETING 6PM

Woodwinds/Brass	**Percussion**
Region Music REGION MUSIC CUTS FOR AUDITIONS	Region mallet/christmas Spencer Out
Applied Music	**Color Guard**
Mock Auditions	***Body movement day*** **1. Plie exercises** **2. Across the floors**
Jazz	**After School**
Set Up: Square Billies After Christmas Concert Competition Ensemble	**Guard Friendsgiving at FHS Band Hall from 4:30 - 6:00 PM** **NO REHEARSAL**

WEDNESDAY November 18th

Woodwinds/Brass	Percussion
Christmas Music Honor- Choir Hall Symphonic- Band Hall Please listen to the reference videos in the student section of the weekly update!	
Applied Music	**Color Guard**
Mock Auditions	**WEAPON WEDNESDAY** ***EQUIPMENT SECTIONALS*** **1. Flag sectional** **2. Rifle sectional** **3. Sabre sectional**
Jazz	**After School**
Set Up: Square Billies	

THURSDAY November 19th
WIN SCHEDULE

TLU BAND PERFORMANCE DURING WIN IN AUDITORIUM

Woodwinds/Brass	Percussion
Region Music REGION MUSIC CUTS FOR AUDITIONS	Region/Christmas
Applied Music	**Color Guard**
Mock Auditions	**Winter Calendar handed out and discussed** **1. Discuss Winter Dates** **2. Hand out calendar** **3. Tape practice flags**
Jazz	**After School**
TBD on TLU If time is available rehearse Billies	

FRIDAY November 20th

Woodwinds/Brass	Percussion
Christmas Music **Bruns Out** Symphonic w/Conard in BH	Region/Christmas
Applied Music	**Color Guard**
Mock Auditions	**Flag Friday** **1. Flag fundamental block** **2. Flourish exercise** **3. Toss block**
Jazz	**After School**
TBD on how many are still here.	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MRS OREKA (SAT NOV 21st)

BAND QUICK CALENDAR

Sunday November 22	Monday November 23	Tuesday November 24	Wednesday November 25	Thursday November 26	Friday November 27	Saturday November 28
	Thanksgiving Break	**Thanksgiving Break**	**Thanksgiving Break**	**Thanksgiving Break**	**Thanksgiving Break**	
Sunday November 29	**Monday November 30**	**Tuesday December 1**	**Wednesday December 2**	**Thursday December 3**	**Friday December 4**	**Saturday December 5**
	Region Audition Practice 5-7PM (All Band Students) **Mock Auditions Week 2 for Applied Winds** **REGION MUSIC CUTS FOR AUDITIONS**	**NO REHEARSAL**			**Christmas Parade**	**Region Band Auditions @ FHS**
Sunday December 6	**Monday December 7**	**Tuesday December 8**	**Wednesday December 9**	**Thursday December 10**	**Friday December 11**	**Saturday December 12**
	CHRISTMAS CONCERT Concert Bands and Jazz	*MS Christmas Concert*		*Choir Christmas Concert*	**High School Region Clinic and Concert Burnet HS**	**High School Region Clinic and Concert Burnet HS**
Sunday December 13	**Monday December 14**	**Tuesday December 15**	**Wednesday December 16**	**Thursday December 17**	**Friday December 18**	**Saturday December 19**
	H Out Beginning Band concert				Early Release	
Sunday December 20	**Monday December 21**	**Tuesday December 22**	**Wednesday December 23**	**Thursday December 24**	**Friday December 25**	**Saturday December 26**
	CHRISTMAS BREAK Back to school on Jan 4th Area Auditions on Jan 9th			Christmas Eve	Christmas Day	

All Band Parents AND Students need to sign up for band messages!

ParentSquare App	iOS	Android
StudentSquare App	iOS	Android