

BPA Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, December 5th

- 7pm - Virtual Google Meet if Marching Band season has ended
 - Google Meet Link: <https://meet.google.com/xuq-wxua-xfp>

Marching Band

- Thank you everyone for a successful week of Holiday Tour and Christmas Parades!
- Holiday Tour Suggestions?
 - Future food/drink parameters at houses - Need to be grab and go due to time and messy buses.
 - Promote that we'll be marching through Walmart and Sam's Club more. Excellent reaction from faculty that said they would come and watch!
 - Should we turn this into a fundraiser?
 - How much would we charge? (we would only play for about 6 - 8 minutes).
 - How would we plan the performance route?
- Christmas Parades Suggestions?
 - Salem
 - First time doing the Salem Parade was successful!
 - We now know more about the drop off/ parking situation
 - Next year I want to take some group photos in Salem when it's still light out.
 - Emailed about donations to Salem
 - Lunch at the buffet was great! Thank you BPA!
 - If we remain the same size, I think this is the perfect location. If/when we get bigger, we may need to relocate (there's a big shopping plaza where Rt 77 and Rt 49 meet with Wawa, Wendy's, Dunkin, McDonald's, Taco Bell...etc. Other bands like West Deptford go there every year in between the two parades)
 - West Cape May
 - Unloading/Parking cars situation
- Playing at the race went well! Positive feedback from all of the runners and organization in charge of the race. Good publicity and community service! We will do it again next year.
- **Dates to keep reserved as you plan your vacations:**
 - Monday 5/27 - Memorial Day Parade
 - All current Marching Band members are expected to march in the parade
 - Tuesday 8/6 through Sunday 8/11 - Mandatory Band Camp Week 1
 - Tuesday 8/13 through Sunday 8/18 - Mandatory Band Camp Week 2

- Towels - If anyone has any spare towels they would like to donate, some of ours are getting pretty beat up. The towels don't need to be in perfect condition! We'll use them to dry off instruments and equipment.
- Drum Major Uniform Reimbursement?
 - Mr. Kuntz will need to contact G2 Performance again

Concert Band and Wind Ensemble

- Thank you for a successful Fall Band Concert!
 - Any suggestions?
 - Continue to have it at the Middle School
 - Continue the Dine and Donate at Dairy Fresh fundraiser
 - Continue to sell flowers and balloons. Advertise it more before the concert so parents know about it more and don't purchase things before the concert.
- Winter Concert
 - <https://www.williamstownbands.com/post/winter-concert-vpa-showcase-information>
 - Candy/Flower/Balloon Grams TBD
 - The Winter Concert IS General Admission. Seats will be first come first serve so get to the concert early if you want to choose your seats!
- Elementary Recruitment Assemblies
 - All 4 principals approved! Next step is to get everything scheduled with the Elementary secretaries
 - Looking at March 26th and 27th (two days before Spring Break)
 - Only Wind Ensemble would attend

Jazz Ensemble

- Rehearsals are underway!
- More information about specific competitions coming soon!

Indoor Percussion

- Rehearsals are underway!
- Home Show on Sunday, April 21st
 - Will need lots of volunteers!
 - Jen is currently the contact person. Mr. Kuntz will fix.
 - Need to put together a committee to prepare for the Home Show. Please let us know if you're interested in participating!

Indoor Color Guard

- Rehearsals are underway!
- Home Show on Sunday, April 21st
 - Will need lots of volunteers!
 - Need to put together a committee to prepare for the Home Show. Please let us know if you're interested in participating!
- Working on selling old guard uniforms and flags
- Budget
 - Warm up jackets/ pants
 - Similar to the polos, students would purchase their own warm up jacket
 - New floor needed
 - New uniforms needed
 - New flags needed
 - Fundraising towards sabres
 - Gia plans on doing an inventory of the flags we have

Honor Bands

- SJBODA Region Band
 - Auditions - Saturday Dec 9th at Absegami HS
 - Tentative Auditions Snow Date - Saturday Dec 16th
 - Orchestra Concert - Sunday, Jan 7th
 - Wind Ensemble & Symphonic Band Concert - Sunday, Jan 14th
 - More information: <http://www.sjboda.org/>
- Olympic Honor Band
 - Auditions - Tuesday Jan 9th at Lakeside MS or Millville HS
 - Auditions Snow Date - Thursday Jan 11th
 - Rehearsals at Washington Township HS
 - Tues Jan 16th
 - Snow Date on Thurs Jan 18th
 - Tues Jan 23rd
 - Snow Date on Thurs Jan 25th
 - Tues Jan 30th (all day, need to miss school)
 - No snow date
 - Concert - Wednesday, Jan 31st
 - Concert Snow Date on Thursday, Feb 1st
 - More information: <https://www.ohband.org/>
- All-State
 - Auditions - Saturday Jan 20th at JP Stevens HS
 - Tentative Auditions Snow Date - Sunday Jan 21st

- Reading Rehearsal on Monday, Feb 5th from 6pm-9pm at Bridgewater-Raritan HS
- Rehearsals on Wednesday Feb 21st - Friday Feb 23rd (you will have to stay at the Atlantic City Convention Center over night and will miss school on Thurs and Fri)
- Concert at Atlantic City Convention Center - Friday, Feb 23rd at 11am
- Concert at New Jersey Performing Arts Center - Saturday, Feb 24th at 3pm
- More information: <https://www.njmea.org/all-state/band>

BPA & Fundraising

- Thank you to everyone that came out for Dairy Fresh Fundraiser after the Fall Band Concert!
- Jeans Day
 - Mr. Kuntz will follow up about the school account where these funds will be kept temporarily
- RaiseRight
- Around Town Book VS Pizza Card - parent vote
- Donation Calendar - March for Music Month
- Winter Spirit Wear for Indoor Season
- Jazz Dinner
 - Scarpinato's
 - WBPA would cover student meals
 - Additional opportunity to perform - Jazz Band and possibly other small chamber groups
 - Would we need a bus? - WBPA would need to cover cost or parent drop off
 - Student attendance would be required
 - Date: Tuesday, May 28th - check for 5/29 if possible
 - 50/50 or Basket Raffle
 - Dessert Donations
- Bargain Thrift Clothing Drive (keep us in mind as you go through your closets over Winter Break!)
 - Tentative pick up in Early April
- Banquet
 - Scarpinato's Tuesday, June 4th
 - Students Free
 - Parents \$10 - 15
- Other suggestions? - Contact the BPA Board if you have any suggestions!

Next BPA Meeting:

- **Thursday, January 4th at 7pm on Google Meet**