

FFCHS TROJAN BAND NEWSLETTER

December, 2018



MARCHING BAND SURVEY RESULTS

The results are in, and the overwhelming majority of students who took the survey have requested that marching band rehearsals be moved to after school for the 2019-2020 school year.

Based off the survey alone, about 100 students, including current high school band members and incoming freshmen, would participate in marching band *if it were after school* – that's pretty significant!

We have met with administration and have received approval to move marching band after school! Our admin will provide busing after rehearsals for students who would need it.

More info to come!

TIS THE SEASON!

Can you believe we're already entering the last stretch of the first semester!? With the holidays approaching, so do the many musical activities that accompany this time of the year.

The Trojan Marching Band will be joining forces with the Carson Middle & Fountain Middle 8th graders for the Festival of Lights Parade in Colorado Springs on Saturday, December 1st. FFC hasn't participated in several years, and we are excited to get the tradition going again!

Students who are not current members of the marching band are invited to participate, and so far, we have about 30 more high schoolers who are planning on participating – it's going to be a great time!

The parade travels south on Tejon from Boulder Street to Vermijo. The parade begins at 5:50p.m., and FFC is number 69 in the parade – come cheer on the Trojans!

“Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.”

HOLIDAY CONCERT!

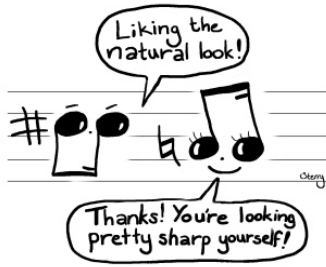
The Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Wind Ensemble will present their 2018 Holiday Concert on Tuesday, December 11th at 7:00p.m. in the FFCHS auditorium. All of the bands have been working hard to prepare this night of great music making, and it will surely be an exceptional way to end the first semester.

I have invited Ms. Langr & the FFCHS Cantari to join the Wind Ensemble on one of their tunes, as well as an exciting finale to our concert!

Don't miss it: Tuesday, December 11th, 7:00p.m. – Bring your family and friends to help up celebrate the season and the end of a terrific first semester of music making!



*Sounds
of the
Season*



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SOLO & ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL

With the end of the first semester approaching, and the beginning of the second semester right around the corner, it's time for students to start selecting their pieces for the Solo & Ensemble Festival in February. All sections in each band will be assigned an ensemble, but students are encouraged to perform a solo or another ensemble.

Solo are worth big lettering points!

IT'S BASKETBALL SEASON!

Basketball season is here! Basketball pep bands will begin on November 29. Sign-up sheet are located on the band office window, and all members of the Trojan Band Family are invited and encouraged to participate. Basketball pep bands are worth lettering points, and are fun way to make music with your fellow bandmates!

IMPORTANT DATES FOR DECEMBER

December 1 – Festival of Lights Parade!

December 6 & 7 – Fall Musical

December 11 – Band Holiday Concert

December 13 – Choir Concert

December 24 – Winter Break Begins

REMINDERS:

November 27 & 29 – Parade Rehearsals from 4:30 to 6:30 with CMS & FMS 8th Graders!



Winter Guard Season

The FFCHS Guard Team will join forces with the Harrison High School Color Guard to create a Winter Guard team that will compete in the Rocky Mountain Color Guard Association.

The guard will be considered an IRA (Independent Regional A) and will be under the instruction of Mr. Martinez and Mrs. Schramek.

Students have already received information and are ready to get the season started!

