FFCHS TROJAN BAND NEWSLETTER



September 2023

FALL BAND CONCERT

Our first band concert this year is on September 28th! Come support these awesome students and celebrate their hard work so far this year!

Future band concerts are still to be scheduled at this time. We are planning to split up band performances to different nights since we have outgrown our space and will need to be strategic with planning. Additional concert dates will be solidified soon, and we will publish them on the band website.



Congratulations to the Trojan Marching Band on a great performance as the host band at the state fair!

HERE WE GROW!

We have had a great first month of music making at FFCHS! Students have been working hard on various concert, jazz, small ensemble, and marching band music. Our first band concert is coming up this month on September 28th.

Congratulations to the Trojan Marching Band on great performances at the State Fair, the Fountain Fall Festival, and our first home football game this past month!

As always, the band website is the #1 source of information for all things in the band program: www.trojanband.org

"The true beauty of music is that it connects people." - Roy Ayers

MARCHING BAND & CBA SOUTHERN REGIONAL

The Trojan Marching Band has been hard at work on our 2023 show: Sketches of India. Students were able to finish learning all 90 drill sets before September 1st! Band Camp 2.0 is on September 9th, and our first competition is on September 16th!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Colorado Bandmasters Association Southern Region State Qualifying Festival will be held on Wednesday, October 18 at FFCHS. Around 30 schools from all over southern Colorado will be here for the chance to qualify for the CBA State Championships at the end of October.

We will need as many parents as we can get to make this event successful! All volunteers must be 18+ to help work for the day. The sign-up for volunteers has been sent out in the BAND app and via Remind. If you have any questions on how to volunteer, please contact Mr. Race or Ms. Brown.



The Trojan Marching Band at the Fountain Fall Festival Parade!

Contact Mr. Race/Ms. Brown

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Please allow a 24 hour response time for email! [©]

2024 ALL STATE AUDITION MATERIAL IS OUT!

The audition material for the 2024 Colorado All State Band has been released and we have plenty of copies in the band office!

Juniors & Seniors are eligible to audition for the Colorado All State Band, but any grade level is able to audition for the Colorado Springs All City Band (which is the same music!)

Many students have already received audition material – please see Mr. Race if you would like to get music to audition!

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

We still have chocolate left to sell! For our fall fundrasier, students check-out a box of candy bars (60 total candy bars) and sell them! Candy bars are \$1.00 each, and students are responsible for returning \$60.00 for each box checked-out.

The money we raise makes it possible to drastically cut-down out-of-pocket family expenses – please help us be successful by participating!

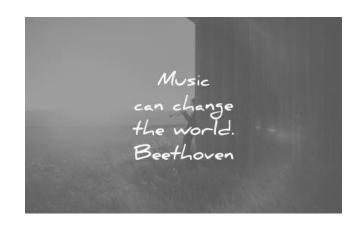
IMPORTANT DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

September 1 – Home Football Game
September 4 – Fountain Fall Festival Parade
September 9 – Band Camp 2.0 & Parent Show!
September 16 – Friendship Cup
September 28th – Fall Band Concert
September 29th-30th – Colorado West
Marching Festival

Looking ahead....

October 5th – Home Football Game October 7th – Big Cat Marching Invitational October 9th – SoCo Marching Showcase October 18th – CBA Southern Regional





2023-2024 Band Handbook

Please review the 2023-2024 Band Handbook! There's a lot of important information on how the band program operates: lettering information, grading, etc.

CLICK HERE TO READ THE HANDBOOK