

DECATUR CENTRAL HS BAND
BOOSTER MEETING
April 2022 6:00pm



Director's Report:

ISSMA JAZZ STATE FINALS

Congratulations to the students of Jazz Ensemble #1 who qualified for the FIRST TIME IN SCHOOL HISTORY as one of the TOP NINE bands (out of 220 jazz ensembles that competed at the DISTRICT level). ALSO congratulations to



PEYTON DORSEY who was named as an "OUTSTANDING SOLOIST" at the State Finals. Jazz Ensemble #2 was awarded a GOLD Rating from each of the 3 judges at District and Jazz Ensemble #1 was also awarded a Gold "With Distinction" at the District level. We had several members also get a Blue Ribbon for outstanding solos.

WINTER PERCUSSION
ENSEMBLE OPEN CLASS
STATE CHAMPIONS!

This group ended their Indiana season as the Open Movement STATE CHAMPIONS. This caps off a tremendous season and extends their winning streak to 4 shows in a row leading up to the performance at Indiana State University. THIS IS CHAMPIONSHIP #5 for the WPE (2005, 2008, 2013, 2018, and now 2022). Congratulations to the STAFF: Cal Lennon, Andrew Fortuna, Jeremy Otoo, Jared Staples, Chris Murphree, Emily Owens. They are OUTSTANDING! The next trip will be to the WGI World Percussion Championships in a few weeks - April 21-23, 2022. We will have lots of info to share about our big WGI Trip at our Mandatory meeting that will be held April 20th at 6:15.



WINTER GUARD – Congratulations to all the students, staff and parents who helped the three winter guards who performed and completed this year. The VARSITY guard performed well at STATE FINALS in Open class – placing 7th this year.

They attended WGI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS last week placing 40th. Congratulations to Director Makayla Arzate and her staff. Also thanks to the MANY PARENTS who helped the group all season – we are very proud of you! Thanks to Matt Scott and his staff as well who capped off a



tremendous season of Indiana competitions. We appreciate your hard work and sacrifice.

HOSTING IHSCGA Color Guard STATE PRELIMS and Divisional Finals....an amazing 72 winter guard performed at DCHS from 9:00am to about 9:00pm last month. We continue to hear great things about this event from all that attended. Although the task was big - our Band Boosters and Band Students did an amazing job hosting. The band made some money – although the final reports are not back yet from the Indiana Color Guard Association. We have a wonderful facility and a dedicated group of people that make hosting events something to be proud of.

HOSTING ISSMA Large Group assessment: This event was “Weekend #1” of the ISSMA Organizational season this year and we end up with one of the Largest Sites in all of Indiana for this weekend. We had over 43 performances from Bands / Choirs /and Orchestras. Bravo to our contest chair – Gwen who made it all work out amazingly well as well as our AMAZING STUDENTS who stepped up one again to host. We have several parents who also help and this is always appreciated. We made over \$2500 for the General fund!

Congratulations to the CONCERT BAND who earned a GOLD from all 3 judges this past weekend at our ISSMA Evaluation!

New Events:

- **May 18th - BAND and CHOIR BANQUET in our Cafe - Students should bring?**
- **May 20th - Band-O-Rama Concert with all the bands of DHCS and DMS!**

7:00pm / Admission is \$5

- **April 30th - ISSMA State Qualifications (WIND ENSEMBLE)**

This is a competition against the Rubric of ISSMA but it will also determine who will attend the Concert Band State Finals (top 16). Our Event will be At Zionsville HS at 2:00pm - it is free and all are welcome to attend.



SWEET NIGHT OF JAZZ – The 20th annual Jazz event will be held May 11 at DCHS! The concert will begin at 7:00pm!! We are very thankful once again for the many parents who are helping to get everything set up for us. TICKETS will be SOLD AT THE DOOR **PRICE \$5.00 age 12yrs. And up. We will have Desserts and Coffee available for purchase as well as a SILENT AUCTION where

you can bid on a huge variety of prizes (food, drink, sporting events, sporting items, Fun things - passes to events, etc.)

Cedar Point Trip for Jazz Band #1 and #2 on May 13 and 14, 2022

This is a special fun event that Mr. Cox has planned for the members of these bands. We will compete on FRIDAY NIGHT, go to a hotel to sleep, then spend Saturday in the Park (and get our results from the contest as well).

Cedar Point

Students have to HAND IN a permission slip and the money is due before we go. Price is \$120.00 plus some meal money

Concert Band Uniforms:



Thanks to LESLIE and her amazing team of volunteers who helped to get the concert band and wind ensemble into our FORMAL Uniforms for our ISSMA evaluations. We appreciate you - and we LOOK GREAT!

MANDATORY MARCHING BAND AND GUARD MEETING on MAY 4th!
7:00pm in the band room. We will lots of info

- Drum Major Workshops are planned to select our new 2022 Drum Majors
- Leadership Workshops are planned to select our new 2022 Section Leaders and Captains.



A New Color Guard Director has been selected - more information to come!

Budget 2022-23 currently being worked on – I will share all of the details At the next meeting.

Upcoming events: *(and help that is needed)*

Spring Concert / Band-o-rama: MAY 10th – Lots more Info coming soon!! Location: DCHS MAIN GYM. Time 7:00pm

Band Banquet May 18th at 6:30pm in the HS Café. *I would like to have a committee to help us pick the menu and get the arrangements in place.*

Graduation is may 26 (Brass Ensemble only)