Message sent from Olathe Public Schools

#### Parents and Students-

## Congratulations!

We are so excited for our students that were selected to the East Central Kansas Honor bands! We are in the most competitive region in the State, so this represents a huge achievement for these students. Please check the website or our social media accounts for a list of all 17 students! Parents I have emailed information directly to the students about the day. They will be missing half a day on Friday the 1st, so it will be important that they have a plan to get to their rehearsal that afternoon as we are not busing.

### **Cookie Dough Delivery**

Cookie dough will be delivered this Friday the 17th and available for pick-up immediately after school. All cookie dough must be picked up by 3:30 p.m. If students have conflicts, they need to arrange for someone else to pick it up for them and put it in a freezer until they can get it. I have a doctor's appointment that evening that I will be leaving for right at 3:30 p.m. so it is very important everyone remembers to come and pick it up in the band room right afterschool. Some students sold a lot and will need a ride if they normally walk as it will be more than they can carry home.

#### **Winter Concert**

Reminder that the winter concert will be Thursday, December 7th in the auditorium at Olathe East. Students will be wearing the concert uniforms that they are being sized for in class this week. Students must wear black socks and dress shoes with their tuxes. Please email if they need to borrow some black shoes. Tennis shoes will not be allowed.

## **Concert Uniforms**

We are in the process of sizing students for the concert uniforms. A reminder that students wearing a tux must provide their own tux shirt and black bow tie. Here is the link that I put in the last update. If you haven't ordered it yet I would do so this week to make sure it is here in time for the concert

https://www.amazon.com/OmegaTux-Collar-Tuxedo-

BowtieConvertible/dp/B09QC31ZG4/ref=sr 1 7?crid=3V66JFJ43OYSO&keywords=tuxedo%2Bshirt %2Bbo

w%2Btie%2Bcombo%2Bbarrel%2Bcuff&qid=1698416641&sprefix=tuxedo%2Bshirt%2Bbow%2Btie %2Bcombo%2Bbarrel%2Bcuff%2Caps%2C101&sr=8-7&th=1

### **Extra Rehearsals**

We will only have about a week and half left before our winter concert when we return from Thanksgiving break. With this in mind we will be having extra rehearsals to plug in the percussion students that meet in a different hour than the winds.

Friday, November 17th- Wind Ensemble 7 a.m.

Monday December 4th- Wind Ensemble 7 a.m.

Tuesday, November 28th and Tuesday, December 5th- Symphonic Band 7 a.m.

The Concert Band has several extra rehearsals scheduled as well but they are all scheduled to be during Advisory/Seminar period during the school day.

## **Tuba Christmas**

Our baritone and tuba students will once again be participating in Heavy Metal Christmas which is the Olathe District version of Tuba Christmas. It will be held at College Church of the Nazarene, 2020 E. Sheridan Street on Wednesday, November 29th . It is open to the public free of charge. The concert starts at 11 a.m. Students will be missing class that morning. They will need to bring money for lunch with them.

# **Help Needed**

We need some parents to help serve refreshments at the choir concert as their parents serve refreshments at ours so that none of our parents have to miss the concert to get it setup. Here is the link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E054AAEA829A5F85-202210/38727275#/

Thanks,

Mr. Smikahl