Symphonic/Concert Band/

Before Thanksgiving Newsletter

Hello Parents/Students,

It's going to be a very busy sprint to the Holiday Break!

<u>1) Formal Uniforms</u> – The uniform distribution started yesterday and continues this week. Students will keep them until the end of the year. This will be the uniform for the Holiday Concert and all other formal concerts/contests. The uniform consists of:

- <u>Ladies: Concert Gown</u>
- Gentlemen: Tuxedo (coat, pants, shirt & *bow tie). *Bow ties will be passed out closer to our performance.

Please have them try on their uniform at home. Most if not all uniforms will need some sort of hemming. Please remember <u>never to use scissors to hem up the uniform</u>. **Hem tape is recommended**. Also, students MUST wear black dress SOCKS & black dress SHOES.

2) Holiday Concert – Formal Uniforms. The schedule will be as follows:

Monday, December 11th @ BMS Cafeteria

Beginning Band Performs - 6pm

Concert Band Performs - 6:30pm Report time is 6:15 to Band Hall

Symphonic Band Performs -7pm Report time is 6:45 to Band Hall

Jazz Band/Honors Band - 7:30pm Report time is 7:15 to Band Hall

Students are dismissed after their performance.

3) Band Pictures - Monday, December 11th - A group picture will be taken at the beginning of each band class. Individual pictures will be taken shortly thereafter. A handout can be found at http://www.morganphotosa.com/flyer_new.pdf. Students need to bring their FORMAL uniform to school and can change at the beginning of class. As the group picture will be part of this year's yearbook, students who do not bring uniforms will not be included.

<u>**5)** Casablanca Lock-in Information</u> – Info regarding the *Practice Challenge Reward Lockin* will be passed later this week.

<u>**6) Private Lessons**</u> - *We recommend private lessons for all students*. Private lesson teachers are available but slots are filling up *fast*.

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