

# Symphonic/Concert Bands

## Before Thanksgiving Newsletter

Hello Parents/Students,

**1) Formal Uniforms** – The uniform distribution starts today! 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:

- Ladies: Concert Gown
- Gentlemen: Tuxedo (coat, pants, shirt & bow tie). Bow ties are \$5 to replace. *Don't lose them!* Please have them try on their uniform at home. Most if not all uniforms will need some sort of hemming. Please, do not use scissors to hem up the uniform. Hem tape is recommended. Also, students **MUST** wear black dress SOCKS & black dress SHOES.

**2) Grades - End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Six Weeks - Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**; students, pass your classes

**3) Band Pictures on Holiday Concert Day** – Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> - 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](http://www.morganphotosa.com/flyer_new.pdf). Students need to bring their FORMAL uniform to school and will 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.

## PERFORMANCES: (please mark your calendars)

- **Ensemble Performances** – Students will perform in a small ensemble during class or before school starting the week after Thanksgiving.

- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Taft/Comm Arts Field Trip** – Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 10:45am – 1pm  
The Taft HS & Briscoe MS directors have scheduled a field trip for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to tour Taft/Comm Arts facilities to listen to student speakers and a meet-&-greet with the HS students. An itinerary will be passed out soon.

- **Holiday Concert** – Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> - Dress – Formal Uniforms  
Beginning Band Performs - 6pm *Report time is 5:30 to Band Hall*  
**Concert Band Performs - 7pm *Report time is 6:45 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.*

Thank you,  
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