

This week in the Coleman Bands:

Happy second semester, Coleman Cougars! We had an eventful week with the beginning of the new semester. We said goodbye to band students who moved or graduated, and welcomed some new faces to the groups! The High School Band started working on their Solo & Ensemble pieces and/or Winter Projects, while the Middle School Band practiced more music and began a new semester of lessons. And both bands took their yearbook photos on Wednesday -- you can get a sneak peak below!

Announcements & Reminders

- All band debts were due on Wednesday, January 18. Students must pay all debts in order to be removed from the debt list.
- Our annual Valentine's Day fundraiser has started! Coleman Middle and High School Band students are selling carnations, roses, balloons, and flower arrangements! All orders are due with full payment by Tuesday, February 7.
- In addition to the Valentine's Day fundraiser, Coleman Band students are also selling Younkers coupon books from now until February 22! All money raised from both fundraisers goes to students' individual accounts to pay for band trips, shirts, and other band supplies.

Upcoming Coleman Band Events

- HS Pep Bands:
 - o Friday, February 3 at 6:30pm (Girls' Basketball Parents' Night)
 - o Friday, February 10 at 6:30pm (Boys' Basketball Parents' Night)
- Valentine's Day Fundraiser
 - Sales: now until Tuesday, February 7
 - Delivery: Tuesday, February 14
- Younkers Fundraiser
 - o Sales: now until Wednesday, February 22
- No School Thursday, February 23 and Friday, February 24
 - o Teacher in-service and President's Day Weekend

CHS Band Updates

We started the second semester of HS
Band by diving into their Solo &
Ensemble music and/or their Winter
Projects. Students are preparing solos or
small groups to play at our district
festival in April, and others are
researching musical subjects to present
at the end of March. Students are
researching everything from Miles Davis
to the history of the ukulele -- it
promises to be an interesting unit!

CMS Band Updates

The Middle School Band had another week of good rehearsals as they improve on their concert music, learn new scales, and practice their sight-reading skills. They did so well that they earned more free social time on Friday afternoon with the choir students -- way to go, Middle School Band!

5th Grade Band Updates

The 5th Grade Band kept up with their usual lesson schedule, and students have been learning lots of new songs out of their lesson books! We're getting better at reading our music, remembering fingerings, and building up endurance to play for longer periods on our instruments. Some students have even learned new notes and new techniques on their instruments! Keep up the great work, 5th Graders!

Photos of the Week





The 2016-17 Coleman High School and Middle School Bands!

□ Thanks for reading! □

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-Berthold Auerbach

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