

## This week in the Coleman Bands:

We had a great week in band as we dug into more of our Large Group Contest music and our Solo & Ensemble projects. Middle School Band students learned some new music and worked on their sight-reading skills, while High School Band members got to work on their entries for Solo & Ensemble festival and their research projects. And 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band continues to get better and better at reading and playing, and many of them even learned a new note this week!

#### **Announcements & Reminders**

- All **band debts** were due by **Wednesday**, **January 18**. Students must pay all band debts to be removed from the debt list.
- Our annual Valentine's Day fundraiser is almost done! Coleman Middle and High School Band students are selling carnations, roses, balloons, and flower arrangements! All orders are due with full payment by this Tuesday, February 7. All items need to be picked up by students at 7:30am on Tuesday, February 14.
- 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 Band: Friday, February 10 at 6:30pm (Boys' Basketball Parents' Night)
  - o Our last pep band for the year let's make it a good one!
- Valentine's Day Fundraiser:
  - Sales end Tuesday, February 7
  - o Student pick-up: 7:30am on Tuesday, February 14
- Younkers Fundraiser: sales end Wednesday, February 22
- No School: Thursday, February 23 and Friday, February 24

#### **CHS Band Updates**

This week, the HS Band got to work on their research projects and their Solo & Ensemble entries. Students have from now until the end of March to prepare a solo or ensemble performance, or to create a research project about a musical topic of their choosing. Students, remember to check in each week with Ms. Shuman to show your progress - you do get graded for checking in!

#### **CMS Band Updates**

The Middle School Band had a great week of rehearsals and lessons this week! They sight-read a new piece of music for Large Group Contest, and they continued to work on other pieces for the concert. Students also got back into their regular lesson schedule. Keep coming to lessons on time, and keep an eye out for new music headed your way, MS Band!

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Updates

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band members had a great week of lessons! We learned some new notes and new songs, and now know all of the notes we need in order to play a very familiar melody. Parents, encourage your student to practice through "Mozart Melody" in their book and see if you can figure out what song it is!

#### Photos of the Week





The High School Pep Band playing at Parents' Night for the Girls' Basketball team on Friday night!

# Thanks for reading!

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# Weekly Musical Inspiration:

"Music was my refuge. I could crawl into the space between the notes and curl my back to loneliness."
-Maya Angelou

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