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#### THE TROY COLT BANDS INFORMATION SOURCE

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#### February 2023

Friday, February 3 Saturday, February 4 Thursday, February 9 Saturday, February 11 Thursday, February 23 MSBOA District Large Percussion Solo and Ensemble Festival MSBOA Solo and Ensemble Festival WMU Clinician for Concert and Symphonic bands during class Jazz Ensemble performs at Snowcoming Dance at THS Festival Concert, Macomb Center for Performing Arts 7pm



#### Dear Band Parents:

The winter months are a great time to support and enjoy the Troy Colt Bands with their many upcoming performances!

#### MSBOA DISTRICT 16 CHAMBER & SOLO & ENSEMBLE

**FESTIVALS** - Over the course of three days, many of our student musicians performed in MSBOA District Solo/Ensemble events at Rochester High School. These events included six honors chamber groups, three large percussion ensembles and over one hundred solos and small ensembles. Students received incredible feedback from professional adjudicators and gained valuable performance experience. Congratulations to all members of our Troy Colt Bands who participated!

**A FESTIVAL CONCERT** - Our annual Festival Concert will take place at Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, **Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm**. Tickets for the concert are \$10 each and may be ordered on line here: <u>Tickets</u>, or by returning the attached order form with payment (cash or checks payable to THBB) in an envelope marked "Festival Concert" to the black box in the band <u>room by Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup></u>. Tickets will be sent home in a red envelope with students on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Students are required to check-in their complete concert band uniform before school on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, between 6:15 and 7am for this concert. Students who miss this check-in will need to return to school between 6 and 7pm that evening for an alternative collection time. Please make sure the following items are in your child's garment bag: Ladies – concert dress, hair tie, black nylons and black dress shoes. Men – tuxedo shirt, jacket & pants, black calf length socks and black dress shoes.

Students will be transported (by school bus) directly after school to the Macomb Center for a catered dinner and then their pre-concert dress rehearsal/sound check. **NOTE**: No transportation will be

provided after the concert back to the school, so please make arrangements for your students to return at the end of the event.

For ease and convenience, the Band Boosters have secured a catered dinner for all students that will be served at the Macomb Center prior to sound checks. <u>Students are required to pay \$15 in advance to the black box in the band room by February 15<sup>th</sup> for this extensive pasta and salad buffet. We have taken great care to ensure that all dietary needs will be met with this catered meal. No outside food and beverages will be allowed for dinner at this event.</u>

**CHAPERONES NEEDED!** - Please consider volunteering to serve as a chaperone for our Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> Festival Concert. *Chaperones (like students) must arrange for return transportation. Chaperones are also required to purchase a ticket.* To sign-up to chaperone the Festival Concert, please click on this link for <u>chaperones.</u> If you have questions, please contact Cari Coffer THBB Chaperone Coordinator at <u>THBB Chaperones@troycoltsbands.org.</u> Thank you for your support!

**STUDENT VOLUNTEER HOURS** - Thank you to all students who have completed volunteer hours. For students who have not yet completed their service hours, look for signup sheets posted in class during our busy concert season. To receive credit, students must complete a point slip and place it in the black box.

**"JAZZED ABOUT JAZZ"** - The 2023 Colt Celebration is approaching soon! Join us for the annual Jazz Ensemble Dinner Dance on Friday March 3rd at the American Polish Cultural Center in Troy for a fabulous evening of dinner, dining, silent auction, and music entertainment by our Troy High Jazz Ensemble. This is a sophisticated (and very fun!) evening you will not want to miss. It is not necessary to have a student in the Jazz Ensemble to enjoy this wonderful getaway. For your dining pleasure, we have secured a family style meal that is sure to please every palate - Michigan salad, meatballs, chicken scallopini, fettuccini alfredo, mashed potatoes, key west vegetables, cake, and ice cream. Join us for an evening to remember! Tickets are now on sale online at the following link: <u>Tickets</u> - \$55 adults, \$30 student, and a special discount for a full table of 10. See you there! Help is needed for the setup of this spectacular event, so please consider signing up <u>here</u>.

**TREASURERS, TALENT & TRAVEL** - Every year the Colt Celebration, featuring our amazing Troy High Jazz Ensemble, includes an exciting Silent Auction to raise money for the Troy High band program. We need your help to provide exciting, attractive items



the Troy High band program. We need your help to provide exciting, attractive items for our guests. Are you able to offer tickets to a professional/collegiate sporting event? Can you share a special talent such as teaching voice lessons? Can you offer a weekend at a cottage up north? Please consider donating items (artwork, jewelry,

services, etc.). Contact Urmil Lamba at 810-965-4578 or <u>THBB Fundraising@troycoltbands.org</u> to contribute to our auction.

**SPRING TRUE NEWS** - We are headed to San Antonio, TX for the San Antonio Showcase of Music Festival, and the Marching Band Performance in the (nighttime illuminated) Fiesta Flambeau Parade! The trip is planned for April 26-30, 2023. All the details are here in the 2023 Spring Trip Brochure.

**Trip chaperones Needed!** - We are still looking for 4 additional male and one female chaperones for the San Antonio trip. Please consider signing up to help make this trip

possible for our students! We are also in need for someone in the medical field as a chaperone. If you have any questions, please contact Beth Cooper and Cari Coffer at <u>springtripcoordinator@troycoltbands.org</u>.

**CLASS OF 2023 PARENTS** - Believe it or not, it is time to start working on our Senior Slideshow to be presented at the Spring Band Banquet. We need YOUR help to make it special for each of our seniors! Please submit one baby/toddler picture and one current picture (jpg or png formats) of each senior to present in the slideshow. Pictures can be emailed to <u>seniorandbaby-</u> <u>pics@troycoltbands.org</u>. So, start flipping through those photo albums and find your favorites!

**PHOTOS and VIDEOS AVAILABLE** - The Troy Colt Bands Media team continues to click and post. Check out the TC Band <u>website</u> for the latest albums and videos, including the Winter Concert album!

**Band Calendar** - For a full list of the Troy Colt Bands upcoming events for 2023 planning, please log into <u>Charms</u> to view the full calendar.

**TUNE IN!** - In addition to the monthly newsletter, we will communicate via occasional "flash" emails (reminders, new information and urgent notices), Booster meetings, and the <u>band website</u>. You can also follow us on <u>Twitter</u> and "like us" on <u>Facebook</u>. If you need to update your email address please contact Band Booster Vice President, Jennifer Kovacs, at <u>THBB Vicepresident@troycoltbands.org</u>.

**BOARD VACANCY** - There will be an opening on the Troy High Band Booster Executive Board for the 2023-2024 school year - the Public Relations Chairperson. If you are interested in stepping up to assist the band program by serving in this important position, please contact THBB President, Josephine Dannug at <u>THBB President@troycoltbands.org</u>.

Please visit troycoltbands.org for pertinent information on all band activities.

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#### March 2023

Friday, March 3 Thursday, March 9 Monday, March 13 & Tuesday, March 14 Thursday, March 16 Monday, March 20 & Tuesday, March 21

#### **APTIL 2023**

Monday, April 3 & Tuesday, April 4 Wednesday, April 5 Thursday, April 20 Monday, April 24 Wednesday, April 26 - Sunday, April 30 Jazz Ensemble Dinner/Dance, "Jazzed About Jazz" MSBOA District Band Festival High School Auditions for 2023-24 Jazz Ensemble Auditions for 2023-24 Middle School Auditions for 2023-24

Colorguard Auditions for 2023-24 State Jazz Festival hosted at Troy High School Showcase of Bands Pre-Spring Trip Dinner/Meeting Spring Trip

## Please keep the following dates free on your calendar, as attendance is mandatory for all 2023-2024 TCMB Members

August 7-10, 2023 August 11-18, 2023 August 21 & 28, 2023 2023 Pre-Camp Week 2023 Band Camp Marching Band Rehearsals, 2:30-5pm



Questions? Please contact <a href="https://www.estimation.org">FestivalConcert@TroyColtBands.org</a>



All pre-orders must be received by Friday, February 17, 2023.

Ticket orders (online or via form) will be sent home in a red envelope with your student by Wednesday, February  $22^{nd}$ . General patron tickets will be at the will call table at the Macomb Center the day of the event.

A Festival Concert Ticket Order
Name
Email
PhoneStudent Name
Student THS Band:
$\Box$ Campus Band $\hfill\square$ Cadet Band $\hfill\square$ Concert Band $\hfill\square$ Symphonic Band
Number of general admission seats $@$ \$10 per ticket
Total dollar amount enclosed (payable to THBB)

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# 2023 COLT CELEBRATION



## TROY HIGH JAZZ ENSEMBLE



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