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#### THE Troy COLT Bands INFORMATION SOURCE

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#### **APRIL 2023**

TCMB Rehearsals, 2:30-4:30pm for Spring Trip participants Monday, April 3, 10, 17, 24

Color Guard Auditions for 2023-24 April 3, 4, & 6

Tuesday, April 4 EMU Band Performance, Troy High School (SB), 7pm

Students report to stage in full uniform for combined rehearsal at 5:30pm

Wednesday, April 5 MSBOA State Jazz Festival, Troy High School (JE)

> Jazz Combo, 3:30pm Performance Times:

Jazz Ensemble, 8:30pm

**Troy High Band Boosters Meeting (Officer Elections)** Wednesday, April 12

Friday, April 14 Colt Celebration Jazz Ensemble Dinner Dance "Jazzed About Jazz"

6:30-10pm, American Polish Cultural Center

Tuesday, April 18 & 25 **Drumline Auditions** 

Thursday, April 20 Showcase of Bands (SB), THS Gym, Two concerts: 6pm & 7:30pm

Students report in full uniform to the band room by 5:30pm

Monday, April 24 Spring Trip Dinner/Meeting, THS Cafeteria

Wednesday, April 26

through Sunday, April 30

Spring Trip – San Antonio, TX (SB, CB, CD, JE, TCMB)

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#### **Dear Band Parents:**

THANK YOU to all who attended our annual Festival Concert at The Macomb Center for the Performing Arts. It was a beautiful evening of fabulous music from each of the ensembles.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all Campus, Cadet, Concert and Symphonic band musicians on outstanding performances at MSBOA District Band Festival and to all THS students that performed at MSBOA State Solo and Ensemble Festival! The Judge's comments were very complimentary. Here are just a few of the remarks: "Superior throughout" "Top notch", "So musical", "Your technique is incredible. Wow!", "Masterfully done", "You are fantastic. I hope you understand how rare a group like this is.".

THE EAGLES ARE LandING straight from EMU! We are excited and honored to host the Eastern Michigan University Wind Symphony at Troy High School on Tuesday, April 4, at 7pm. The performance is free and open to the public. This is an exceptional learning opportunity for students, to hear one of the premiere college music ensembles in the state up close and personal. Our Symphonic Band will open the concert. Please mark this date on your calendar. ALL BAND MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE.

MSBOA DISTFICT JAZZ FESTIVAL - We are honored to be one of the host sites for this year's MSBOA State Jazz Festival on Wednesday, April 5! There will be eight Jazz Ensembles from area schools performing for a panel of judges. Our very own Troy Colt Jazz Combo performs at 3:30pm, and our Troy Colt Jazz Ensemble takes the stage at 8:30pm. We are still in need of help to provide the stellar hosting for which Troy is renowned. Please sign up HERE to assist and enjoy some beautiful jazz music while doing so!

"Jazzed About Jazz" - The 2023 Colt Celebration has been rescheduled! Join us for the annual Jazz Ensemble Dinner Dance on Friday April 14 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: <a href="IICKETS">IICKETS</a> - \$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 <a href="HERE">HERE</a>.

**SPring Trip News and Rehearsals** - We are headed to San Antonio, TX, for the national Showcase of Music Festival, and the TCMB performance in the (nighttime illuminated) Fiesta Flambeau Parade! The trip is scheduled for April 26-30, 2023. In order to condition and prepare for the parade, TCMB rehearsals, for traveling students, will resume on Monday afternoons in April (3, 10, 17, 24) from 2:30-4:30pm. **CADET AND CONCERT BANDS PLEASE NOTE:** There will be combined Cadet and Concert Band only rehearsals on Tuesday, April 11 and Friday, April 21 after school from 2:30-4:00pm.

**SPring Trip Uniform Collection -** Marching Band uniform preparations are under way for San Antonio! Parent Volunteers are needed on April 11<sup>th</sup> to help with these tasks: scan in and hang up marching uniforms, clean the contents of the hat boxes, and count plumes. If we have enough volunteers, it should go quickly. **Please sign up HERE**. Parent Volunteers will also be needed on April 17 for concert uniform collections and marching uniform try-ons, so **please sign up here: UNIFORMS**. We would appreciate your help!!

**SPring Trip Dinner** - Join us on Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup> for the San Antonio Pre-Spring Trip Dinner as we set the tone for our Texas travels. Please see the flyer below for details (<u>RSVP</u> before April 19<sup>th</sup>). There will be a *mandatory* trip meeting following dinner and parents will have an opportunity to learn more about the trip, ask questions, and meet their child's chaperone. Helpers needed and appreciated with set-up and serving dinner. Please sign up <u>HERE</u>.

MUSIC Marathon - Save the date for our Music Marathon Fundraiser which will be held on Saturday, May 20, from 8am-8pm. This is an important fundraiser! ALL Band members will be participating, and we need ALL parents' hands on deck to help make this successful! The pledge drive was launched with students already, and details will be emailed soon to each parent. A planning meeting is scheduled for April 3rd at 7pm at Panera Bread on Crooks Road. Please email our co-chairs at <a href="musicmarathon@troycoltbands.org">musicmarathon@troycoltbands.org</a> if you are available to assist or sign up at <a href="musicmarathon@troycoltbands.org">FOOD AND DRINK</a> or <a href="musicmarathon@troycoltbands.org">STAGE COORDINATOR</a>. We need your participation so please <a href="musicmarathon@troycoltbands.org">VOLUNTEER!</a>!

**SPring Concert Personal ADS** - Congratulate your band student(s) by purchasing a personal "ad" in the Spring Concert program. Be sure to take advantage of this great opportunity to recognize your band student(s) for their wonderful musical accomplishments with the THS Bands!

- Senior Parents Honor and congratulate your graduating senior
- Band Students Congratulate your friends, senior band members, and squad or section leaders
- Freshmen Parents Recognize your freshman for an outstanding first year with the THS Bands
- All Family Members and Friends Show your support and appreciation for all of our talented THS Band members

Everyone is welcome to submit ads. Please see the ad form at the bottom of this newsletter and posted on the band website for details and to place your order today.

#### Mark Your calendars For A Date Change! - An

unforeseen scheduling conflict dictates that we shift the **Spring Concert** date from Thursday, May 11 to **Monday, May 8**. Please mark your calendars accordingly and don't miss the big event! Due to the change, there will not be a dress rehearsal for this concert. Instead, students rehearse on stage during class. Please consider helping with the Spring Concert decorating and serving, sign up here: **DECORATING HELP** or **REFRESHMENT HELP**.

**THE BANQUET IS COMING!** - Please reserve Monday, June 5 for the annual Band Banquet. <u>All</u> band students will be presented multiple awards and are encouraged to attend.

**CLASS OF 2023 PAPENTS** - 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 <a href="mailto:seniorandbaby-pics@troycoltbands.org">seniorandbaby-pics@troycoltbands.org</a>. So, start flipping through those photo albums and find your favorites!

**Troy High Band Booster Meetings** - Our next Band Booster meeting is scheduled for April 12 (Board Elections meeting) at 7pm. Please come to hear important updates from Mr. Nutting and Mr. Greenwood and the Booster Board, meet fellow band parents, and enjoy refreshments. As always, if you have ideas, questions, concerns, or want to become involved, please feel free to contact Director **Brian Nutting**, Associate Director **Jacob Greenwood**, Band Booster President **Josephine Dannug**, or any Band Booster officer. An officer listing is available on the website. The Executive Board will continue to meet monthly to assist in band operations.

**Reminder** - Board nominations and elections will be held at the April 12<sup>th</sup> THBB Elections Meeting. An officer listing is available on the website, as well as job descriptions for each. Anyone interested in running for office should contact the band booster Vice President at THBB VicePresident@troycoltbands.org. Opportunities are NOW available to shadow a position you might be interested in volunteering for in the future. Shadowing is a great way to learn the ropes and get your feet wet before diving right in! Please consider volunteering for these important positions to help support your child and the Troy High Bands continue to be the premier bands in our area!

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#### **MAY 2023**

May 5	MSBOA State Band & Orchestra Festival
May 8	Spring Concert (All Bands), 7pm
May 12	Drum Major Auditions
May 20	Music Marathon, (All Bands) 8am-8pm
May 24	Senior Picnic
May 25	TCMB Orientation Meeting, 7pm

#### **JUNE 2023**

June 5 Band Banquet – San Marino Club 7pm

June 9 Jamie Samuelsen Strike Out Colon Cancer Event (TCMB)

#### LOOKING AHEAD

July 24-27 Troy High Summer Jazz Institute (2023-24 auditioned members)

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

August 7-10, 2023 **2023 Pre-Camp Week** August 11-18, 2023 **2023 Band Camp** 

August 21 & 28, 2023 Marching Band Rehearsals, 2:30-5pm



## Eastern Michigan University Wind Symphony

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Troy Symphonic Band

April 4, 2023 7:00pm

Troy High School Auditorium 4777 Northfield Pkwy, Troy Free Admission

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19/19, March 3rd, 6-10PM • AMERICAN POLISH CULTURAL CENTER





## SAN ANTONIO TEXAS



SPRING TRIP DINNER

Please join us for a fun-filled fiesta evening spending time with our band family and meeting the chaperones, while enjoying a catered meal from Qdoba.

We will be serving soft tacos (beef/chicken/veggie) with all the fixings, soda/water/lemonade and cake.



The meal is \$15 per person

THS Cafeteria

April 24<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8pm

RSVP here by April 19th via SignUpGenius

Payment due at the event (Cash or Credit)



#### 1) On a Personal Note... 1]

Congratulate and recognize your band student by purchasing a personal "ad" in the Spring Concert program!

Each ad can be up to 120 characters\* long at a cost of \$10 per ad. Please note that any ad that exceeds the allotted number of spaces will be edited.

\* includes spaces and punctuation

#### Sample:

Susie - Your music fills our hearts with joy. Congratulations on a great year.

We are so proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad (120 characters)

Please clearly PRINT your ad in the spaces provided.

Please print) Band Student Name: Submitted By: Phone Number:														_ _ _								

Please turn your ad form(s) along with cash/check payment \$10 (per ad) to the black box.

Make checks payable to: THBB

Questions? Contact Denice Schomer at dschomer@troy.k12.mi.us All ads must be received by April 28, 2023.