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## THE TROY COLT BANDS INFORMATION SOURCE



November 2016

TBA Thursday, November 3 Spring Trip (NYC) Deposit Due (CB/SB/JE)

Laser Tag, ZapZone, 6-9pm (MB only, see Laser Tag Flyer)



Dear Band Parents,

MSBOA PERFORMANCE MEETS WITH "ROCK SOLID" REVUES! The Troy Colt Marching Band hosted and performed at the MSBOA District XVI Marching Band Festival. The band once again received an overall Division I rating. Scores from three judges included a predominance of A+'s in areas of marching, music and general effect/showmanship. Comments included, "Great energy and spirit," "Excellent coordination of all show elements," "Great show," "Music was exciting, well performed, and fun to listen to!," "Marching was strong, detailed, and accurate," "Outstanding colorguard," "Excellent coordination of visual and musical aspects of your program." Our "rock" stars rule supreme! Way to go TCMB!

And a special thank you to the countless parent volunteers and supporters who fueled our success!

AN "OUT OF THIS WORLD" EXPERIENCE. To celebrate the end of a stellar season, marching band students are invited to an evening of outlandish fun at ZapZone in Utica on Thursday, November 3rd. The only charge to students is \$8. Please complete this Laser Tag Flyer and place it along with your payment in an envelope marked with your student's name and "Zap Zone" in the black filing cabinet in the band room, by October 27th.

**START SPREADING THE NEWS!!** It is official that the Concert and Symphonic bands as well as the Jazz Ensemble, has been invited to perform on the main stage of the Lincoln Center in **New York, NY** this spring! We hope everyone can attend this exciting trip! More to follow soon.

**CONCERT SEASON BEGINS!** Concert Season Performance Contracts are due from ALL band students *by* November 7. Please complete the <u>contract</u> and place in the black box.

**CONCERT UNIFORM FITTINGS** will take place in class on Tuesday, November 8th and Wednesday, November 9th. <u>Girls are to bring their closed toe black heels to school so that their</u> <u>dresses can be hemmed to the proper length</u>. Additional detailed information to follow. For uniform questions, please contact Weatherly Verhelst at <u>thbb\_uniforms@troycoltbands.org</u>.

**YANKEE CANDLE SELLING SEASON CONTINUES** through January 11th. Our initial ordering period is over, but orders placed through January 11, 2017 continue to benefit the band. Please share the link <u>www.yankeecandlefundraising.com</u> with your friends and family for additional sales all throughout the holiday season. Shop using the online catalog with our group ID: **99521807**, and 40% of each purchase will go back to the Troy Colt Bands. Items will be shipped directly to your customer. Look for online exclusive offers, and holiday specials. Thanks to your efforts, our profits are now over \$10,000 and growing.

**MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK,** with 273 band students enrolled in the program this year, it is necessary to continue our program for **Student Volunteer Hours**. Each student will be required, as part of their grade, to fulfill 3 volunteer hours until the end of the school year. Look for a Signup Genius link in your email box this month. New volunteer opportunities will be added as they become available. Don't wait until the end of the year to get your volunteer hours in.

**COLT CELEBRATION!** (Early Bird Special) The 2017 Colt Celebration is approaching soon! Join us for the annual Jazz Ensemble Dinner Dance on Friday, March 17 at the CenterPoint Marriott for a fabulous evening of dinner, dining, silent auction, and of course your own Troy High School 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've secured three exceptional meal options. Finally, there will be a silent auction with a wide array of prizes. Mark your calendars now and join us in March for an evening to remember. Tickets will be on sale in the lobby at the Winter Concert on December 8th or by completing and returning the attached Colt Celebration<u>order form</u>. Purchase tickets prior to January 1st for early bird prices!

**BOWLING FOR THE BAND** - "The Jake Effect" was established by the Love family in memory of their son (former band student) Jacob Love (1991-2009). Jake exemplified a lifestyle of "quiet courage, inspiration, and the need to live, laugh and love every day." The Jacob Love band scholarship is given to a deserving band student at the yearly band banquet. Support this most worthwhile cause by attending the annual <u>"Bowling for the Band"</u> fundraiser on Friday, December 23, 2016.

Please visit <u>www.troycoltbands.org</u> for pertinent, up-to-date information on all band activities.



TBA	Spring Trip, payment #2 due
December 7	Dress Rehearsal, Winter Concert
December 8	Winter Concert
December 23	Bowling for the Band

## FAST FORWARD

March 20	LINCOLN CENTER COMMAND PERFORMANCE –
	Pre-Trip Meeting/Concert Preview/Reception
March 22-25	Spring Trip to New York, NY (SB, CB, JE)

August 11-18, 2017	2017 Band Camp
August 21, 28, 2017	Marching Band Practices, 2:30-5pm