



WARRIORS IN TUNE

February 2019

Website: <http://www.washingtonbands.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonHighSchoolBandsSiouxFallsSd>

February:

5: Solo and Ensemble Contest – Augustana

(and Middle School Pep Band Night)

7: Prism Band Concert – 7 PM

8: Morningside Jazz Festival, TBD

11: 2019-2020 Band Placement Auditions Begin

15: Scrip Card Order Due

**** No Band Booster Meeting this month.**

March:

5: Jazz on the Upper Great Plains, Augustana, TBD

11: Band Booster Meeting – 7 PM – WHS Band Room

21-23: All State Band (select students) at NSU

28: Mandatory Fine Arts/Sports meeting – 6 PM – WHS Main Gym



Hello Warrior Families,

Doesn't it feel like January lasted forever? We are finally in the month of February where our focus is Solo Ensemble Contest, Pep Band, incoming eighth graders, and the new marching band show!

Tuesday, February 5th will be a long, but important, day for the WHS Band program. First, the Sioux Falls Schools Solo and Ensemble Contest will be held on this day at Augustana University. Several students have been preparing solos, duets, or small ensemble pieces in preparation to perform and be judged on this day. If your student is participating, the bus will load at WHS on Tuesday, February 5th at **6:45AM** for Augustana. All students will return to class around 5th period at WHS.

In addition, Tuesday, February 5th is also our Middle School Pep Band Night! We will be inviting all incoming 8th graders from PHMS and WMS to join us for the boys' basketball game. Pizza will be served at 5:45pm, rehearsal at 6:15pm, and we play for pregame at 6:45pm. We will also play for halftime around 7:45pm. We hope many WHS students will participate in this pep band night and make it a fun and memorable experience.

Lastly, we are gearing up for another great marching band season (already!) beginning with 2019 color guard auditions. We are trying something new this year and are having auditions at the middle schools to make it easier on 8th graders. All auditions are from 4pm-6pm in the auditoriums of the respective middle schools. Dates are below. Please spread the word! All that the auditionees need to do is show up and our coach will be ready with a flag for them.

PHMS: Thursday and Friday, February 21-22 and Monday, February 25th

WMS: Thursday and Friday, February 28 and March 1st and Monday, March 4th

We are planning to announce the new show to the band students on Friday, February 15th at which point, audition material for the 2019 Drum Majors will be released.

As you are thinking about marching band/sports, we would like to make you aware of a VERY IMPORTANT date: Washington is trying something new this year and will be combining the fall sports night and the fall fine arts night into one big event. This is to streamline the mandatory meetings required for parents into one night. Phew! This date will be **Thursday, March 28th**. All parents of students in any sports OR fine arts activity for the 2019-2020 school year MUST ATTEND. A tentative schedule is as follows:

6:00pm – 6:30pm: Fine Arts Activity Mandatory Meeting in WHS Main Gym

7:00pm – 7:30pm: Athletics Mandatory Meeting in WHS Main Gym

The time between meetings (6:30-7:00) will be utilized in an "open house" format where several tables will be set up to gather information from all coaches and directors. Make sure and stop by the band table to get all the information you will need for the fall marching band season including the season schedule and ask any questions.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope to see you at the Prism Concert on Thursday, February 7th at 7pm in the WHS Auditorium!



ALL-STATE BAND

Congratulations to the WHS band students that made the 2019 All State Band. Six out of the seven students that auditioned from Washington made it and two of those are first chair players in their sections. Congratulations!!

- Mariska Gurath – Flute, Senior
- Brett Schumacher – Alto Saxophone, Senior *
- Andrew Deaver – Trombone, Senior *
- Alexis Fenhaus – Bass Clarinet, Junior
- Cole Johnson – Oboe, Junior
- Morgan Saylor – Clarinet, Freshman

The All-State Band Concert will be held on March 23, 2019 in the Johnson Fine Arts Center of Northern State University in Aberdeen at 4 PM. Please consider attending to support the program.

GREAT PLAINS FROZEN FOOD FUNDRAISER

Now is a great time to stock up on your favorite frozen foods while supporting your student (and his/her band fundraising account!). Many products to tempt everyone – gourmet cookies, braided strudels, cheesecakes, dips, soups, and more! Ask your student for a copy of the order form or check out www.greatplainsfundraising.com using our code of 7504. All orders are due by Friday, February 8th and delivery will be Thursday, February 28th at 3:30 in the band room.

OTHER FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

Don't forget the other ongoing fundraisers:

- 1) **Hy-Vee cards** - The form is attached to the newsletter. Hy-Vee cards are sold at Band Booster meetings, Band concerts and other events.
- 2) **Interstate Batteries** - We have packs of 24 – AA & AAA batteries available. The packs sell for \$15 each and the students receive a profit of \$9-\$10 on each pack sold. The battery form is available online and batteries are sold at Band Booster meetings, Band concerts and other events.
- 3) **Scrip Cards** –WHS Band Boosters will order gift cards at a discount; families pay face value for the cards and the difference is an instant rebate for your students account. Instructions for placing a Scrip order are available on the band website: <http://www.washingtonbands.org/fundraising.html> - Click on the 'Learn More' button under the Shop with Scrip section. The next Scrip Card order will be due on **February 15th**.

If you have any questions regarding fundraising, please contact Heidi Tooley at 376-2239 or email washingtonbandsinfo@gmail.com. Thanks for your support of the Warrior Bands!

WHS Band Hy-Vee Card On-Going Fundraiser

Hy-Vee Card **ORDERS** are due the first and third Monday of each month (Tuesday if Monday holiday).

Hy-Vee card orders (clearly label as Hy-Vee order) should be left in the designated envelope in the band room at the time your student has class or mailed/delivered to **Dawn Taborda, 2208 E. 1st Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57103** up until 8pm on due date. During summer months, all orders must be mailed/delivered to Dawn Taborda.

Hy-Vee Card **PICK-UP** is on the Thursday of the order week (Tuesday on Thanksgiving week).

Hy-Vee cards can be picked up from 6:30 - 7:00 PM at **616 N. Leadale Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57103**. If you will be unable to pick up your order at this time contact me at **321-0607 (cell)** or email me at **dawnmomx4@aol.com** to arrange another time. Pick-up will be at the school if a Band Concert or band event is occurring on the scheduled pick-up night.

Hy-Vee Cards will also be available for purchase at Band Booster meetings, Band Concerts and other band events.

WHS BAND HY-VEE CARD ORDER FORM

Date _____ Student Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Phone # _____ Email address: _____

*Payment must accompany the order blank, **Checks only please.**

*Make checks **payable to WHS band.**

Select dollar amount you wish to purchase (\$105, \$210, \$420, \$525, \$630, \$840 or \$1050),
fill in denominations desired and record check #

	Amount ordered	\$10	\$25	\$50	\$100	Check #
Hy-Vee	Total due \$105 (You will get \$105 in Hy-Vee cards + \$5 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$210 (You will get \$210 in Hy-Vee cards + \$10 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$420 (You will get \$420 in Hy-Vee cards + \$20 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$525 (You will get \$525 in Hy-Vee cards + \$25 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$630 (You will get \$630 in Hy-Vee cards + \$30 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$840 (You will get \$840 in Hy-Vee cards + \$40 into student account)					
Hy-Vee	Total due \$1050 (You will get \$1050 in Hy-Vee cards + \$50 into student account)					