

Dripping Springs Tiger Band

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Announcements 12/1/09

Upcoming Events:

Region Band Tryouts: December 3rd & 5th/Westlake High School-Separate Schedule

Individual Band Pictures: December 7th/Band Hall/During school hours

Holiday Concert: December 10th/HS Cafeteria/7pm-Schedule below

Benchmarks Due: December 14th

Area Band Auditions: January 9th

Region Band Sectionals: January 12th

Region Band Clinic & Concert: January 15th & 16th

Band Concert—Students will be wearing the concert uniform for the Holiday concert. They will need their black band shoes and long black socks. Students that do not have either the proper shoes or socks will not be allowed to perform and will receive a zero for a major test grade.

5:45pm	Uniform room open-get fully dressed in concert uniform
6:30pm	Warm-up (Symphonic Band-Band Hall/Concert Band Stage)
7:00pm	Concert Band
7:30pm	Symphonic Band
8:15pm	Change and put up uniforms and clear stage

Student Solos—All students are required to perform a solo at the UIL contest on February 6th. Most wind solos require a piano accompaniment. Students will be able to use a school pianist for \$30.00. This fee will include 2 rehearsals and the performance at Hays HS. The fee will be paid **AFTER** the student has been assigned a pianist. If students wish to use their own pianist they must provide the name of the pianist to the band office by December 1st. Students should also spend some time over the holiday break working on their solo. Students will begin practicing with the pianist the week of January 11th. More detailed information will be given to students after the break.

Sectionals—Sectionals will begin the week of January 11th. Students will be given a sectional schedule before we leave for the winter break. Most sectionals will be in the morning before 1st period band class.

Individual Band Pictures—All band and color guard students will be taking individual band pictures on December 5th during the school day. Students will use their formal band uniform. All leaders, including band council, will have their pictures taken before school. 7:15am Drum Majors, 7:30 WW Section leaders, 8:00am Brass and Perc. Section leaders, 8:30am Band Council. Everyone else will take pictures during band class or at lunch.

School Owned Marching Instruments—All marching bari saxes, tubas, baritones, and horns must be turned in this week. Students will be told if the instrument has damage and needs repairs. The student and parent are responsible for all repairs other than normal wear and tear. Place these instruments upstairs in the band hall.

Benchmarks: Benchmarks start up again this week. Students must have all benchmarks completed by December 14th. This will give students more time to prepare for their Finals in other classes.

Band on Twitter—Sign up on the band website to follow the band on Twitter. Updates can be sent to your phone.