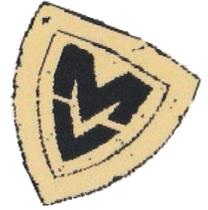




Musical Notes



Mt. Vernon Music Boosters

January 2016

- ♦ **Jan. 28:** Solo & Ensemble Chamber concert, 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Jan. 29:** Pizza orders due
- ♦ **Jan. 30:** ISSMA District Solo & Ensemble contest, Doe Creek Middle School
- ♦ **Feb. 1:** Mandatory parent scheduling meeting, 7 p.m., auditorium
- ♦ **Feb. 13:** ISSMA District Solo & Ensemble contest weather make-up date

Pizza fund-raiser under way

Students should have brought home an order form for pizzas last week. This fund-raiser will benefit individual band accounts and help with the 2017 New York City trip.

Orders and payment are due Friday, Jan. 29. On Friday, Feb. 5, band members who turned in orders will form an assembly line and make the pizzas at the school. Pizza orders will be delivered in time for Super Bowl Sunday.

Parent meeting coming up

Parents of 8th-grade and high-school students who will be continuing in band next year are required to attend a scheduling meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 1.

This meeting will discuss how to register for the correct courses next year, explain how all students can still take four years of band while completing requirements for any diploma type, and present basic information about the upcoming marching season.

Winter guard preparing for competitions

The MVHS winter guard team is heading into its first competition this weekend with a show sure to make a mark.

During their show, "Painting Outside the Lines," the 16 guard members portray paint brushes as they come to life and paint their mark on the floor. As guard director Thomas Thawley explains, everyone "is always told to stay inside the lines, stay normal. With this show, we are trying to stay outside the lines and outside of the normal creative processes."

The winter guard will present a preview of the show Friday at 8 p.m. in the auxiliary gymnasium. The show will include the cadet guard, a team consisting of 30 students in 4th through 7th grades that performs at basketball games.

On Saturday, the high-school guard will travel to Plainfield High School for its first contest of the season. The team will be competing in Scholastic A at 4:30 p.m.

The winter guard's second competition will be in Zionsville Feb. 13.

It will compete in the world color guard competition for the first time ever Feb. 20 and, if it qualifies for the finals, Feb. 21.



The winter guard practices its show in the school cafeteria.

Chamber concert to provide preview of solos and ensembles

Students participating in the ISSMA Solo & Ensemble contest later this month will have a chance to perform their pieces in front of an audience before they have to perform in front of a judge.

A chamber concert is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 28—two days before the contest. The concert will feature all soloists and ensembles

The handful of students who took the option not to compete won't be performing in the chamber concert. Instead, in the week leading up to the contest they will perform before Mr. Ellinger and the band for a grade.

from the high school and 8th grade bands that are scheduled to compete Jan. 30 at the district competition at

Doe Creek Middle School in New Pal. (If the weather turns very ugly, the contest date will be rescheduled for Saturday, Feb. 13.)

Students who receive gold ratings for a Group I performance at the district contest will be eligible to compete at the state level competition Feb. 27 at North Central High School in Indianapolis.