**Land of Band and Color Guard**

**Happy New Year and Welcome Back!**

Welcome back after a well-deserved Winter Break! I hope that you were all able to spend some time with friends and family during this Holiday Season.

We hit the ground running this week with our annual day at Disneyland. We will have a rehearsal on Monday and Tuesday morning during 0 period to prepare for our Disneyland Performance on Wednesday. We will then continue to transition to our Concert Band season on Thursday and Friday morning. Please scroll down for more details!

**Disneyland rehearsals and school attendance are MANDATORY!**

Attendance at 0 period rehearsal and during the school day is MANDATORY! We will be reconfiguring the parade block to accommodate strict Disneyland Performance Guidelines and rehearsing for the performance. Winds and percussion will be on the Track during 0 period on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Color Guard will join the parade band on Tuesday and Wednesday only.

If a student does not attend 0 period rehearsals or miss school on Monday or Tuesday, they will not be able to attend the Disneyland day.

I cannot justify pulling a student out of school all day on Wednesday when they have missed an entire day previously and I will not have a student perform who is not prepared to perform. Thank you for understanding.

The Disneyland trip is NOT MANDATORY! If you choose to not attend, that is fine. Just let us know!

**Upcoming Events (not including weekly rehearsals)**

January 8 - Booster Meeting
January 9 – Disneyland
January 14-18 – Concert Band Auditions
February 12 - Booster Meeting

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**Disneyland**
**January 9th, 2019**
**Wednesday**

**Disneyland**

We will make our annual appearance at Disneyland as part of the Community Arts Showcase Program. We have been very fortunate to be selected to participate in this program for many years. This event officially wraps up our Marching Season!

**Here are some details:**

We are wearing **“Show Shirts”** to Disneyland.
*Not Band Polos.*

Pack your “UnderGear” and all performance needs/attire in a small labled bag. This will be loaded onto the trailer after 0 period rehearsal. You will not have access to this bag until we meet backstage at D-land for our performance. **Do Not** pack anything in this bag that you will need in the park, such as your wallet/money, etc.

**At EDHS**

0 period: Disneyland Parade Block Rehearsal

After Rehearsal: Load ALL instruments, uniforms, and bags into Hawk 1.

We will depart EDHS at 8:15a.

**At Disneyland**

Once you receive your ticket, you have the morning off until we meet at the entrance of Toontown.

We will meet at “Big Thunder Trail” at **1:45p.**

Performance time is **3:22p –**starting at Small World, ending at Town Square

Afterwards, you will have the rest of the evening in the park. Please report back to the buses at **9:30p. DO NOT BE LATE!!!**

Approximate pick-up time at EDHS: 10:15p. Yes, we have 0 period on Thursday.
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**Concert Band Auditions**
**January 14-18**

After spending Thursday and Friday preparing for auditions, Concert Band Auditions will take place next week. We will have sign-up sheets available this Thursday and Friday.

Audition Material was passed out on the Friday before Winter Break. If you did not pick up, please do so ASAP.

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**Here’s What’s Up for This Week**

**Monday**
0 period
All Band on Track
Winter Guard – Gym

**Tuesday**
0 period
Parade Band and Color Guard on Track

**Wednesday**
0 period
Parade Band and Color Guard on Track
Disneyland

**Thursday**
0 period
All Band – Band Room
Winter Guard – Gym

**Friday**
0 period
All Band – Band Room
Winter Guard – Gym

**PERCUSSION HAS ZERO PERIOD TOMORROW,
MONDAY, JANUARY 7TH**

**BOOSTER MEETING ON TUESDAY!**

Join us for the first Booster meeting of 2019 this Tuesday, January 8th at 7:30pm to hear all about what's in store for concert band and the Spring programs!

Please review the [Treasurer's Report](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=e043e9d3dd&e=7dc0227750) - it will be discussed and approved at the meeting.

The November Booster Meeting minutes can be found [here](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=c6d9715773&e=7dc0227750).

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

**NOSTALGIA ITEMS ARE READY!!**

Hello EDHS Band Boosters, Parents, Supporters and Alumni!

Your piece of EDHS Band history has arrived! I received the orders from Marching Bag Designs today. Finally! The company moved in late fall and set up a new operation in Monterey Park. Our design is now set for the three specific items (pillow, messenger bag and shoulder bag). I will have all YOUR item(s) at the 730 pm Booster Meeting on Tuesday, January 8. If you no longer attend the Booster Club meetings, please email a day and time you can pick up from my home or another arrangement that works for you.

**Thank you for your patience and your support of the EDHS Band.**

We will be placing another order by the mid-March for delivery prior to graduation. I will have order forms at the meeting or you can share our [eldoradoband.com](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=5c33f22881&e=7dc0227750) website with others who may interested.

**HAWAII, DRUMLINE AND FINANCE UPDATE**

**Hawaii:**
Per the schedule, the next Hawaii payment **is due on Monday, January 7th**.  I realize this is the first day back to school.  Please be sure to have the payment in by the end of the week.  At this point, **every account should be at $1,800 paid** with the remaining $400 due on February 6th.  If for any reason you can no longer attend the trip, please let us know as soon as possible.  At this point, airline reservations have already been held and the cancellation withholding is at $400 + an airline penalty.  After Feb. 5th.  there is no refund at all.

**Drumline:**
Drumline has been going strong during the winter break with two recent full- day practices.  The staff and students are working hard.  A special thank you to Mrs. Ayala for making a pasta dinner for the drumline students and staff last Friday night during their 12 hour rehearsal day.  Thank you as well to all the parents who provided additional items (fruit, veggies, desserts, drinks...) and who helped serve.  It was enjoyed by all!!

**Remember - uniform payments are due now.  $220 is due ASAP.** Uniforms are already being made. Students will need to submit payment before we can receive them.  Also, please remember fairshare is due as well.  $250 for visual ensemble and $650 for battery and front ensemble.  Please have that paid by the end of January.

If you have not been receiving our emails, please email drumline@eldoradoband.com to provide a valid email address.  (Please note, some bounce-backs with "email full" have been received, so we cannot send emails to full email boxes.  We have also received invalid addresses.  We are trying to update those as we go.)  Also, you may join "Remind" by texting 81010 to @eldodrum.

**Finances:**
We are almost half way through the school year.  We still have approx. $30,000 of expenses that have not been covered.  If you still have not paid for uniform items, fairshare, etc... please be sure to bring those up-to-date.  Payment plans are welcome.  CHARMS is current, so you can check student accounts there, including Hawaii balances.  You may also email finance@eldoradoband.com with any account questions.

**Let's Go Hawks!**