**Land of Band**

**Concert Band Placements**

This past week, we listened to almost every musician in our program individually. There is a lot of evidence of good practicing and some evidence that practicing must continue!

Please keep in mind that all members and musical parts are important to the success of each ensemble! Please accept your role and prepare your music to the highest standard. These placements are subject to change at the discretion of the Director.  Attendance, effort, and attitude will play an important role in maintaining your chair.

If you are not happy with your placement, “**Challenges” will begin the second week of the second semester.  Info to be given at a later date.**

**Magic Show**

Thank you to all who attended the Magic Show Fundraiser! It was a fun show and well attended. I hope you enjoyed it!

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Upcoming Events
(this does not include weekly rehearsals)

WGASC Show, Chino HS              February 10 – JV Winter Guard
SCPA Show, Monrovia HS             February 17 – Indoor Percussion
Florentine’s Jazz Gig                  February 24 – Jazz Bands 1 & 2
Western States Jazz Festival       March 3 – All Jazz Bands
WGASC Show, Valencia HS          March 3 – Both Winter Guards
SCPA Show, Rancho Cucamonga  March 4 – Indoor Percussion
Jazz Festival (site TBD)               March 10 – Jazz Bands, TBD
WGI Regional, Chino Hills HS       March 10 – Winter Guard, Varsity
Irvine Jazz Festival                     March 17 – All Jazz Bands
Pre-Festival Concert, PAC           March 20 – Concert Bands
8th Grade Showcase, Raya Gym    March 21 – Varsity WG and Indoor Percussion
WGI – CSUSB                              March 24-25 – Indoor Percussion
WGI – University of San Diego      March 24-25 – Varsity Winter Guard
SCSBOA District Music Festival     March 27-28 – Concert Bands
District Winter Guard Show         March 29 – Both Winter Guards
WGASC Show, Rancho Cuc          March 31 – Both Winter Guards
SCPA Prelims                             April 7 – Indoor Percussion
WGASC, Valencia HS                   April 7 – JV Winter Guard
WGI World Champs, Ohio           April 10-15 – Varsity Winter Guard
SCPA Championships                  April 14 – Indoor Percussion
Australian Jazz Band Visit           April 19 – Jazz Bands
Angels 5K gig (tentative)            April 21 – Pep Band
WGASC Championships               April 21 – JV Winter Guard
WGASC Championships               April 22 – Varsity Winter Guard
Road to Reno Concert                April 23 – Jazz 1 and 2
Reno Jazz Festival                      April 26-29 – Jazz 1, 2, and Combos
Area Night Concert, VHS             April 30 – Concert Bands, Jazz Bands
Jazz Master Concert                   June 1 – Jazz Bands
Spring Concert                           June 5 – Concert Bands
Band Banquet                            June 8 – Everyone
Graduation                               June 13 – Jazz 2

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**Finals Week**

During our Finals Period (1st-4th), we will be rehearsing and playing for the majority of the class.

0 period Band will meet Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday
0 period Color Guard will meet Monday and Tuesday
1st and 6th, Tuesday
2nd and 3rd, Wednesday
4th and 5th, Thursday

For part of the Finals Period we will have our first ever…

**“Help-a-Hawk” Drive**
Did you know that we have the “Help-a-Hawk” program?
It’s basically a way for us to ask for donations to help fund our program.

**Here’s what we will be doing…**

We will provide you with a “Help-a-Hawk” brochure, a letter that will explain the purpose of the brochure, and an envelope.

You will add a greeting to the letter, sign the letter, stuff the envelope, and address the envelope.

**That’s it!**

**HERE’S WHAT I NEED FROM EACH MEMBER OF THE PROGRAM…**
*(Fundraiser buy-out members are exempt, but can participate if so inclined)*

8-10 addresses of people who you think would participate in this program. This can include, but not be limited to relatives, family or friends’ businesses, etc. This is a great opportunity to reach out to people who live across the United States! One of our goals is to get a donation from each of the 50 States!

These donations are tax-deductible and will help our program with the purchase of instruments and equipment, instrument repair, funding sub-programs within our organization, etc.
People who receive your letter can either send in the detachable form with their donation or simply log-on to our website and make a donation via PayPal.

In order for this to be successful, we need total team effort!

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**Winter Rehearsals This Week**

**Winter Guard and Percussion**
Please check your calendars that were passed out by your instructors.
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**Monday, January 29**
**Special Event!**
On Monday, January 29 there is a special event happening in our Performing Arts Center.
EDHS Alumnus **Alex Hahn** will be performing original music with the “All-Star Studio Orchestra and Voices” made up of string and vocal students from our district.
The show begins at 7p and General Admission is $10.
Please try to make it out to this great concert!
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**Here’s what’s up for this week…**
Monday
0 period – Wind Ensemble in Band Room
Symphonic Band in Theater
Color Guard with Staff
Tuesday
0 period – Wind Ensemble in Band Room
Symphonic Band in Theater
Color Guard with Staff
Wednesday
0 period –  Wind Ensemble in Band Room
Symphonic Band in Theater
No Color Guard – 0 period
Thursday
0 period –  No Zero Period
Friday
0 period –  Non Student Day
Winter Guard and Indoor Percussion Rehearsal

Thanks,
Samson

**A NOTE FROM OUR FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

Our school year is almost half over, but our band expenses have not all been paid yet.   In regard to just marching band, we are still $21,000 short in payments vs. expenses.  As a group, we must cover all our expenses and need the support of everyone involved.  If we cannot self-support our program, we may be forced to discontinue some aspects.

We do understand financial situations may be a concern and appreciate payment plans.  Every donation payment amount helps in some way.
Please remember you can access your student's account information via "**Charms**" online.  If you need more information on that or have any questions, please let us know or check out the instruction information on the website at:
[http://www.eldoradoband.com/parent-info](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=eb868f9860&e=7dc0227750)
Payments may be made with cash, check or charge.  Please make checks payable to El Dorado Band Boosters.  Place cash or check payments in the black box in the band room.  Credit card payments may be made via paypal online at:
[http://www.eldoradoband.com/paypal](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=d0247eb190&e=7dc0227750)

Thank you for your understanding and support.
Please let us know if you have any questions.

**WAYS AND MEANS REPORT**

**Ways & Means needs your help!**

We are looking for parents to help lead & coordinate the following fundraising activities:

\* SCSBOA District Music Festival 3/27/18~3/28/18
     (plan on selling a healthy snack, drinks etc.)
\* Gift Card Quartermania (tentative date in May) - See the [PDF](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=5e593574af&e=7dc0227750)
\* E-Waste Recycling (tentative date May-June)

Please contact Wendy Lee or Brenda Emrick at waysandmeans@eldoradoband.com

**UPCOMING EVENTS

Improv Show - A Fun Night for Grownups!**(Individual Student Account Fundraiser)
See the show dates & times through the signup genius account listed below. Please sign up & turn in the money to the black box - Mark your envelope with "Improv Show"  so that Wendy Lee can secure your tickets.
[http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f45a8a82babfe3-fundraising](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=c19dc67f38&e=7dc0227750)

**Scrip:**(Individual Student Account Fundraiser)
The El Dorado Band Boosters are pleased to offer a great fundraising program to help students **raise funds** **for their individual accounts**. Profits from this program will first be used for any unpaid Marching Season Fair Share Donations for Band and Color Guard. Funds can then be used for Winterguard, Winter Drumline, Jazz Band, or next year’s Marching Season Fair Share Donations. Seniors who have paid all of their Fair Share Donations can use their profits for end of year extras, such as Banquet Tickets, Yearbooks and DVDs.

ABOUT UNITED SCRIP
UnitedScrip is a program that allows band supporters to purchase gift cards from hundreds of retailers and restaurants including Amazon, Best Buy, iTunes, Arco, Albertsons, Macy’s, Wendy’s, Subway and more. Supporters get to spend 100% of the amount they paid for the gift card. The retailer pays the band a percentage of each gift card sold. The percentage varies from retailer to retailer, but ranges from 1% to 50%. Family and friends can help out by either ordering gift cards directly from you (they pay you, then you write one check for entire order), or they may set up accounts online, being sure to **specify that they are a supporter of your student**, and pay with their credit card.

**Scrip order deadline**will continue in February on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

**For details about how to place an order, click**[here](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=5171f44003&e=7dc0227750)**.**
Scroll down to the Scrip section and look for "How to Purchase".

This is a great way to earn funds for your student's account - remind your friends and family that in addition to buying gift cards as gifts for birthdays and holidays, the gift cards can also be used for their everyday purchases at grocery stores, gas stations, Target, etc. And restaurant gift cards can be very nice to have handy for those nights that no one wants to cook.
Happy Ordering!

**Help A Hawk:**(Individual Student Account or General Fund Fundraiser)
Great **Tax Deductible** means to support the El Dorado Band Boosters, a non-profit 501(c)(3) booster parent organization. If you or know of any individual, business & or corporation  looking to support a worthwhile, meaningful organization and at the same time benefit from a tax deduction, please send this "[Help A Hawk El Dorado Band Brochure](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=0babba1032&e=7dc0227750)"

**AmazonSmile: (General Fund Fundraiser)**
Need to shop for gifts, decorations, or household items? Don't forget to select our booster organization as the recipient for a financial donation. Use the Amazon Smile holiday at [smile.amazon.com/ch/33-0858888](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=3179227427&e=7dc0227750) and Amazon donates to El Dorado High School Band Boosters Inc.