**Land of Band**  
   
**Google Classroom and Remind 101**  
   
All members of Concert Bands should now be subscribed and linked to the Wind Ensemble or Symphonic Band Google Classroom and Remind 101. If you are not subscribed to them, do so now! Scroll down for the codes.  
   
We will continue to develop ways to use Google Classroom to benefit the program. Your first assignment, as mentioned in class, is already posted!  
   
**JV Winter Guard**  
   
Best wishes to our JV Winter Guard as they have their first performance at the WGASC Classification Show at Don Lugo HS in Chino. This is an evaluation performance that will determine the division and level that our JV team will compete in.  
   
We look forward to another great season!  
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**Google Classroom Assignment #1**  
   
“Practice Schedule” – please log in to your Google Classroom (WE or SB) and fill out the “Practice Schedule” Google Form.  
   
**This is due by the end of the school day on Wednesday, February 7**.  
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**Practice Tips**  
   
Every week, I will be adding practice tips to this list. Please check it out and apply them to your practice routine.  
   
1. Make time to practice.

* Practicing should be part of your daily homework routine.

2. Create a good Practice Environment!

* Create a good practice environment that will allow you to be productive. Use a music stand, sit in a good chair, have a tuner and metronome, and focus! Try to find a place that will be private, has good lighting, and free from distractions.
* You can come into the band room and practice during lunch.
* If you are using your phone as a tuner or metronome, put it on Airplane mode to avoid interruptions and to discourage you from using it for other things.

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| **Group** | **Google Classroom Code** | **Remind 101** **(text code to 81010)** |
| Wind Ensemble | 364e58 | @eldowe |
| Symphonic Band | z3ww4xg | @eldosb |

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**Upcoming Events**  
(this does not include weekly rehearsals)

**WGASC Show, Don Lugo 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  
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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**Winter Rehearsals This Week**  
  
**Winter Guard and Percussion**  
  
Please check your calendars that were passed out by your instructors.  
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**Here’s what’s up for this week…**  
Monday  
0 period – All Band in Band Room  
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 Theater  
Symphonic Band in Band Room  
Color Guard with Staff  
Thursday  
0 period – Wind Ensemble in Band Room  
Symphonic Band in Theater  
Color Guard with Staff  
Friday  
0 period – Wind Ensemble in Band Room  
Symphonic Band in Theater  
Color Guard with Staff  
  
  
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=24b44b8db0&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=02d74999b4&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 (tent date in May) - *Read all about Quartermania below*.  
           [Quartermania Gift Card](https://eldoradoband.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2cf9ba99e9fb137bf4b114ee&id=e44b853176&e=7dc0227750" \t "_blank)  
\* E-Waste Recycling (tentative date May-June)

Please contact Wendy Lee or Brenda Emrick at [waysandmeans@eldoradoband.com](mailto: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=0613268f7b&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=72d13665f2&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=ceaf37f629&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=b47094118d&e=7dc0227750) and Amazon donates to El Dorado High School Band Boosters Inc.