

# ***Millennium High School Bands***

Hello Tiger Band Members,

We did another marathon day and did very well. For Arizona State University Band Day we scored a 69.45 which is a very good score with out of state judges. With the score sheets being different and putting more emphasis on individuals we knew scores would be lower. But it was a great opportunity and we saw the numbers of the groups we are chasing. We then went to Agua Fria and scored 83 ish. That was our highest first score for an ABODA festival ever. In fact it is only 4 points away from the state qualifying numbers last year. Also, it was 4 points of the highest score in the state until last night. Now it is 88.1. You can guarantee that it will be higher this weekend and at state. So we had a good start, but now we need to see what we can do to up that number. Something that comes to mind immediately is to make sure that everyone is playing or performing 100% of the time. When I was standing on the sidelines at Agua Fria I noticed that less than 60% of the band members were playing 100% of the time. **THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE AND NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED TO TAKE THE BAND TO THE NEXT LEVEL.** This weekend we will see some of the best bands in the state and we everyone to be at 100% to feel good about ourselves and our group. This is a great group and spot for us; now let's show the state that we belong here.

Here is the rundown of the events for the week.

- Practice – We will have normal practice on **Tuesday and Thursday** this week; both will be at the normal time of 6:00-9:00 P.M. and on the game field. Please make sure that you arrive in time to get out to the field by practice time. Students need to have dot books with them at all rehearsals.
- Concessions – Wednesday 10/27 and Friday 10/29 – A special thanks to Angela and all the parents that are helping in the concession stand. This is a Major Fundraiser and with senior night we have a lot of parents that would be working in the concession stand out watching their senior students. It is time to have more of the younger parents step up to help. PLEASE HELP US HELP YOUR CHILDREN. We have a freshman and Varsity Football game this week. We need 10-12 Volunteers to help work the concession stand this night. We really need help with this event. With senior night it will be very busy! The report time would need to be between 6-6:15 P.M. and will end around 8:30 -9:30 P.M. Please email or call Angela Anderson By Tuesday afternoon at [concessions@millenniumhighschoolband.org](mailto:concessions@millenniumhighschoolband.org) or 602-670-2818 to let her know you can help.
- DVD Sales
  - DVD Sales have been extended and will include Washington and the State competition. Please go our web page to find out more about it.
  - We will be adding gift cards this week to help push the sales.
- Friday Hair-Braiding – A special thank you to Tara and all the parents that have been helping her. We need people to help braid hair for Friday. Please contact Tara Takinen at 623-694-7459 or at [takinen@aol.com](mailto:takinen@aol.com).
- Butter Braids
  - Butter Braids will start this week. They are a great seller and I would like to try and break the record of over \$8000.00 sold. It is a great possibility if everyone helps!!!
- Chili's
  - Band Night out is Monday at Chili's 3:00-10:00PM. Please help the band we receive 10% of the proceeds. We need to have a flier which Stephanie Wolf sent out earlier this week.
- Game Information – Friday 10/22/2010
  - We will perform Half time during the game. It is Senior Night. I will send a flier with the senior students on Tuesday for the senior parents talking about what we will do for the

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night. As I alluded to earlier in this letter, this is a special night as these parents and students have worked hard for their 4 years in our program. This is their night and we need to honor and show them how much they mean to us. Please younger parents step up and make it so they can enjoy they son/daughter's last home game by helping out!!!

- Game vs. Lajoya
  - Please have food for the students prior to leaving the game. If you are not able to bring food students can walk across the street to Sugar and Spice prior to the report time to eat.
  - 3:30-4:30 PM                      Hair Braiding (Leave hair braids in for tomorrow)
  - 4:45 – 5:30 PM                  Report time and Sectionals
  - 5:30- 6:15 PM                  Rehearse with middle schools
  - 6:15-6:30 PM                  March out
  - 6:30 PM                          Watch LaJoya and senior presentations
  - 6:45 PM                          National Anthem (Possible watch Ironwood)
  - 7:00 PM                          Game Starts
  - 9:15 PM                          Game Ends
  - 9:15-9:45 PM                  Change out of Uniform
  - 10:00 PM                        Group Dismiss
  - We will not dismiss anyone prior to group dismissal so please understand and do not ask. Please also no one except band members in the band room after the game until 5 minutes after we dismiss as our room is very crowded.
- Reiner Marching Classic 10/30/2010  
Mesquite High School  
500 S. McQueen Rd.  
Gilbert, AZ 85233  
[www.mesquitehighband.com](http://www.mesquitehighband.com)
    - There is a cost for this event. Tickets: Usually \$5-\$10.00. ALL PARENTS AND FAMILIEIES are encouraged to attend. We love having a big crowd there for the students to play for.
    - We also need bus chaperones for this event – please email Mr. Malik if you would like to help out.
      - Dinner – **WE WILL ORDER LITTLE CEASERS PIZZA FOR DINNER. ALL ORDERS NEED TO BE TURNED BY TUESDAY 6:00 PM. The cost is \$4.00 for THREE PIECES OF PIZZA AND WATER. (No, we will not order any less slices than this. It is much easier for us to keep track of it) IT WILL ONLY BE CHEESE OR PEPPORONI. PLEASE MARK WHICH TYPE ON YOUR ORDER FORM. WE WILL ORDER YOU PEPPORONI IF YOU DO NOT MARK ANYTHING DONE. I am unable to order late so please understand this and be prepared ahead of time. If your student is bringing their own I need a note by Tuesday 6:00 PM as well. I will need a 3-4 parents to please take care of getting the pizza and waters and setting it up. It will need to be set up to give out by 2:40 PM please let me know if you can do this.**
      - 1:30 PM Report time
      - 1:30 - 3:00 PM Rehearse at Millennium High School
      - 3:00 - 4:00 PM Load Trailer and change into uniforms

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- 4:00- 5:15 PM Load Busses and Eat dinner on busses (Little Ceasars)
- 5:15 - 6:00 PM Unload Trailer
- 6:00 - 6:15 PM Move to warm-up
- 6:15 – 6:35 PM Visual Warm –up and Stretch
- 6:35 - 7:00 PM Music Warm – up
- 7:00 - 7:15 PM Move to Stadium
- 7:15 PM Performance
- 7:15-8:45 PM Load Trailer and watch groups perform – Bring Snacks or grab concession food. We will stay in uniform except for shakos so bring hat boxes
- 9:00 PM Awards
- 9:25 PM Leave for Millennium High School
- 10:25 P.M. Arrive MHS
- 10:25-11:00 P.M. Unload Trailer and change out of uniform
- 11:00 P.M. Group Dismissal

I know this is a lot of information, but we have a very packed week ahead of us. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Musically,

Malik