Hello Tiger Band Members,

Our Friday performance and our Saturday Practice was great! The kids really pushed hard and we accomplished a lot. I was very proud of the effort that everyone put in. Thank you students for everything you did. We have another very packed week. **Did you know that we had more people read and respond to the email this week, we had 88 people responded to my letter of events last week… That was an improvement!!!! As we tell the students get better each time.**  I am trying to make sure that information is out in a timely manner and that it is getting to you. Also, I am starting to put the weekly letters on the web page in the spot <http://www.millenniumhighschoolband.org/Doc_downloads.htm>. Here is the rundown of the events for the week.

* District Invitational

Agua Fria High School

1. Riley Road

Avondale, Arizona

* There is a cost for this event. It is usually around $5.00 per person. **All Parents and Families** are encouraged to attend. We love having a big crowd there for the students to play for. This is an evaluation performance only.
* Please get your homework for Tuesday Night on Monday night.
* We also need bus chaperones for this event – please email Mr. Malik if you would like to help out.
  + - 4:00 Pack Trailer and change into uniforms
    - 5:00 Leave MHS
    - 5:20 P.M. Arrive Agua Fria
    - 5:20-5:40 P.M. Unload Trailer
    - 5:40-6:00 P.M. Get food from concession stands
    - 6:00-7:10 P.M. Watch Desert Edge and Verrado Perform
    - 7:30 P.M. Millennium Performs
    - 7:40 -8:00 P.M. Millennium Clinic (Parents if you would like to join us on the field to hear the critique and comments of the judges, please be on the outside of the band and listen only. Please do not converse with the judges, but learn about the ranking/rating).
    - 8:00-8:15 P.M. Watch Agua Fria
    - 8:15-8:45 P.M. Load Trailer
    - 8:45 P.M. Leave Agua Fria
    - 9:05 P.M. Arrive MHS
    - 9:05-9:30 P.M. Unload Trailer and Change
    - 9:30 P.M. Group Dismissal
* Practice – We will have practice on **Thursday** this week; will be at 6:00-9:00 P.M. and on the baseball field. Doors to get equipment out will be at locked 10 minutes prior to practice. Please make sure that you arrive in time to get out to the field by practice time. We will reopen it for sports people and late arrivals after the practice starts for them to get their equipment.
* Concessions - Thursday 9/30/2010 – A special thanks to Angela and all the parents that are helping in the concession stand. We have a Junior Varsity Football game this week. We need 10-12 Volunteers to help work the concession stand this night. 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 at [concessions@millenniumhighschoolband.org](mailto:concessions@millenniumhighschoolband.org) or 602-670-2818 to let her know you can help.
* DVD Sales
  + DVD Sales should be going on. We need to try and sell a minimum of 5 per person. The DVD will include the first half of the season to Washington DC. For more information please check our web site for ordering information. We will get around $11000.00 profit if we sell 5 per person. We are ending DVD Sales on 9/30/2010.
* Little Ceaser’s fundraiser
  + Little Ceaser’s pizza sale fundraises are due on Thursday 9/30/2010. Please make one final push as we are trying to make sure that all costs are met for the year.
* 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).
* Game Information
  + Cesar Chavez High School

**3921 West Baseline Road  
Laveen, Arizona 85339**

* We also need bus chaperones for this event – please email Mr. Malik if you would like to help out.
  + We will perform pregame during the game.
    - 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.
    - 2:30-4:00 P.M. Hair Braiding
    - 4:00 – 4:45 P.M. Report time and change into uniforms
    - 4:45 P.M. Bus Leaves (Eat Subs On Bus:
    - 5:30 P.M. Arrive Cesar Chavez
    - 5:30-6:00 P.M. Unload Trailer
    - 6:00-6:30 P.M. Sectionals
    - 6:30-6:45 P.M. March out
    - 6:45 P.M. National Anthem
    - 7:00 P.M. Game Starts
    - 9:15 P.M. Game Ends
    - 9:15-9:45 P.M. Load Trailer
    - 9:45 P.M. Leave for MHS
    - 10:20 P.M. Arrive MHS
    - 10:20-11:00P.M. Unload Trailer
    - 11:00 P.M. 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.
* Gilbert High School

1101 E. Elliot Road

Gilbert, Arizona

[www.tigerpride.org](http://www.tigerpride.org) for more information

* + There is a cost for this event. It is usually around $5.00 per person. ALL PARENTS AND FAMILEIES are encouraged to attend. We love having a big crowd there for the students to play for. This is our first true competition this year.
  + We also need bus chaperones for this event – please email Mr. Malik if you would like to help out.
  + Dinner – **WE WILL ORDER SUB SANDWICHES FROM ALBERTSONS FOR THE TRIP. ORDERS AND MONEY WILL NEED TO BE TURNED IN BY WEDNESDAY 9:00 A.M. The cost is $5.00 for a sandwich, chips, and cookie. 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 Wednesday 9:00 A.M. as well. If not we will order one for each student and you will be charged $5.00**
    - 2:30 Report
    - 2:30-3:45 P.M. Rehearse
    - 3:45-4:30 P.M. Load Trailer and Change into uniforms
    - 4:30 P.M. Leave MHS
    - 5:15 P.M. Arrive Gilbert High School
    - 5:15-5:45 P.M. Unload Trailer
    - 5:45-6:30 P.M. Eat Dinner (Albertsons sandwiches)
    - 6:30-6:45 P.M. Move to Warm – Up
    - 6:45-7:20 P.M. Visual Warm –up
    - 7:20-7:45 P.M. Music Warm – up
    - 7:45-8:00 P.M. Move to Stadium
    - 8:00 P.M. Performance
    - 8:15-9:30 Load Trailer and watch groups perform
    - 9:45 P.M. Awards
    - 10:15 P.M. Leave Gilbert
    - 11:05 P.M. Arrive MHS
    - 11:05-11:30 P.M. Unload Trailer and change out of uniform
    - 11:30 P.M. Group Dismissal
* Band Shoes
  + We still have people who have not turned in their shoe money. This was due two weeks and is due immediately!
* Washington DC
  + It is coming up quick. We are still looking for sponsors and company contacts. Please contact Robin Henderson at [vpfundraising@millenniumhighschoolband.org](mailto:vpfundraising@millenniumhighschoolband.org) or at 623-466-4388 to see who we have contacted or with any new information.
  + On Monday 9/27/2010 at 6:30 P.M. We will have a parent chaperone meeting at the Band Room. All parents attending as chaperones traveling with the band need to be at this meeting. **Parents that are just meeting us in DC DO NOT NEED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE, However if you would like to attend you are still welcome.**
  + **Finances – As of this time we have meet the basic cost for the trip!!!!** Great job. It is even more amazing considering the financial issues of the world. Out of the 15 bands that were accepted only 5 were able to make the costs. Please keep payments coming for all students and also work on more sponsorship for the trip. **BASIC ITEMS DO NOT** include Dry Cleaning, More apparel, transportation, etc….**things** **that we still needing to do and will need to get covered,** BUT the good news is we are going!!!!!!!! We will put a full list of the items that need to be covered at a later date.
  + **Full band student and parent trip meeting will be on Monday October 4, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. in the MHS Auditorium. It is required that the student and one parent/legal guardian attend this meeting.**
  + ID – All students need to have a state issued ID, passport, or military ID for the trip. The easiest ID is the Arizona Identification card from the DMV. Please make sure that you have this ID. Go to [www.azdot.gov/mvd](http://www.azdot.gov/mvd) to find out more information. I will be requesting a copy of your Gov. issued ID, passport, military ID be turned in during the October 4, 2010 meeting. We will lock ID information in the safe and will shred after we take the information on the trip.
  + On Monday 9/27/2010, I will be putting a FAQ list on the website. Hopefully, this will answer more of your questions prior to the parent meeting. I will send the exact email address, but if you go to [www.millenniumhighschoolband.org](http://www.millenniumhighschoolband.org), you will find it.
  + If you took the time to read this email, please respond with the date that the ID is due to be viewed or turned in.
  + We are 13 Days from leaving for Washington DC.

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