



Band Booster News

Working Together, Achieving More

December 2005



Marching Band Places 11th at the 4A State Marching Band Competition in San Antonio

Top 5% in the state, 11th out of 227 bands!

Congratulations to all of the band students and directors that have worked so hard and have achieved so much this year.

WE SALUTE YOU!



WHS Associate Band Director

Christopher McCardle

Christopher McCardle is in his first year with Waxahachie High School Band. A native of Louisiana, Mr. McCardle earned his Bachelor's degree in Music Performance and is currently completing a Master's degree in Music Education from Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, LA. He has spent several years marching drum and bugle corps' throughout the mid-west, the most recent being the Madison Scouts from Madison, WI. Mr. McCardle is an active clinician and adjudicator and has worked with several high school and college music programs throughout the south and mid-west states. At WHS he serves as the Associate Director of Bands and his duties include co-directing the "Spirit of Waxahachie" Indian Marching Band, conducting the Symphonic Band, and coordinating the development of WISD Percussion Program.



A Note From Our Booster President

What an exciting fall it has been! Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to make marching season a tremendous success.

We are looking forward to a very busy concert season, beginning with the holiday concerts. Show the bands how much you appreciate their hard work this fall, by planning to be in attendance at all of our holiday concerts. Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

- December 5** **WJHS Concert**
- December 8** **WHS Concert**
- December 15** **TMS Concert**

Refreshments will be served at all of our concerts. We will be asking the parents from the various bands to help provide refreshments. Refreshments can be purchased or homemade. If you are able to provide refreshments for your child's concert, please let your band director know.

We want parents to be able to be in the auditorium enjoying their students' performances, instead of in the foyer preparing to serve refreshments. If you are available to serve refreshments at one of our sister band's concerts, please let one of the boosters know.

We hope to see everyone at the next Booster meeting, December 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the band hall. The meetings are kept to an hour and are filled with lots of information for parents of students in all bands. Each meeting includes door prizes and refreshments. Come fellowship with us. We always welcome new faces!

-Chris Buse, WBB President

JAZZ CAFE

Waxahachie High School Jazz Band

Featuring

Keith Davis on Saxophone &

James Davis, former jazz trumpeter with the Glen Miller Orchestra

Dining and Dancing

Continental Cuisine

Waxahachie Civic Center

February 25, 2006

7:00 P.M.



Ticket information available soon!



Turner Middle School Band

The Turner Middle School Band is enthusiastically preparing for a busy schedule of performances during the Holiday Season. Activities started Monday night, November 28, when Mr. Owens and eight TMS students spent the evening making music stand repairs and adjustments for all band concerts being held in the Fine Arts Center. Helpers were: **Mariah Rios, Larkin Alexander, Justin Alaniz, Sarah Gilbert, T.J. Shipp, Booker Anderson, Elizabeth Feeser, and Katelyn Waters.** All students were very appreciative of the evening meal provided by **Mrs. Shipp.** In addition, the Turner Band will perform concerts at Dunaway and Wedgeworth on Thursday, December 8, and at Shackelford and Northside on Friday, December 9. They will be having their first **after-school rehearsals** on Tuesday and Wednesday, **December 12 & 13, from 3:45 to 5:15 P.M.** Their first formal concert will be Thursday evening, **December 15, 7:00 P.M.** in the Fine Arts Center auditorium. Mrs. Owens and a team of band parents have volunteered to decorate the stage for the evening's performance. Selection of music will be: "Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer," "African Noel," "Jingle Bells" and "Christmas In The Kitchen," which will feature seven Turner faculty members on pots, pans, and tuned water glasses. The TMS faculty is not your ordinary kitchen hackers; these folks have a music conservatory background. One would never believe that so much music could come out of the kitchen. You will not want to miss this one! Individual sections of the band will also be featured. The program will conclude with "Up On The Housetop." Immediately after the concert, refreshments will be provided in the auditorium lobby. On Friday, December 16, the faculty and band will perform a concert for the TMS student body. Performance time TBA.

-Donnie & Margie Owens

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Waxahachie High School Band

The WHS band staff wants to thank all of the students, parents, family members, and community for a great marching season. WOW! What a ride it has been. There is no way that we would have achieved our success without everyone's contribution.

Our students deserve the most accolades. Their dedication, desire, and determination have elevated this program into the upper echelon of great bands in the state. The staff is extremely excited about the great musical opportunities that lie ahead. We have an incredible concert program, a superb jazz program, a dynamic percussion studio. We are currently in the planning stages of developing a chamber ensemble program second to none. The staff is committed to providing our students with the best musical experiences possible. We thank you for your encouragement and support as we continue to build a world class organization.

One thing that can greatly affect the quality of our music program is an increased level of student participation in our Private Enrichment program. All of our students that participate in private lessons are very skilled on their instruments and tend to be the best players in the band. Please consider offering your students the opportunity to study one on one with our private lesson staff.

Do not miss the **Winter Holiday** concert on **Thursday, December 8th, at 7 PM.** We have planned a concert rich in tradition with a few twists and surprises. We will feature our concert bands, percussion ensemble, flute choir, jazz band, and a few soloists. You do not want to miss this night of entertainment.

-Rich Armstrong, Director of Bands



Jazz Band

The final rankings from the All State Jazz Audition are in and we have three students that fared well. Will Davis, Caleb Gilbreath, and Michael Prohaska were all ranked near the top on their instruments. Will Davis was the 5th best jazz trombone player in Texas. We are extremely proud of these students and their great talents.

The Waxahachie Jazz Orchestra played to a standing room only crowd at the Annual Festival of Trees on November 12 at the Wyatt Mansion in Waxahachie. The jazz combo started the event with a light jazz set that included many Christmas favorites. The big band ended the performance with some great dance band music and an awesome arrangement of the Latin favorite, "One More Time, Chuck Corea".

The fall concert was a great success on November 29. The Jazz Orchestra featured the saxophone sensation Keith Davis on a set of music that included the Count Basie great "Four, Five, Six" and the Duke Ellington hit "C Jam Blues". Keith was awesome on the alto saxophone and clarinet. We are so fortunate to have Keith on our private lesson staff here in Waxahachie.

- Rich Armstrong, Director of Bands



Waxahachie Junior High Bands

The Junior High had a great showing at All Region tryouts in Midlothian in November. The results are posted in the All Region Section of the newsletter. Both the 7th and 8th Grade Bands have been preparing for their **Holiday Concert** on **December 5th at 7:00 P.M.** at the WHS Fine Arts Center. Please come out and support our students as they entertain us with Holiday tunes.

Thank You!

Refreshments

A special thank you to **Belinda Ashley & Robert Ashley** for providing the refreshments at the November booster meeting.

Door Prizes

Thanks goes to **Citizen's National Bank** for donating WOW tote bags for the booster door prizes.

Chaperones



For all of the chaperones that assisted with the State Marching Contest and the away football games for Timberview and Hewitt-Midway we say a BIG thank you!

Concessions

Thanks to everyone that helped with concessions for the Nov. 19th playoff games.

State Signs & Spirit Plates

Thank you to everyone that helped paint "state signs" for the band as well as everyone that helped make the "spirit plates". A special thank you goes to **Phyllis Collier** and **Estelle Hernandez** for coordinating this effort.

Band Hall Decorations

Thanks to everyone that decorated the band hall and percussion room as well as everyone that donated drinks and candy for the Halloween goodie bags.

Breakfast Food Donors

The boosters would like to give a very special thank you to **Whataburger, Wal-Mart, and Donuts Plus** for providing breakfast for the band students for the State Marching Contest Trip.



State Marching Contest

Thank you to everyone that supported the Marching Band in their journey to state. A very special thank you to **Chris Buse** and **Rich Armstrong** for handling the many, many details involved in the trip in such a short period of time. Thank you to the many chaperones and all of those volunteers that helped serve lunch in San Antonio!



State marching T-Shirts

A special thank you to **Gary Wyatt** for handling the design, creation, sales, and distribution of the state marching t-shirts. WOW! You did a tremendous job in a very short period of time. The boosters would also like to thank **Music-T's** for providing the T-shirts at a nominal fee to the Waxahachie Band!

Congratulations!



Congratulations to our students that earned chair placements in All Region.

HS All Region Orchestra

Caleb Gilbreath—2nd chair percussion

Dylan Dacy— 4th chair French Horn

JHS All Region Band

Tiffany Neal—Flute, 1st chair Symphonic

Chelsea Kimberlin—Clarinet, 6th chair Symphonic

Zachary Hatchel—Trumpet, 6th chair Symphonic

Trey Speer—Trumpet, 3rd chair Concert

Jeremy Quintana (7th grade)-Trumpet, Alternate Concert

Raven Barrett—Horn, 4th chair Symphonic

Chelsea Huff—Horn, 3rd chair Concert

David Hale (7th grade) - Trombone, 5th chair Symphonic

A.J. Berning—Trombone, 7th chair Symphonic

2006 WHS Winter Guard

On November 14th, students from the high school band auditioned for the 2006 Winter Guard and were selected to participate in the Winter Guard which will be directed by our fabulous Color Guard director Denise Armstrong. The competition schedule for the group is included below. These kids are awesome and you do not want to miss any of their outstanding performances.

- Saturday, February 4—Garland
- Saturday, February 11—Colleyville
- Saturday, February 25—NRH
- Friday, March 31 Championships—Grand Prairie

Lauren Allred
Latrell Anderson
Lyndi Ashley
Shonye' Bonds
Ashleigh Brennan
Elizabeth Buchanan
Alicia Cranford
Xavia Gatson
Hollie Grumbles
Erika Johnson

Stephanie Lund
Airy Matthews
Jessica Mc Nerney
Ariana Needham
Brianna O'Daniel
Tori Popp
Brittany Reid
Shelby Richie
Amy Roberson
Ramie Waters

November Adult Volunteers

Connie Aldana	Sheryl Ground	Valli Phillips
Scott Allred	Mason Ham	Ira Pinkston
Marty Araujo	Estelle Hernandez	Cheryl Piwonka
Kerri Araujo	Darrell Hesse	Norman Piwonka
Belinda Ashley	Mackie Hesse	Lisa Popp
Robert Ashley	Stacy Hopkins	Edward Quintana
Jackie Bailey	Earl Hunt	Rosalie Ragan
Pete Beard	Kathy Hunt	Wendy Ragon
Rose Beard	BJ Ishmael	Diane Reed
Michelle Berning	Carrie Jackson	Helen Reed
DeAnn Bowen	David Jackson	Jennie Reese
Chris Buse	Joan Johnson	Marty Reese
Karan Byrd	Karen Lawton	Betty Richardson
Alan Cleaver	Karen Lockridge	Donna Roach
Sharla Cleaver	Diana Lund	Cheryl Stephens
Phyllis Collier	Patricia Marshall	Tom Stephens
Jennifer Dacy	Renee Martin	Billie Stephenson
Theresa Davis	Rafael Martinez	George Susat
Lisa Doonan	Karen Maxwell	Paula Susat
Kendall Drew	Ron Maxwell	Gail Tobias
Christine Erickson	Sheila McGlothen	Carolyn Wallis
Kirby Erickson	Ronnie McMahan	Hal Wallis
Bobby Featherston	Sam Meade	Julie Waters
Cindy Featherston	Jackie Newcome	Joe Waters
LaNiece Foster	John Newcome	Sheila Wheaton
JoAnn George	Woody Perry	Gary Wyatt
Annette Grimes	Brad Pettit	Lisa Wyatt
Paul Ground	Nancy Petty	

Booster Officers 2005-2006

President.....Chris Buse
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WJHS Rep.....Cheryl Stephens
Turner Rep.....Billie Stephenson

The Waxahachie Band Booster Organization provides support for all students in the Waxahachie Band Program. Every band parent and friend of the band is invited to join the Waxahachie Band Booster Organization. The Waxahachie Band Booster Organization meets on the second Monday of each month, 7:00 P.M. in the WHS band hall.

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Waxahachie Holiday Parade

Saturday, December 3rd

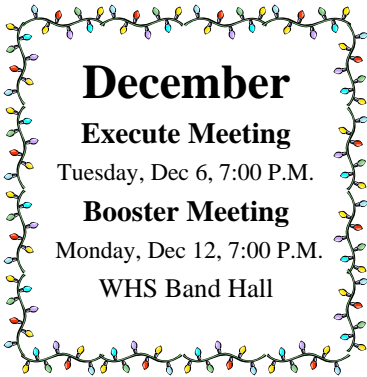
10:00 A.M.

Come out and support the band as they march in the Annual Holiday Parade.

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To the Parents of:








December
Execute Meeting
Tuesday, Dec 6, 7:00 P.M.
Booster Meeting
Monday, Dec 12, 7:00 P.M.
WHS Band Hall

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 Holiday Concert Dates



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 All Region Auditions 4:30-10:30 Duncanville HS	3 All Region Auditions 7am-7pm, Duncanville  Holiday Parade 10am
4	5 Jr High Band  Holiday Concert 7pm Fine Arts Center	6 Executive Committee Meeting 7pm	7	8 WHS Band  Holiday Concert 7pm Fine Arts Center	9	10 All Region Jazz Clinic/ Concert 7am-7pm Highland Park HS
11 All Region Jazz Concert 2:30pm Highland Park HS	12 Booster Meeting 7pm WHS Band Hall	13	14	15 TMS Band  Holiday Concert 7pm Fine Arts Center	16 WHS Band Party	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Winter Break						
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