



Winter Guard Exhibition

April 10th, 7:30 P.M.

The 2006 Spirit of Waxahachie Winter Guard will be performing their competition show at the WHS gymnasium immediately following the Band Booster Meeting. It is amazing what these young ladies can do with flags and rifles. Please come out and show your support. A special invitation is extended to all 8th grade woodwind players that are interested in being a part of the Fall 2006 Marching Band Color Guard. Come see what all the excitement is about!

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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.

www.band.wisd.org



Corpus Christi Band Trip

Thursday, April 27—Sunday, April 30

This year the WHS Band is traveling to Corpus Christi, Texas to participate in the South Coast Music Festival with some of the best concert bands in Texas.

Tentative Itinerary

Thursday, April 27

8:30 A.M. Depart for Corpus
 Lunch en route
 Early evening arrival, hang out and swim
 Dinner on own at various restaurants around the hotel.

Friday, April 28

Breakfast at Hotel
 Visit USS Lexington Aircraft Carrier
 Hang at Beach with Band Luau in the evening

Saturday, April 29

Perform in the South Coast Music Festival
 Lunch on your own
 Hang at Beach/Pool
 Dinner at the Lumberyard (Barbeque and Live Music for entire band).

Sunday, April 30

9:00 A.M. Check-out, load buses and depart for home.
 Lunch en route
 Early evening arrival back at WHS

Jazz Orchestra News

The Waxahachie Jazz Orchestra was awarded the **4A champion's** trophy at the 30th annual TCU Jazz Festival on Saturday, March 25. **Will Davis**, our lead trombone player, was named as one of two **outstanding jazz musicians** of the festival. The lead trumpet work of **Brian Stephens** in the charts *Four, Five, Six* and *Brass Machine* was clearly outstanding and deserves great praise.



Earning outstanding musicianship accommodations at the festival were **Will Zimmerman**-Guitar, **Caleb Gilbreath**-Drums **Sam Lipman**-Drums, **Michael Prohaska**-Trumpet, **Joseph Urias**-Trumpet, **James Hollingsworth**-Bass guitar, and **Corbin Edgington**-Tenor Saxophone.

Don't miss!

Jazz Alumni Concert

Thursday, May 4

7:00 PM

Fine Arts Center

With Guests

Keith Davis, Russ Echols
 Ivan Diaz DeLeon, Jonathon Geer

2006-2006 Booster Officer Nominations

The nominations committee will be presenting the slate of new officers at the April Band Booster meeting on April 10th, WHS Band Hall, 7:00 P.M.. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at that time. Voting and new officer installation will occur at the May meeting.



Booster Scholarships

Attention Seniors!

Apply now for Band Booster Scholarships.

Deadline for entry is

April 13, 2006

Application information available online at www.band.wisd.org



Turner Middle School Band

The Turner Band has a busy schedule of performances for the remainder of the year. They will perform for a rating and criticism in concert and sight reading on **Thursday, April 13, at 7:00 P.M.** in the **Fine Arts Center** at our High School. **Friday, April 28,** they will perform at **11:20 A.M.** at the **Sandy Lake Music Festival** in Dallas where they will be competing with 29 other bands for division ratings and for "Outstanding in Class." On **Friday, May 12,** they will perform at the **Beach Within Reach Festival** in North Richland Hills for a rating and best in class; performance time has not yet been assigned. Turner's **Spring Concert** is scheduled for **Thursday, May 18,** in the Fine Arts Center at our High School. Several children have opted to play Tenor Saxophone, Baritone Saxophone and Bass Clarinet. The lower sounds will enhance the overall tone quality of the band. Since these parts are totally different than what the students have been playing during their class period, they are coming in as early as 7:30 A.M. to learn and rehearse the parts.

Concerts and competitions at Turner are optional and have nothing to do with their respective grade in band. To participate, one must abide by the University Interscholastic League (UIL) and Texas Education Association (TEA) rules and guidelines, particularly the "No Pass No Play" rule. Turner is a secondary school and must follow the same rules and guidelines as junior high and high school. Not all Turner students chose to participate in the competitions.

Turner band students are continuing to do well in the academics. Winners to participate in the UIL Poetry Contest are **Kelsey Peyrot** and **Megan Rayford**, both of whom are percussionist. **Max Mills** (tuba) and **Melody Pinkston** (trumpet) have been chosen to participate in the UIL Prose Contest. Congratulations to these bandsmen!

Several promotions were in place before starting our latest fund raiser with Express Industries. Individual prizes were given and 30% of an individual's profit went directly to their account to defray competition expenses. The flute class won the class competition and were rewarded a pizza party on Wednesday, March 22. The three high salesmen (**J.J. Perkins, Blake Wright** and **Weston Merrill**) and our principal Mrs. Sutton were also invited to partake.

The Turner Band is excited about their upcoming events and hope that you will make an effort to be entertained by an outstanding group of young and budding musicians. Have a great Easter! -*Donnie & Margie Owens*

[Donnie Owens, TMS Band Director, 972-923-4690x406](#)

High School Band Auditions

The auditions for next year's high school band will be held after UIL on the following dates:

April 24-26 Flutes/Oboes/Trumpets/Horns/Percussion/Bassoons

May 1-3 Clarinets/Saxophones/Trombones/Baritones/Tubas

All auditions will be held in class and will consist of the following assessments:

- 8 Major Scales (Bb,Eb,Ab,Db,F,C,G,D) full range, AFAP
- Chromatic scale-full range AFAP (As Fast as Possible)
- Warm up Exercise #4 and 5

There will be another set of auditions starting in late August that will allow any student to advance into one of the top two competitive concert ensembles next Spring.

WHS UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest

On Saturday, March 4 the high school students participated in the 2006 UIL Solo and Ensemble competition at Desoto High School. Over 60% of the students participating earned a first division rating on their solos. Six students qualified to perform at the State Solo and Ensemble Contest in Austin, Texas. To qualify a student must play a class one solo from memory. **State Qualifiers** are: **Neetu Mathew, Dylan Dacy, Corbin Edgington, Caleb Gilbreath, Lindsay Drew,** and **Mary Howard.**

The following students earned a first division rating:

Flute

Taylor Armstrong
Elizabeth Buchanan
Neetu Mathew
Jaci Wyatt

Oboe

Joy Pinkston

Clarinet

Lyndi Ashley
Sarah Marshall
Nada Muwaquet

Bass Clarinet

Arianna Needham

Saxophone

John Meade
Eric Lenz
Valencia Banks

Baritone

Drew Collier
Rosemary Suset
Gerado Vitela

Tuba

David Pryor
Eric McMahan
Luciano Lopez
Robert Bell

Trumpet

Michael Prohaska
Jose Urias
Brian Stephens
Matt Neal
John Needham

French Horn

Mayme Bowen
Dylan Dacy
Amber Grant
Airy Matthews
Alex Bowling

Trombone

Alexa Anderson
Will Davis
Alejandro Medina
Cody Ground
Brittany Reid

Percussion

Neil Martin
Corbin Edgington
Caleb Gilbreath
Julie McVey
Evan Power
Bridgett Aulbaugh
Lindsey Drew
Mary Howard
Veronica Mouser

HS UIL Concert & Sight Reading Contest

Wednesday, April 12

7-8:30 am	Symphonic Rehearsal (Stage)
8:35-10:00	Wind Ensemble Rehearsal (Little Gym)
1:15	Symphonic Release/Dress
2:00	Symphonic Warm-Up
2:45	Wind Ensemble Release/Dress
3:30	Wind Ensemble Warm-Up

Thank You

Jazz Café

A very special thank you to **Gary Wyatt** for doing such a wonderful job coordinating this event. It was a huge success. We would also like to thank the following people that assisted Gary with pulling off this flawless event.

- **Event Coordinator** - Gary Wyatt
- **Music** - The Waxahachie Jazz Orchestra under the direction of Rich Armstrong, along with guest artist James and Keith Davis
- **Decorations** - Woody Perry, Deborah Green - The Greenery, Roland Hernandez - Roland's Nursery and Landscape
- **Catering** - Rose Cameron
- **Valet Parking** - Ronnie McMahan, Marty Reese & Edward Quintana
- **Ticket Sales** - Gary Wyatt, Waxahachie Veterinary Clinic, Waxahachie Daily Light, Bealls, Theresa Davis, Lisa Popp, Robert Ashley
- **Maitre D'** - Theresa Davis
- **Photography** - Jennifer Dacy
- **Advertisement** - Lisa Popp (playbill creation), Mr. Lipman (playbill generation), BJ Ishmael (playbill distribution), Neal White (advertising - Daily Light)
- **Guests** - Everyone that purchased tickets for the event!!!!

We are very grateful to everyone that provided support for this event. If we have omitted any names, please know that it was unintentional.

Lunches

We would like to give a special thank you to **Robert and Belinda Ashley** for purchasing the food and making the lunches for the Winter Guard and Jazz Band competitions. Both the parents and students thank you for taking the time to make sure everyone is taken care of .



Winter Guard News

The Winter Guard traveled to Haltom City on March 25th where they placed 3rd in their class with a score of 72.1. The Guard will travel to Bowie High School on Friday, March 31st for the Winter Guard RA Championships. Schedule information is available at <http://ntca-wgi.org/guardschedules.aspx>. The Guard will perform their show for Waxahachie on Monday, April 10th immediately following the booster meeting. This is a great opportunity to show your support for the Guard.

Congratulations to our 2006 Spring Winter Guard: **Lauren Allred** (co-captain), **Lyndi Ashley** (co-captain), **Ramie Waters**, **Tori Popp**, **Ariana Needham**, **Jessica McNerny**, **Shelby Richie**, **Elizabeth Buchanan**, **Brianna O'Daniel**, **Airy Matthews**, **Amy Roberson**, **Brittany Reid**, **Holly Grumbles**, **Xavia Gaston** **Erika Johnson**. -Denise Armstrong

WHS Band Banquet

Mark your calendars!
May 19th, 7:00 P.M., WCC
Parents are invited
\$10/person

March Adult Volunteers

Belinda Ashley	Sheila McGlothan
Robert Ashley	Ronnie McMahan
Jackie Bailey	Gail McVey
Luann Bell	Lisa Popp
Chris Buse	Perry Popp
Phyllis Collier	Jennie Reese
Paige Cook	Marty Reese
Jennifer Dacy	Helen Sellers
Theresa Davis	Cheryl Stephens
Lisa Doonan	Karen Summers
BJ Ishmael	Gail Tobias
Karen Lockridge	Kathy White
Diana Lund	Gary Wyatt
Renee Martin	Lisa Wyatt



Percussion Ensemble News

The Waxahachie High School percussion ensemble and the Waxahachie Jr. High percussion ensemble are both underway. Each are playing several charts from composers such as Pat Metheny, Bela Fleck, George Hamilton Green, and even Mozart. Both groups are meeting on Monday evenings and rehearsing for an extra hour a week outside of school and sectionals. The 6th grade percussion class at Turner Middle School is also working on some percussion ensemble literature utilizing their practice pads and assorted dinnerware. A percussion ensemble concert featuring these three ensembles will be scheduled on an evening in May, day and time TBA. -Derek Phillips

Drumline and Color Guard

Camps - April 8 & 22 - 8:00 - 12 noon
Auditions - May 8 - 12 - 4:30 - 6:30 Daily

Drumline - is open to all students in the percussion section interested in playing snare, tenor, bass, cymbal & front ensemble. Any interested students should contact **Derek Phillips** at dphillips@wisd.org, 972-923-4627.

Color Guard - is open to all students that play woodwind instruments. Any interested students should contact **Denise Armstrong** at darm710@sbcglobal.net, 214-507-4197.

- For all students 8th - 11th grade interested in participating with these groups in the fall.
- Location: WHS Band Hall & practice field
- Objectives: introduce students to marching drumline and color guard fundamentals and assess skills for placement.
- **Drumline Needed Items:** water, drum sticks, mallets, pencils
- **Color Guard Needed Items:** water, dance attire

WJHS Band News

Dear WJHS Band Parents,

The school year is coming to an end and what a great year it has been! We are so proud of all of our students and their achievements made this year. Here are some important dates and information you need to be aware of for the rest of the semester.

April 4	UIL Contest 7 th Grade	Wester M.S.	6:00 P.M.
April 6	UIL Contest 8 th Grade	Wester M.S.	3:15 P.M.
April 8	WHS Drumline & Guard Camp	WHS Band Hall	8:00 A.M. - 12 noon
April 10	Band Booster Meeting	WHS Band Hall	7:00 P.M.
April 18-21	TAKS Testing District Wide		
April 21	April Band Party	TBA	
April 22	WHS Drumline & Guard Camp	WHS Band Hall	8:00 A.M. - 12 noon
April 24-26	WHS Band Auditions	Grades 8-12	During class
April 28	WJHS Band Party	TBA	TBA
May 6	WJHS Solo & Ensemble	WJHS	All Day Event
May 8	Band Booster Meeting	WHS Band Hall	7:00 P.M.
May 8 - 12	WHS Drumline & Guard Auditions	WHS Band Hall	4:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. Daily
May 11	WJHS Spring Concert	WHS FAC	7:00 P.M.
May 12 -13	Beach Within A Reach Festival		TBA
May 20	End of the Year Band Picnic	Getzendaner Park	2:00 - 4:00 P.M..

UIL Concert & Sight Reading Contest

	Warm - Up	Performance	Sight Reading
7th Symphonic	5:30 P.M.	6:00 P.M.	6:30 P.M.
8th Symphonic	2:45 P.M.	3:15 P.M.	3:45 P.M.

April 4, 2006 – 7th Grade Symphonic UIL Concert & Sight Reading Contest - 6:00 P.M.

This is the big day! The 7th Grade Symphonic will be performing their hard worked UIL music at Wester Middle School in Mansfield at 6:00 P.M. Here is the tentative break down for the day:

1:45 - 3:00	– Rehearsal	
3:30 - 4:00	– Change into tuxedos	
4:15	– Depart from WJHS	*Students will receive a snack*
5:00	– Arrive at Wester M.S.	
5:30	– Warm-up	
6:00	– Performance	
6:30	– Sight Reading Performance	
7:15	– Depart from Wester M.S.	*Students will receive a sack lunch*
8:00 P.M.	– Arrive at WJHS	

April 6, 2006 – 8th Grade Symphonic UIL Concert & Sight Reading Contest - 3:15 P.M.

This is the big day! The 8th Grade Symphonic will be performing their hard worked UIL music at Wester Middle School in Mansfield at 3:15 p.m. Here is the tentative break down for the day:

11:30 A.M.	– Dismissed from 3 rd period
11:30 - 12:30	– Short Rehearsal
12:30 - 1:10	– Lunch
1:10 - 1:40	– Change into tuxedos
1:45	– Depart from WJHS
2:30	– Arrive at Wester M.S.
2:45	– Warm Up
3:15	– Performance
3:45	– Sight Reading Performance
4:30	– Depart from Wester M.S.
5:15 P.M.	– Arrive at WJHS

WJHS Band Event Schedule

April 8 & 22 – WHS Band Drumline and Color Guard Camp

Available to qualified 8th grade students interested in participating in either drumline or color guard for the Fall 2006 High School March Band program. See newsletter HS Section for more information.

April 24-26 – WHS Band Auditions Grades 8-11

Auditions will be for all students grade 8-11. This audition is to place these students in the High School Band for the fall. These auditions will be held at the Junior High during class time. Your 8th grade student received this information right before Spring Break. If you have any questions or need the information given to your 8th grade student, please feel free to call the Jr. High or High School Band Hall.

May 6- WJHS Solo & Ensemble, WJHS, All Day Event

Solo & Ensemble is designed for students to elevate their level of playing by preparing a solo or ensemble and performing that solo or ensemble for a judge. Students will be given these solos and ensemble after UIL. All 7th grade students will participate in a solo, ensemble, or both.

May 8 & 12 – WHS Band Drumline and Color Guard Auditions

Available to qualified 8th grade students interested in participating in either drumline or color guard for the Fall 2006 High School March Band program that also attended the Saturday Mini-Camps on April 8th & 22nd.

May 11 – WJHS Spring Concert

If you haven't had a chance to catch a WJHS performance all year, this is your last opportunity. All bands at WJHS will be performing on this wonderful concert. Make sure that you make plans to attend. This is something you do not want to miss.

May 12 – 13 – Beach Within A Reach Festival

Beach Within A Reach Music Festival is a fun learning experience for all students. 7th & 8th Grade Symphonic will perform prepared music at this festival. There are many other school districts that participate in this event. For more information, contact Mr. Hurst or Ms. Ray at the Band Hall. May 12 is the actual performance day. May 13 is scheduled for taking the students back to the park that purchased tickets for Hurricane Harbor.

End of the Year Band Picnic

Now is the time of the year where everyone goes home for summer break! Before everyone goes home, we are going to have a End of the Year Band Picnic at Getzendaner Park, Saturday, May 20th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. This picnic is for any band student grades 6 – 8. We will have fun activities planned. Make sure you are there. (There will be specific information as to what to bring, etc. that will be given out at a later date.)

Thank you for all of your support, concerns, and questions through out the year. Mr. Hurst and Ms. Ray appreciate you. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the [JH Band Hall at 972.923.4680 ext. 509](tel:972.923.4680) or e-mail us at: khurst@wisd.org or kray@wisd.org. - Ken Hurst & Kendra Ray

See April Newsletter Calendar for April WJHS calendar events.

May 2006 WJHS Band

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 CiCi's Pizza Nite	3	4	5	6 WJHS Solo & Ensemble Contest
7	8 Band Booster Mtg 7pm	9 CiCi's Pizza Nite	10	11 WJHS Spring Con- cert 7PM	12 Beach Within Reach Festival	13
	-----Drumline and Color Guard Auditions-----					
14	15	16 CiCi's Pizza Nite	17	18	19	20 WJHS Band Party— Getzendancer Park 2-4pm
21	22	23 Cici's Pizza Nite	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 CiCi's Pizza Nite	31			

ATTENTION!

7th Grade Symphonic Parents

On the day of our UIL Contest, some of the students will go from 11:45 - 7:00 without eating. Since this is the case, we will provide them with a small snack (i.e. a small bag of chips or pretzels) to eat on the way to Mansfield. Your child will be given a sack lunch on the way home from Mansfield for dinner. These sack lunches will consist of a sandwich, small bag of chips, a dessert, and a bottle of water. If you would like to send a snack with your child, that will be fine. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Ms. Ray at the Junior High School Band Hall, 972-923-4680 ext. 509. - Kendra Ray




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To the Parents of:

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Execute Meeting
Monday, April 3, 7:00 P.M.
Booster Meeting
Monday, April 10, 7:00 P.M.
WHS Band Hall

April 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		CiCi's Pizza Nite Every Tuesday				1
2	3 Executive Committee Meeting 7pm	4 UIL Contest 7th Grade Band Mansfield 6pm	5	6 UIL Contest 8th Grade Band Mansfield 3:15pm	7	8 Drum Line/ Color Guard Camp @WHS 8 - 12
9	10  Booster Meeting & Winter Guard Per- formance 7pm Banquet Mtg 8pm	11	12 HS UIL Concert/SR Contest WISD FAC	13 HS UIL Con- cert/SR Contest WISD FAC TMS Band Con- test 7pm FAC	14 No School Good Friday	15
16 Easter 	17 New Band Student Recruiting Drive Band Hall 6-8:30pm	18	19	20	21	22 Drum Line/ Color Guard Camp @WHS 8 - 12 Prom 7pm WCC
23	24 Recruiting Drive WHS Cafeteria 6- 8:30pm -----WHS Band Auditions for Grades 8-11-----	25 Recruiting Drive WHS Cafe 6-8:30pm	26	27	28 TMS Sandy Lake	29 
				-----Corpus Christi Spring		Band Trip-----