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WELCOME BACK!

January 5, 2021

UPCOMING DATES:

January 30: Café Virtuoso Virtual Concert Fundraiser

February 20: Region 25 Solo & Ensemble Contest

February 26: Virtual Solo Recital

May 11: Spring Concert @ Haggard Park

Good afternoon,

Happy New Year, and I hope your holiday season was restful. I know that I appreciated the time to refocus and take stock of the outgoing year. As we look ahead to this semester, I wanted to get a few important dates on your calendar. Details will be sent out as we approach each event.

Café Virtuoso

On **Saturday, January 30**, our Virtual Concert Fundraiser will be streamed. This is our annual concert fundraiser that benefits the Haggard MS, Wilson MS, and Vines HS Band programs. Proceeds will go toward equipment replacement and specialized instruction and clinicians. We love this tradition, and this year, we will broadcast it virtually, similarly to our Winter Concert.

Solo Contest & Recital

Students opting to compete with their solos and small ensembles will have options to compete in-person or virtually on **February 20**.

Students opting to participate in our virtual recital will record and be broadcasted **February 26**.

Spring Concert

We have been approved to host our Spring Concert on **May 11** at **Haggard Park**. We are so excited to have this opportunity to share the culmination of our efforts with the community.

2022 Spring Trip Announcement

Get excited for our Spring 2022 overnight trip! We will be announcing itineraries and costs in late spring!

Spring Class Expectations

As we return to synchronous learning Tuesdays through Fridays, please remind your students of the following:

- Mondays: 2nd Period Homeroom Check-In
- Online Classes will take place via Zoom at <http://bit.ly/vbandsync>
- Students are expected, per PISD policy, to have cameras on during online instruction. This is vital to our ability to monitor students' progress. In Band, students should expect to perform either via unmuting microphones or regular recording submissions.
- While students may not have weekly submissions, they will be assigned regular assignments for progress monitoring.
- Google Classroom Codes:
 - **Symphonic Band: bf7snzs, Wind Ensemble: ce3kilo, Wind Symphony: ryjw4ot**