Pope Band Notes

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FROM THE DIRECTORS PODIUM

Pope Band Students and Families -

The countdown begins as we have officially entered on the final 6-weeks of school!

The Pope Bands are currently preparing for our Spring Band Concert on Tuesday, April 30, 2019. We hope you will join us at our final concert of the year as we showcase our program and celebrate the final concert for Class of 2019! Mark your calendars on Saturday, May 11th to attend our band banquet. This will be a great evening to recognize all the accomplishments of the Pope Band this year.

A HUGE congratulations to the Pope Winter Guard whom placed 3rd at the Southern Association for Performance Arts (SAPA) Championships in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The guard additionally traveled to Dayton, Ohio to compete in the Winter Guard International World Championships and were named a 2019 WGI Semi-Finalist. This is an incredible accomplishment and one which makes us so proud of this team and their instructional staff. Bravo!

As we begin looking towards the 2019–2020 school year, please be sure to begin looking at the band calendar, which is set through December 2019. We have several upcoming important dates (band registration, mini-camp, etc...) which pertain to next year's band students. We look forward to welcoming returning and new Greyhounds to the Pope Band!

Spring has Sprung! Have a Great Week!

HONEYBAKED HAM FUNDRAISER

Hosting family for a holiday? Getting together with friends? Or maybe you want to get outside for a picnic in this lovely weather. If so...

Now's the time to order your HoneyBaked Ham gift cards! Visit the Band's Hamtastic Fundraiser website to support this easy and generous fundraiser for the Pope Band. Gift cards can be used for ANY product – ham, turkey, sides, and more! You can even use them in the café!

We need several more orders to make our budget for the year, so please consider giving it a try. **Deadline is May 3.**

DATES TO KNOW

Check PopeBand.com for the full band calendar.

APRIL

- **17–18:** Fall Color Guard Auditions 5–7 p.m. Pope Band Room
- **20:** Mattress & Sheet Sale 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Pope Cafeteria
- **25:** Percussion Ensemble Concert 7 p.m.
- **26:** Jazz LGPE, Walton HS Swingphonic Band 1:45 p.m. Jazz Band 7:40 p.m.
- 26-27: Percussion Symposium, Lassiter HS
- **29:** Wind Symphony, HTMS 6th & 7th Grade Bands 7 p.m., New Gym
- 30: PBPA General Meeting 6:45 p.m., Pope PAC

Spring Band Concert 7 p.m. Pope PAC

MAY

- 3: Drum Major Auditions
- 7: PBPA Registration Meeting, Pope Media Center—6:30 p.m. New band families, 7 p.m. All families
- **11:** Band Banquet 6:15 p.m., Pope Cafeteria Acknowledgements & Awards, PAC
- 13: Rookie Camp & Full Percussion 5–8 p.m.
- **14:** Restaurant Night at Chipotle, 4–8 p.m.
- **16 & 17:** Mini-Camp 5–8 p.m.
- 22: Last Day of School
- 28: CMB Rehearsal 5:30-8:30 p.m.

JUNE

4, 11 & 18: CMB Rehearsal 5:30–8:30 p.m.

JULY

- 9 & 11: CMB Rehearsal 5-9 p.m.
- **15–19:** Band Camp (CMB) 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
- 17: Mandatory Fun Night (CMB) 9-10:30 p.m.
- **22–25:** CMB Post Band Camp Rehearsal 5–9 p.m.
- 29 & 30: CMB Rehearsal 5-9 p.m.

AUGUST

1: First Day of School

MATTRESS & SHEET SALE FUNDRAISER APRIL 20TH 10 A.M.-5 P.M.

The band's annual Mattress & Sheet Sale Fundraiser will be held this **Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.** in the Pope Cafeteria. Take advantage of factory direct pricing and money raised will support the band program as well as provide an opportunity to raise credit for your student account! There will be a complete mattress showroom featuring name brand options in different sizes and costs. <u>Luxurious sheet sets</u> will also be available for purchase.

We need your help to make this fundraiser successful! Get the referral flyers with your child's name on them to everyone you know. Your student's account will be credited for each mattress set purchased using your student's flyer (\$50 per set/\$25 per \$149 twin set) and each sheet set (\$5 credit) and pillowcase set (\$2 credit) using your student's name! What a great and easy way to offset band fees by earning credit for your student account! Help get the word out about this great opportunity by sharing our Facebook event with your friends.

Sign up using this link for one or multiple 2 hour volunteer shifts between 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Saturday and receive service hours! Whether you want to direct customers to the cafeteria or you are more adventurous and want to wave drivers in to Pope, there is a job for you!

For questions please contact Aimee Worley at aworley.pbpa@gmail.com.

MAY 7 REGISTRATION FOR 2019-20

Join us on Tuesday, May 7th in the Pope Media Center to get your band/guard activity fees for the new school year paid! Whether your student will be participating in Competition Marching Band (including Color Guard), Friday Night Spirit Band, or Band class only, this event is for you! In an effort to streamline the process, we are asking new families to join us at 6:30 p.m. for a brief meeting to learn about all things band including how to become a Chaperone, how to volunteer with our Equipment Team (E-Team), and how to get involved with the band program. At 7 p.m. we will have multiple stations open to collect activity fees for the 2019–20 school year. Payment in the form of cash, check, credit card or PayPal will be accepted! A link to our online registration will be sent soon. It will take only 15 minutes to complete, and it is imperative we get your student(s) properly registered for next year. If you have any questions, please contact your PBPA Co-Presidents, Aimee Worley (aworley.pbpa@gmail.com) or Vanessa Lilly (avnlilly@ymail.com). We look forward to seeing you then!

PINE STRAW FOR SALE

Spring is here, and it's time to clean up those flower beds! The PBPA is selling great quality pine straw with 3 delivery dates on April 19, April 26 and May 3rd. Orders are due one week before delivery. For all the details, click here. Ask your East Cobb friends and neighbors, and maybe even your HOA, business, or church for their support! And buy some for your own yard while you're at it! Questions? Contact Cori Hembree at pbpa.pinestraw@gmail.com.

TUXEDO RETURN TIME!

It's time to return all band tuxedos! The spring concert is dress casual, so you're done with the tuxedos for this year.

TO DO:

- 1. <u>Carefully</u> take hems out of pant legs and/or jacket sleeves. (If you've ironed on a hem, please remove with care, because pants have been ruined when people have ripped out an ironed on hem.)
- 2. Dry clean jacket and pants.
- Leave dry cleaner receipt attached to bag, and ADD STU-DENT'S NAME.
- Return to tuxedo racks inside band room by April 30.
 The band room is open every evening, Monday through Thursday, and also before and after school.

*Please check that the pants are the TUX pants and are not black dress slacks.

THE CONCERTS JUST KEEP COMING!

The school year may be winding down but there's still PLENTY of great music to hear! Mark your calendars for these fun events!

Pope's Percussion Ensemble will hold its annual recital on Thursday, April 25th at 7 p.m. in the band room. Come out and support these talented musicians.

Jazz LGPE at Walton High School on Friday, April 26th. Pope's two jazz bands under the direction of Ravan Durr will play for their annual LGPE rating. The Swingphonic group will perform at 1:45 p.m. and the Jazz Band will take the stage at 7:40 p.m.

The Lassiter Percussion Symposium is at the Lassiter Concert Hall next Friday and Saturday, April 26–27. More than 20 percussion ensembles will participate in this amazing festival. Admission is \$10 and covers the 2-day event. The Pope Percussion Ensemble performs on Saturday at 3:40 p.m. The Saturday evening performance will be by the University of Texas Percussion Ensemble. Go to the Lassiter Percussion Symposium's Facebook page for more information.

Wind Symphony will be performing with HTMS's 6th and 7th grade bands on April 29th at 7 p.m. in the new gym. Come out and hear a preview of some selections of our Wind Symphony's Spring Concert with surprise guests and welcome the families of our future band students.

Spring Concert on April 30th at 7 p.m. in Pope's Performing Arts Center! Brass Methods, Concert Band, Symphonic Band and the Wind Symphony will all perform for the final concert of the year!

BAND BANQUET — SATURDAY, MAY 11^{TH}

Come join us for the party! Please join us for our annual band banquet which will be held **Saturday**, **May 11**th in the **Pope High School Cafeteria**. **Doors open at 6:15 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.** After dinner, we will move to the **Performing Arts Center** for the acknowledgements and awards, which always include a few laughs and a few tears. Band yearbooks will be distributed at the end of the banquet to students who placed an order.

The tickets are \$20 per person and the deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, May 3rd. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Order forms are available in the band room and on the band website here. Please fill out the order form and drop in the white box in the band room.

We would love to see all band members (concert, marching and guard) and their families celebrate the wonderful year we've had. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Emily Walkenhorst at emily.walkenhorst@gmail.com.

RECYCLING SUCCESS THANK YOU!

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make our final recycling day a success. Although it was slower than our other events this year, it was a beautiful day. We served over 250 cars and met our recycling fundraising goal for the year.

GENERAL PBPA MEETING ON APRIL 30

April 30th is not only the band's spring concert, but it also marks our next General PBPA meeting. We will gather at 6:45 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center (PAC) for a brief but important meeting to review and vote on the 2019–20 budget. We hope to see you there!



Tuesday, May 14 is Pope Band spirit night at Chipotle! 33% of your purchase is donated back to the band when you show the flyer on paper or on your phone! You must present the flyer before having your order rung up at the register. Let's end the year hot with dinner at Chipotle. 1281 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta from 4–8 p.m. (Merchants Walk).