Pope Band Notes



FROM THE DIRECTORS' PODIUM

Students and Parents!

We are coming off an exciting Holiday Showcase performance weekend! Thank you so much for your continued support of the Fine Arts Programs at Pope High School. We hope to see you at our Winter Concert on December 11, which will feature the Pope Brass Ensemble, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and the 8th Grade band from Hightower Trail Middle School.



The Wind Symphony has been selected to perform at the Georgia Music Educators In-Service Conference in January. We hope you will mark your calendar for two spectacular performances, January 15 (7:00pm @ Lassiter Concert Hall) and January 23 (8:15 p.m. @ The Classic Center in Athens, GA). In Athens only, *Misnomer*, a Jazz Funk/Fusion Band, will perform with the band - this will be a performance you do not want to miss! We hope to see you Athens!

A friendly reminder that all District Honor Band and All-State Band auditions will occur on Saturday, December 14, 2019 at Marietta High School. All audition times have been posted in the band room. Students should attend auditions in business casual attire as to represent themselves, the Pope organization, and the audition process with high regard. We wish every musician the best of luck in their preparation and audition!

We hope you have a wonderful break and holiday season!



Important Dates

Check <u>www.popeband.com</u> for the full band calendar.

December

- Spirit Night at California Pizza Kitchen
- Holiday Concert (Brass Ensemble, Concert & Symphonic Bands, and HTMS 8th Grade Band) 7pm, PAC
- 14 District Band/All-State Auditions, Marietta HS
- 23-31 Winter Break

January

- L-3 Winter Break
- All-State Second Round Auditions, Union Grove HS
- 14 PBPA General Meeting, 7:30pm, Pope Cafeteria
- 15 GMEA Preview Concert (Wind Symphony), 7pm,
 Lassiter Concert Hall
- 18 Recycle Day, 9am-4pm
- 20 Wind Symphony Rehearsal, 10am-5pm
- **23-24** GMEA In-Service Conference (Wind Symphony)
- Wind Symphony GMEA Performance,8:15pm, The Classic Center in Athens
- 31 Symphonic Camp (Symphonic and Concert Bands), 4-7pm

February

- Symphonic Camp (Symphonic Band),
 9am-5pm
- **7-9** District Honor Band, North Cobb HS
- 13 Swing-N-Sweets, 7pm, Pope Cafeteria (Pope Swingphonic and Jazz Bands, Dodgen Jazz Ensemble)
- 17-21 Mid-Winter Break
- 29 Mattress Sale, 10am-5pm

JOIN US FOR THE NEXT PBPA GENERAL MEETING! JANUARY 14TH @ 7:30PM

We hope you will join us on **Tuesday, January 14**th at **7:30 p.m. in the Pope cafeteria** to get caught up on the latest news with the band. A slate of the PBPA board for the 2020–21 year will be presented at this meeting and voted on at the next meeting (March 10th). If you are interested in serving on the board next year (the term is March 2020–May 2021), or trying to figure out how best to lend your time and talents, please reach out to either of the current Co-Presidents, Aimee Worley (aworley.pbpa@gmail.com) or Vanessa Lilly (avnlilly@ymail.com), or anyone on the board. We always welcome your help, whether you have an hour, an evening or anything else available, we'd love to work with you!

Please consider getting involved and being a part of a great team of parents!

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POPE SPIRIT WEAR FOR SALE!

Need a gift idea for the upcoming holiday season? Look no further!

We are selling Pope T-shirts (short sleeve for \$15, long sleeve for \$20) and hoodies (for \$30)! The four designs are shown here.

We also have Pope scarves (double sided!) for \$20 - what a great stocking stuffer! If you are interested in ordering, please contact Karen Anderson at PopeSpiritWear@gmail.com.







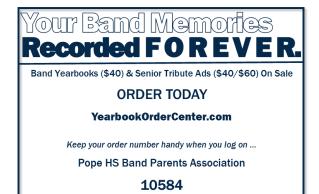


SPIRIT DAY AT CPK



Tuesday, December 10, is spirit fundraiser day at California Pizza Kitchen! Dine in or take out at California Pizza Kitchen anytime during the day. Show your flyer on paper or on your phone or tell them you are with the band, and CPK will

donate 20% of the proceeds back to the band! They are located in the Pinestraw shopping center near Trader Joe's at Roswell Road and Johnson Ferry. See you Tuesday!



MATTRESS AND SHEET SALE SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for the 4th Annual Mattress and Sheet Sale Fundraiser on Saturday, February 29th from 10 am – 5 pm in the Pope Cafeteria. You, your friends, and family will have the opportunity to save up to 50% off retail prices AND earn credit for your student's account! Watch your email and this newsletter for details in January! Questions? Contact Beth Hartt at popebandmattress@gmail.com.

BECOME A BAND BUDDY TODAY!

It's not too late to make a donation to the Pope band program! If you are wanting to make a tax deductible contribution before the end of the year, look no further than your own Pope Band Parents Association, a 501(c)(3) entity. Please complete the Band Buddy form found here and indicate how you would like to be recognized in the concert programs for the remainder of the year. This is a great opportunity for friends and family to support our band program as well! And don't forget to check with your employer to see if they will match your donation! A heartfelt thank you to those who have already made a donation. We appreciate your support!

RECYCLING DAY IS COMING

Mark your calendars for the **Pope Band Recycling Day on January 18th!** This is the band's biggest fundraising event and we need your help to make it a success. Here are three easy ways you can get involved:

- 1. Help us get the word out and volunteer to distribute promotional flyers in your neighborhood over the break.
- 2. Volunteer to help pick up recycling items from area residents and businesses.
- Volunteer to work a two-hour shift on Saturday, January 18th. Be on the lookout for more information coming soon. In the meantime, to learn more contact

popebandrecycling@gmail.com, or click here for complete details.









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