Achievements/Honors…

BAND
HPHS:
• Congratulations to the HPHS Band for capturing 2nd place in the finals of the Midlothian Marching Showcase on October 1, with the band also securing Best in Class and Best Percussion in their division!
• The HPHS Drum Line placed first in the A Standstill Division II at the Plano Drum Line Competition on September 24. HP also received Outstanding Quads and Outstanding Front Ensemble in their division. Michael Cochran (11), quad section leader, captured first place in the multi-tenor solo division for his original composition solo “Quadouken.” Congrats to all!
• Good luck to the Highlander Band as they compete at the following: UIL 5A Region Marching Contest on October 13 at Kincaide Stadium in Dallas, Wylie Marching Invitational at Wylie Stadium on October 15, and USBands Fall Marching Contest (Dallas area) at Midlothian ISD Multi-Purpose Stadium on November 5; times not available.
• BBQ with the Band is October 14 from 5–7 pm in the HPHS Cafeteria with an auction and four raffle baskets; take-out can be picked up from 4:30-6:30 in the teacher parking lot off Douglas. Food is Peggy Sue’s BBQ. Ticket info/orders at leslie.kibby@gmail.com.
• Oct. 14 is also the Blue Out game in Highlander Stadium. Order shirts at blueoutshirts@gmail.com (short-sleeve=$15; long-sleeve= $20). Polo shirts also available. For more info regarding BBQ/auction items/raffle tickets, go to http://hphsband.com and click on the Blue Out button at the top of the home page.
• HP Drum Line travels to Marcus Stadium in Flower Mound for the Lone Star Classic Contest on November 12. Best of luck!
• Good luck to band members as they audition for TMEA Region Orchestra (winds/percussion) on November 15 at Duncanville HS. Those who make Region Orchestra will perform on November 19 at Conrad HS in Dallas.

HPMS/MIS:
• HPMS Raider 7/8 Bands perform at the 8th grade HPMS football game on October 4 in Highlander Stadium. The band also pairs with the Highlander Band at the “Blue Out” HPHS/Mesquite Poteet football game on October 14 in Highlander Stadium.
• 7/8 band students attend ExtravaBANDza, a Region Band clinic, on October 22 at HPMS, 9 am-1 pm
• HPMS 7/8 Bands present a Veterans concert on November 8 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.
• TMEA All-Region Middle School Band auditions are November 11-12 at Kennemer MS in Duncanville ISD. Best of luck!

CHOIR
HPHS:
• The HPHS Choirs fall concert is October 5 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.
• TMEA HS Choir All-District auditions were held on September 24 at DeSoto HS. 35 HPHS choir students made the District Choir and will be advancing to the TMEA HS Region 20 Choir auditions on October 22 at Waxahachie HS. Congratulations to 12 HPHS students who were ranked 1st, 2nd, or 3rd chair, as noted next to their names.
HISTORY

HUMPHRIES continued:


- HPHS Choir Department’s Pre-Game Fiesta Dinner is October 28 in the HPHS Cafeteria from 5-7 pm. Drive-thru take-out is from 4:30-6:00 pm in the teacher parking lot off Douglas. Food is from Blue Mesa Grill; tickets are $10. The Choir is also selling grand-prize raffle tickets for a Vespa Primavera 50, 70th anniversary limited edition. Special features include: Settantesimo logo on the seat and glove compartment; USB port inside the glove compartment to charge your cell phone while driving; special seat color for this scooter only with contrasting welting; limited edition color - Azzurro metallizzato (only 1,000 brought to US market); special dark-brown bag, which matches the seat with the same contrasting welting; fold-down rear carrier, where the special bag attaches for easy access; and unique wheels elegantly finished in a special gunmetal with polished lip. Vespa tickets are $25 each or 5 for $100. There are also great themed raffle baskets as well for $5 each or 6 for $25, which include “She’s a Lady,” “Let’s Hear it for the Boy,” “I’m Coming Home,” and “Music of the Night.” All tickets are sold by any choir student, and dinner tickets are also sold at the door. Drawings are held at the Fiesta Dinner.

HPMS/MIS:

- MIS/HPMS Choir members sing the National Anthem on October 4 at the HPMS Football game in Highlander Stadium.
- MIS/HPMS Choirs (6-8) Fall Concert is October 27 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.
- MIS/HPMS Choir members pair with HPHS Lads & Lassies to sing the National Anthem at the HPHS-Royse City football game on October 28 in Highlander Stadium.
- TMEA Region 20 Middle School Choir Solo/Ensemble competition is November 12 at Greiner MS in Dallas. Best of luck!

DEBATE

- HPHS Debate competed at the Grapevine Classic on September 9-10. Out of a field of 63 teams from around the country, the team of Michael Cerny (12) and Ethan Muse (9) snared 3rd place overall. This secured for them a bid to the Tournament of Champions in Kentucky. Michael was awarded top speaker in the varsity division. Congratulations!
- At the Greenhills Invitational on September 17-19, the team of Michael Cerny and Ethan Muse placed 15th overall out of a field of 117 teams. This finish was high enough to secure their invitation to the Tournament of Champions in Kentucky in late April. Congratulations!
- Congratulations to the team of Mark Lam (9) and Jenny Feng (12) capturing 2nd place in the novice division of the Newman Smith Invitational on September 23-24. Mark received 9th overall speaker and Stacy Wang (9) took 10th overall speaker!
ELEMENTARY MUSIC

- **Armstrong** – 2nd Grade presents an International Dance Program on October 21 in the Armstrong Large Gym at 8:30 am. 1st Grade presents a Thanksgiving Program on November 18 in the Armstrong Auditorium at 8:30 am.
- **Bradfield** – Kindergarten through 4th grade performances celebrate Great Friends Day on November 22 in the Bradfield Gym, in the morning until 11:30 am.
- **Hyer** – 2nd Grade PTA Pilgrim Day performance is at 9:00 am in the Hyer Auditorium on November 22.
- **University Park** – Performances of kindergarten through 4th grade celebrate Grandest Friends Day on November 11, 8:15-11:30 am.

ORCHESTRA

**HPHS:**
- TMEA Region 20 HS Orchestra string auditions are October 15 at Reagan MS in Grand Prairie – good luck! Those who advance tape for All-State Orchestra on October 29 at Booker T. Washington HSPVA; state results are announced in November. The TMEA Region Orchestra concert is November 19 at Conrad HS in Dallas.
- The Highlander Strings Orchestra performs a Hauntcert in costume with the MIS/HPMS Orchestras at the NorthCourt (between Nordstrom and Macy’s) in NorthPark Center on October 25 at 7:00 pm.
- HPHS Senior Orchestra members perform in the Black Light Pep Rally for parents on October 27 at 6:30 pm and for the student body pep rally on October 28.

**HPMS/MIS:**
- TMEA MS Region Orchestra Auditions are October 22 at Nimitz HS. Best of luck! Students making the TMEA Region Orchestra perform on November 19 at Conrad HS in Dallas.
- MIS/HPMS Orchestras perform a Hauntcert in costume with the HPHS Highlander Strings at the NorthCourt (between Nordstrom and Macy’s) in NorthPark Center on October 25 at 7:00 pm.

THEATRE

**HPHS:**
- HPHS Classic Series presents *Ajax*, a Greek tragedy by Sophocles, under the direction of Christopher Eastland. Public performances are November 3 and 5 at 7:00 pm and November 6 at 2:00 pm, with a possible Friday, November 4th matinee performance for HPHS senior English classes, all in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium. Tickets are $5 general admission, on sale 30 minutes before each performance at the HPHS Titus Box Office.

**HPMS:**
- HPMS HPMS Playbill presents a musical review, *Broadway Throwback*. Performances are in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium on October 21 at 4:00 pm and October 22 at 7:00 pm. Tickets are $5.

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A QUICK GLANCE AT UPCOMING FINE ARTS EVENTS
(Red-HPHS events; Blue-HPMS/MIS events; Green – Elem events)

Concerts/Performances

October 5
HPHS Choirs Fall Concert – HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 7:00 pm

October 21
HPMS Playbill Broadway Throwback – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 4:00 pm. Tickets-$5.
Armstrong 2nd Grade International Dance Program – Armstrong Large Gym, 8:30 am

October 22
HPMS Playbill Broadway Throwback – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm. Tickets-$5.

October 25
HPHS Highlander Strings & MIS/HPMS Orchestra Hauntcert – NorthCourt in NorthPark, 7:00 pm

October 27
MIS/HPMS Choirs Fall Concert (6-8 gds) – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

November 3, 5, 6
HPHS Classic Series Ajax – HPHS Palmer Auditorium (3rd & 5th – 7:00 pm; 6th – 2:00 pm); Tickets-$5.

November 8
HPMS Bands Veterans concert – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

November 11
UP K-4th grades Grandest Friends Day performances – 8:15-11:30 am

November 15
TMEA High School Region 20 Choir concert – Dallas Baptist University

November 18
Armstrong 1st Grade Thanksgiving program – Armstrong Auditorium, 8:30 am

November 19
TMEA High School/ Middle School Region 20 Orchestra concert – Conrad HS, Dallas

November 22
Bradfield K-4th grades Great Friends Day performances – Bradfield Gym, morning until 11:30 am
Hyer 2nd Grade PTA Pilgrim Day performance – Hyer Auditorium, 9:00 am
Competitions/Other Events

October 8
HPHS Debate – Jesuit Novice Tournament, Dallas

October 13
HS UIL Region 20 5A Marching Band Contest – Kincaide Stadium, Dallas

October 14
HPHS BBQ with the Band – HPHS Cafeteria, 5-7 pm; take-out 4:30-6:30 pm
HPMS Band Night with HPHS Band – Highlander Stadium, 7:30 pm
HPHS Blue-Out Game – Highlander Stadium, 7:30 pm

October 14-15
HPHS Debate – St. Mark’s Heart of Texas Tournament, Dallas

October 15
HPHS Band at Wylie Marching Invitational – Wylie Stadium
HS TMEA Region 20 Orchestra string auditions – Reagan MS, Grand Prairie

October 21-22
HPHS Debate – Plano West HS tournament, Plano

October 22
HPMS 7/8 Band ExtravaBANDza – HPMS
MS TMEA Region 20 Orchestra string auditions – Nimitz HS
HS TMEA Region 20 Choir auditions – Waxahachie HS

October 28
HPHS Choir Pre-Game Fiesta Dinner – HPHS Cafeteria, 5-7 pm; drive-thru service 4:30-6 pm
HPHS Debate – The Meadows Invitational, Las Vegas (Oct. 28-30)

October 29
HS TMEA Region 20 Orchestra Strings All-State Taping – Booker T. Washington HSPVA

November 5
HPHS Band at USBands Fall Marching Contest – Midlothian ISD Stadium

November 11-12
Middle School TMEA Region 20 Band auditions – Kennemer MS

November 12
MS TMEA Region 20 Choir Solo/Ensemble - Greiner MS, Dallas
HPHS Drum Line at Lone Star Classic – Flower Mound

November 15
High School TMEA Region 20 Orchestra Winds/Percussion auditions – Duncanville HS