Congratulations to the HPHS Band for receiving first division ratings at UIL Region 20-5A Marching on October 13 at Kincaide Stadium!

The HPHS Band captured 2nd place in the 5A class prelims and placed 6th overall in the finals of the Wylie Marching Invitational on October 15. Congratulations!

The band returns to the Midlothian ISD Multi-Purpose Stadium for the USBands Fall Marching Contest (Dallas area) on November 5; HPHS performance time is 2:45 pm. Best of luck!

Good luck to the HPHS Drum Line as they compete at the Lone Star Classic Drum Line contest on November 12 at Marcus HS in Flower Mound.

Good luck to band members as they audition for TMEA Region 20 Orchestra (winds/percussion) on November 15 at Duncanville HS. Those who make Region Orchestra will perform on November 19 at Conrad HS in Dallas.

HPHS Jazz Band November concert has been canceled. The Jazz Band will now be included in the HPHS Bands winter concert on Monday, December 5 at 6:30 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.

Band members audition for TMEA Region 20 Band on December 9-10 at Duncanville HS. Students who advance to TMEA Area compete on January 7 in the final auditions for All-State. Best of luck!

HPMS 7/8 Bands present a Veterans Concert on November 8 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.

Good luck to the HPMS Band members as they audition for TMEA Middle School Region 20 Band on November 11-12 at Kennemer MS in Duncanville ISD. Students who make All-Region perform in the TMEA MS Region 20 Band concert on December 3 at Duncanville HS.

MIS 6th Grade Band presents a winter concert on December 12 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.

TMEA Region 20 Choir auditions were held on October 22 at Waxahachie HS. Congratulations to 32 HPHS choir members for making the All-Region Choir and many with high chair placement, as noted! The following 12 students made the top All-Region Choir and are advancing to Pre-Area auditions on November 29 at W.T. White HS in Dallas. Congratulations to: Soprano 1 – Athena Davidson, Cailin Jordan-1st chair, Lily Wu; Alto 2 – Gracie Nunneley-4th chair; Alto 2 – Mary Berryman, Lucy Collins-alternate to Pre-Area, Avery Davis-1st chair, Claire Sarfatis, Sarah Grace Zandstra; Tenor 1 – Jace Tucker; Tenor 2 – Brennan Davis; Bass 2 – Adam Davidson-2nd chair.

Best of luck at Pre-Area! Those students who advance from Pre-Area compete in the final auditions for All-State Choir at TMEA Area on January 7 at Midway HS in Waco.

The following 11 students made the Region 9/10 Treble Choir. Congratulations to: Soprano 1 – CC Grosz, Emily Mahmalji-1st chair, Emily McKeithen-3rd chair, Jennifer Mickel; Soprano 2 – Bella Gumucio, Elle Orr, Peyton Saylors, Caroline Thomas; Alto – Lilly Nussbaum, Joseph Ward, Alexandra Yeager.

These 2 students made the Region 9/10 Tenor-Bass Choir. Congratulations to: Tenor 1 – Andrew Ewing-4th chair, Beck Lucas, Will Marshall-3rd chair; Tenor 2 – Colby Hopkins; Bass – Charlie Craft, Colton Green, William Jackman-3rd chair, Hudson Richey, Diego Valle-4th chair. All of these students plus those who made All-District perform in the TMEA Region 20 Choir Concert on November 15 at Dallas Baptist University.
**HPHS, continued:**

- This is the busy performance season for L&L and Park Version, when they are asked to perform for various organizations and private events. Public performances include the following:
  - **Nov. 20:** L&L – Snider Plaza Tree Lighting, early evening.
  - **Dec. 1:** L&L – Armstrong Tree Lighting, 7:00 pm.
  - **Dec. 9:** Park Version – NorthCourt at NorthPark-6:00 pm; Dillard’s at NorthPark-6:30 pm
- HPHS Choirs holiday concert is December 8 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.

**HPMS/MIS:**

- TMEA Region 20 Middle School Choir Solo and Ensemble contest is November 12 at Greiner MS in Dallas. Best of luck!
- MIS/HPMS Choirs join in the holiday spirit with performances at NorthPark, outside of Dillard’s, on December 7 at 11:00 am and December 9 at 11:45 am.

- The Highland Belles enjoyed the annual tailgate party with their families before the West Mesquite football game on October 7. Senior Belles say farewell to their final tailgate party: 1st row: Maddie Basso, Meghan Welp, Lily Schiff, Landry Arnold, Emily Grip, Leslie Hudson. 2nd row: Hannah McSherry, Caroline Gates, Olivia Gruber, Samantha Walker, Sahara Yaphet, Grace Sloan, Olivia Smith, Flora Kate Richards. 3rd row: Katherine Lorio, Avery Mercurio, Landry Myers, Jenny Beth Humann, Sydney Kilpatrick, Lindsay Stewart, Maryellen Salter and Emily Watson.

- Upcoming dates for the 2017-18 Highland Belles tryouts are as follows: Nov. 28-30 – Tryout Clinic, 4:00-6:00 pm in ASF; Dec. 1 – Mock Tryouts, 5:30 pm in ASF; and Dec. 3 – Tryouts, 7:00 am in ASF. The prospective candidate/parent tryout meeting is November 2 at 6:00 pm in the HPHS Cafeteria. Students do not have to be currently enrolled in Belles Prep in order to try out for the team. Contact Mrs. Phillips (214-780-3734 / phillish@hpisd.org) or Mrs. Sanchez (214-780-4832 / sanchee@hpisd.org) with any questions. Best of luck!

**HPHS**

- Congratulations to the team of Michael Cerny (12) and Ethan Muse (9) for taking 5th place overall at The Meadows Invitational tournament in Las Vegas, Nevada on October 28-30! Michael was awarded fourth overall speaker. Congratulations on a great weekend.
- The following two teams had great success in the novice division at the Plano West Senior HS Invitational on October 11-12. Congratulations to Stacy Wang and Naiesa Freeman for securing 3rd place overall and Evan Oliai and Mark Lam for placing 5th overall!
- On October 14-18 at the St. Mark’s Heart of Texas Invitational, out of a field of 60 elite teams from across the country, the varsity team [pictured right to left] of Michael Cerny and Ethan Muse captured 3rd place! This is an impressive performance and best finish for HPHS at this tournament in over a decade. Michael was also recognized as the 12th overall speaker. Congratulations!
  - Congratulations to the novice team of Stacy Wang (9) and Claire Lempert (10) for taking 4th place at the Jesuit Novice Scrimmage on October 8!
  - Upcoming possible debate tournaments: Hockaday on Nov. 11-12; Southlake Carroll on Nov. 18-19; Creekview HS in Carrollton on Dec. 3; Berkner HS on Dec. 9-10; and Hebron HS on Dec. 16-17.
**MUSIC**

- **Armstrong** – 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. 4th Grade presents a *Winter Concert* on December 13 at 8:30 am in the Bradfield Auditorium and at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.
- **Hyer** – 2nd Grade *Pilgrim Day* PTA performance is at 9:00 am in the Hyer Auditorium on Nov. 22. 3rd Grade gives a *Holiday Performance* in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium on December 14 at 6:30 pm.
- **University Park** – Performances of kindergarten through 4th grade celebrate Grandest Friends Day on November 11 in the UP Gym, 8:15-11:30 am. The 3rd Grade musical *E-I-E-I-Oops* is at 6:00 pm on December 6 and December 8 in the UP Auditorium/Music Room.

**HPHSS:***

- The TMEA Region 20 High School Orchestra auditions were held for strings on October 15. 5 students advanced to Area, taping for All-State Orchestra auditions on October 29 at BTW-HSVPA. Congratulations to: **Violin** – Richard Luo (10), Angela Wu (10); **Viola** – Michael Zhan (10); **Cello** – Justin Liang (10); **Piano** – Kaj Baker (11). State results are announced in early November. 43 students were selected to one of the two Region Orchestras, many with high chair placement:
  - **Honors Orchestra**: **Violin 1** – Adelle Crofford, Ava Crofford, Sarah Kway, Richard Luo, Allison Schultz, Angela Wu-2nd chair; **Violin 2** – Jeffrey Jehng, Robert Luo-2nd chair, Alex Pan, Darong Qi-4th chair, Michael Tran, Scottie Wells, Raymond Zou-alternate; **Viola** – Matteo Cordray-4th chair, Peter Davies, Michael Zhan; **Cello** – Will Cerny, Justin Liang-2nd chair; **Bass** – Ben Genender- alternate, Jarrett Murray-4th chair, Michael Walsh; **Piano** – Kaj Baker.
  - **Symphonic Orchestra**: **Violin 1** – Matthew Lee, Ava Miranda, Grace O’Keefe-4th chair, Stacy Wang-1st chair; **Violin 2** – Ella Carroll, Lily Derr, Grace Lazzaro, alternates-Karen Liang, Olivia Melley, and Nathan Smith; **Viola** – Jeffrey Copland, Spencer Dittrich-1st chair, Oliver Miller, Anjana Rathan-3rd chair, Mariyam Siddiqui; **Cello** – Sam Brown, Grayson Gale, Caroline Hill; **Bass** – Jake Annette-1st chair, Ford Chambers-3rd chair, Shane Murray-4th chair. All of these students perform at the TMEA Region 20 Orchestra concert on November 19 at Conrad HS in Dallas.

- Highlander Strings holiday concert is December 6 at 7:00 pm in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium.

**HPMS/MIS**

- HPMS Orchestra students attended the TMEA All-Region Middle School Orchestra auditions on October 22. Congratulations to 36 students for making one of the two MS Region orchestras! Special recognition goes to the following five students for their first or second chair placement, as noted. **Philharmonic**: Caitlin Chiu – violin concertmaster, J.P. Berry-violin principal 2nd, and Madeline Chung-principal viola. In Concert: Santhiya Rathan-violin principal 2nd and Alex Hung-principal cello.
  - **Symphonic Orchestra**: Tallulah Alder, Bracy Boyanovsky, Justine Choi, Caroline Dalton, Madeline Davis, Truman Dolder, Alektra Hammel, Alex Hung, Johnson Jin, Vivian Jin, Amelia Londsdale-Hands, Matthew Mattei, Jordan McGinley, Parth Nandekar, Santhiya Rathan, Lola Rodriguez, Evan Scott, Kaitlyn Wells, Michael Wisinski. All of these students perform at the TMEA Region 20 Orchestra Concert on November 19 at Conrad HS in Dallas.

- MIS/HPMS Orchestra winter concert is November 30 at 7:00 pm in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.
HHS Classic Series presents *Ajax*, a Greek tragedy by Sophocles with a new translation by Bryan Doerries. It is under the direction of Christopher Eastland. There are three public performances: Thursday, November 3 and Saturday, November 5 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, November 6 at 2:00 pm, all in the HPHS Palmer Auditorium. Tickets are $5 general admission, on sale 30 minutes before each performance at the HPHS Titus Box Office. There is also a matinee performance only for the Senior English classes on Monday, November 7.

Mrs. Raya’s Theatre Arts III class gave a special presentation through words, song and dance in honor of Red Ribbon Week, visiting each HPISD elementary during the week of October 24. They will soon travel to various area pre-schools in early December to present short original holiday plays.

Best of luck to senior theatre students Jake Pruitt and Sarah Grace Zandstra, who are attending the North Texas Drama Auditions at Collin College in Plano on November 18.

Theatre Arts II class is hosting *Breakfast with Santa* on Saturday, December 10 in the HPHS Cafeteria at 10 am. Area elementary school children are invited to eat, see Santa, participate in fun holiday arts & crafts activities, and be entertained with a delightful children’s play, all for only $5 per person.

**Please see the last page of this Newsletter for Breakfast with Santa registration information**

Newsletter by Susan Cruz

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**A Quick Glance at Upcoming Fine Arts Events**

(Red-HS events; Blue-MS/MIS events; Green-Elementary events)

**Concerts/Performances**

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

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

**November 11**
UP 4th Grade Choir celebrates Grandest Friends Day – UP Gym, 8:15 am - 11:30 am

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

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

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

**November 20**
HPHS L&L Tree Lighting – Snider Plaza

**November 22**
Bradfield (K-4) celebrates Great Friends Day – Bradfield Gym, morning – 11:30 am

Hyer 2nd Grade *Pilgrim Day* PTA performance – Hyer Auditorium, 9:00 am
### Concerts/Performances, continued

**November 22**
Bradfield (K-4) celebrates Great Friends Day – Bradfield Gym, morning – 11:30 am
Hyer 2nd Grade Pilgrim Day PTA performance – Hyer Auditorium, 9:00 am

**November 30**
MIS/HPMS Orchestra winter concert – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

**December 1**
HPHS L&L Tree Lighting - Armstrong Tree, 7:00 pm

**December 3**
Middle School TMEA Region 20 Band concert – Duncanville HS

**December 5**
HPHS Bands winter concert – HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 6:30 pm

**December 6**
UP 3rd Grade musical *E-I-E-I-Oops* – UP Auditorium/Music Room, 6:00 pm
HPHS Highlander Strings holiday concert – HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 7:00 pm

**December 7**
MIS/HPMS Choirs perform at NorthPark – 11:00 am at Dillard’s

**December 8**
UP 3rd Grade musical *E-I-E-I-Oops* – UP Auditorium/Music Room, 6:00 pm
HPHS Choirs holiday concert – HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 7:00 pm

**December 9**
MIS/HPMS Choirs perform at NorthPark – 11:45 am at Dillard’s
HPHS Park Version performs at NorthPark – 6:00 pm at NorthCourt; 6:30 pm at Dillard’s

**December 10**
HPHS Theatre hosts Breakfast with Santa – HPHS Cafeteria, 10:00 am

**December 12**
MIS 6th Grade Band winter concert – MIS/HPMS Auditorium, 7:00 pm

**December 13**
Bradfield 4th Grade Winter Concert – Bradfield Auditorium, 8:30 am; HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 7:00 pm

**December 14**
Hyer 3rd Grade Holiday Performance – HPHS Palmer Auditorium, 6:30 pm
Competitions/Other Events

November 2
HPHS Belles Candidate and Parent Tryout Meeting – HPHS Cafeteria, 6:00 pm

November 5
HPHS Band at USBands Fall Marching Contest – Midlothian ISD Stadium, 2:45 pm

November 11-12
Middle School Region 20 Band Auditions - Kennemer MS, Duncanville ISD
HPHS Debate – Hockaday tournament

November 12
Middle School TMEA Region 20 Choir Solo/Ensemble – Greiner MS
HPHS Drum Line – Lone Star Drum Line contest at Marcus HS in Flower Mound

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

November 18
North Texas Drama auditions – Collin College

November 18-19
HPHS Debate – Southlake Carroll HS, Carrollton tournament

November 28-30
HPHS Belles Tryout Clinic – HPHS ASF, 4:00-6:00 pm

November 29
High School TMEA Choir Pre-Area Auditions – W.T. White HS, Dallas

December 1
HPHS Belles Mock Tryouts – HPHS ASF, 5:30 pm

December 3
HPHS Belles Tryouts – HPHS ASF, 7:00 am
HPHS Debate – Creekview HS, Carrollton tournament

December 9-10
High School TMEA Region 20 Band auditions – Duncanville HS
HPHS Debate – Berkner HS, Richardson tournament

December 16-17
HPHS Debate – Hebron HS, Carrollton tournament

January 7
High School TMEA Area Band/Choir auditions

Breakfast with Santa Info and Registration Form is on the next page
BREAKFAST with SANTA

All boys and girls are invited to see a fun holiday play and to have breakfast with Santa Claus along with holiday arts & crafts activities at the Highland Park HS Cafeteria on

Saturday, December 10 at 10:00 am

Bring your camera for quick photos with Santa!

Reservations only – no tickets distributed. **Reservations will be valid only upon receipt of payment.**

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT IS DECEMBER 6TH

The cost for the play and breakfast is five dollars per person.

Please make your check out to HPHS Theater and deliver it with the info below by December 6 to SC108 in HPHS (or leave with HPHS Receptionist), or mail it to:

Highland Park High School
c/o Linda Raya
4220 Emerson
Dallas, Texas 75205

For further information, call Susan Cruz or Linda Raya at 214–780-3881

Please return portion below with CASH or CHECK by December 6th to HPHS or send by mail

Name of Supervising Adult (this will be the name reservation is under):
_________________________________________________________ Your email address:_________________

Number of students & adults attending ___________ x $5.00 = ______________ (Total amount owed)

We look forward to seeing you December 10. Thanks for your support!