



Music Boosters of Austin Spring 2019 Newsletter

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ATTENTION: The Music Boosters of Austin annual meeting on May 11 at 8:30 am
Music Booster members will receive additional notification by mail.



Austin High School NEWS and CONCERTS

Austinaire/Choralaire show "Somebody to Love" April 4, 5, 6 at 7 pm in Christgau Hall.
Note that tickets are available for purchase. MBA cards and Packer cards not accepted.

Orchestra Concert: The 2019 Senior Recognition Concert will be held Thursday
May 9th at 7 pm in Knowlton Auditorium

Band BLAST is on May 16 at 7 pm in Knowlton Auditorium, including all 7th-12th grade bands. The concert will include the world premiere of a new band piece composed by Dr. Timothy Mahr in memory of Dave Kallman.

The AHS Spring Choir Concert will be May 22 at 7 pm in Knowlton Auditorium

The AHS Wind Ensemble was one of three bands to perform at the MMEA Midwinter Clinic on February 14. Despite having 8 snow days (and only 5 normal school days in 3 weeks prior to the performance), it was a huge success! Many students stepped up with extra before/after school rehearsals to make up for lost time, and the performance received impressive reviews from other Minnesota music teachers. Many thanks to Cheryl Berglund, Erin Grush, and Ann Flisrand and the Ecumenical Bells who also performed!



Students from schools in our region will gather in Albert Lea on Friday, May 3 for a day of making music & performing for each other. At 7:30 pm, a group of select musicians chosen from each school in our conference will perform in the BIG 9 Select band, orchestra and choir concert that is open to the public.



Ellis Middle School NEWS and CONCERTS

7th and 8th grade Spring Orchestra concert: May 13 at 7 pm in Ellis Auditorium

Band BLAST: Thursday May 16 at 7 pm in Knowlton Auditorium

7th and 8th grade (combined with 5 and 6) Choir concert: May 23 at 7 pm in Knowlton Auditorium

Choralfest: May 23rd from 8 to noon at AHS. Clinician is Kalle Akkerman, AHS choir director.

IJ Holton Intermediate School NEWS and CONCERTS

5th and 6th grade **Orchestra** concert: May 14 at 6:00 pm in Knowlton auditorium

5th and 6th grade **Band** concert: May 14 at 7:00 pm in Knowlton auditorium

5th and 6th grade (combined with 7 and 8) **Choir** concert: May 23 at 7 pm in Knowlton Auditorium

Choralfest: May 23rd from 8 to noon at AHS. Clinician is Kalle Akkerman, AHS choir director.



Elementary Schools: *(informances are informal presentations of student learning that highlight with more depth, the classroom learning process and showcase a large variety of music skills and learning activities)*

Banfield Drama Club performance presents "Thwacked!"

Friday, May 3rd in the wood gym. Times are 8:30, 9:30, 10:30 and 1pm.

Banfield Spring Concert

Friday, May 17 in the carpeted gym

9:30	Grade 1
10:30	Grade 4
12:30 pm	Grade 2
1:30	Grade 3

Neveln Spring Concert

Wednesday, April 3 in the Neveln Gym

9:00am	1 st and 2 nd grades
1:00pm	3 rd and 4 th grades

Sumner Spring Concert

Friday, May 17 in the Sumner gym
8:30 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm

Southgate Music Informances

Classroom specific day and time schedules for the week of April 29 - May 3 in the Southgate music room. Students will bring home details on their specific classroom music informance plans.

Southgate news:

On March 15th, students enjoyed performances by the MPR Class Notes group, Copper Street Brass Quintet.

Student Accolades

- AHS students performed at the regional Solo and Ensemble contest in Lakeville on January 19.
- For band, there were 20 "Superior" ratings and 34 "Excellent" ratings
- For orchestra, there were 10 "Superior" ratings and 18 "Excellent" ratings
- **Chloey Camerer** was named "Best in Site" for band, and **Willem Huizinga** and **Micha Weber** earned perfect scores. Willem received a best-in-site honorable mention.

The Middle Level Solo and Ensemble contest was held on Saturday, February 2 at Owatonna Middle School. Over 40 students from Ellis participated in the event.

Grace Anderson received the "Best in Site" award for her saxophone solo.
Max Larson received an Outstanding Performance for his saxophone solo.
Thomas Herrick received an Outstanding Performance for his timpani solo.
Noah Davis and Adam Christianson also received an Outstanding Performance for their Trumpet/Horn duet.

The following students attended **Dorian Festivals at Luther College**:

- **Band: Chloey Camerer, Lauren Riskedahl, Emma Lenway, Natalie Nunez, Victor Ruiz, Hannah Pike, Abby Muller, Matthew Boyer, Jacob Venenga, Kory Klouse, Willem Huizinga.**
- **Orchestra:** There were 20 students who participated for orchestra.

The AHS Prep Orchestra had two students chosen to participate in the MNSOTA Mid Level Honors Orchestra in Minneapolis on Saturday, February 16th: Congrats to **Joseph Walker** and **Carson Blake!**

The following musicians represented Austin on February 15-16 as members of All State Choir, Band or Orchestra:

- Band: **Wayde Hall**
- Choir: **Owen Culbert and Aaron Knoll**
- Orchestra: **Eleanor Hinchliffe, Brock Lawhead and Charlie Kanne**

The following students received the following awards at the Harris Solo Competition at the Hormel Historic Home on January 26:

- Piano Beginner: **Emma Grush**, champion and **Levi Phillips**, runner up
- Piano Intermediate: **Meicy Liu**, champion and **Claire Pepper**, runner up
- Piano Junior: **David Vu**, champion and **Winston Walkup**, runner up
- Piano Senior: **Aaron Knoll**, champion and **Tedd Lund**, runner up
- Melodic Instrument Junior: **Matthew Grush**, champion and **Blake Zimmerli**, runner up
- Melodic Instrument Senior: **John Lukes**, champion and **Tedd Lund**, runner up

Congratulations to **Audrey Schneider** who was selected and performed with the mid-level treble honor choir at the ACDA Central and North Central Division Conference in Chicago, Illinois.

Congratulations to **Michael Ladd** who was selected and performed with the mid-level changed and changing honor choir at the ACDA Central and North Central Division Conference in Chicago.

Eric Yang and **Micha Weber** were selected to perform in the MBDA State 9-10 Band in April. They were selected through a recorded audition process.

Four students were selected to participate in the SEMBDA regional 9-10 honor band January 12 in Farmington: **Selah Goossen, Allan Mills, Riley Haugen, Alex Wynn**



Making Music In Our Community

Austin Symphony Orchestra:

The final concert of the 62nd season, *Celebrate Tony Ross*, will feature Tony Ross on cello. The concert is May 5th at 2pm at the AHS Knowlton Auditorium.

The 2018 Music Hall of Fame Inductees

Select Austin High School alumni will be recognized for their musical contributions during the Band BLAST on May 16th. Honorees to be determined.



Summer Happenings

AHS Annex Construction Update:

Construction has started on the new AHS choir room! The choir room is expected to be completed in August in time to open for the 2019-2020 school year.

Construction of the new annex 2nd floor will be starting in May, and the existing band and orchestra rooms will be "CLOSED" from mid-May through August during the construction process. Band and Orchestra will move back into the old rooms from August-December, and if all goes according to schedule, will move into the new classrooms in January 2020!

Austin Community Band:

...welcomes band instrument players! The group meets Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in the AHS band room. Two Wednesday performances are on the schedule in June and then the July 4 parade and evening concert. Contact Brian Koser at 433-3180 or email bkoser@msn.com if interested in participating.

AHS Summer Band:

AHS Band Students will be participating in Memorial Day Festivities on May 27 and will march in the 4th of July Parade in Austin and other locations to be announced in spring.



2019 Music Boosters of Austin Campership Application

Student's Name _____

Parent's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email address _____

Phone number _____

Grade student will enter in the fall of 2019 _____ (must be grade 5-12)

Music camp student will be attending _____

Address to forward check to _____

Date(s) of camp _____

Total cost of camp (private lessons excluded) _____

Form must be postmarked by **April 30, 2019.**

Mail to: Music Boosters of Austin

PO Box 32

Austin, MN 55912

OR email to: rjbachmeier@charter.net

Please note:

A copy of the camp brochure must accompany application

Funds will be sent directly to the camp indicated on the brochure

Payment will be up to 50% of cost of camp, not to exceed \$250, depending on the number of applicants.

MBA board will meet to approve and notification will be made.