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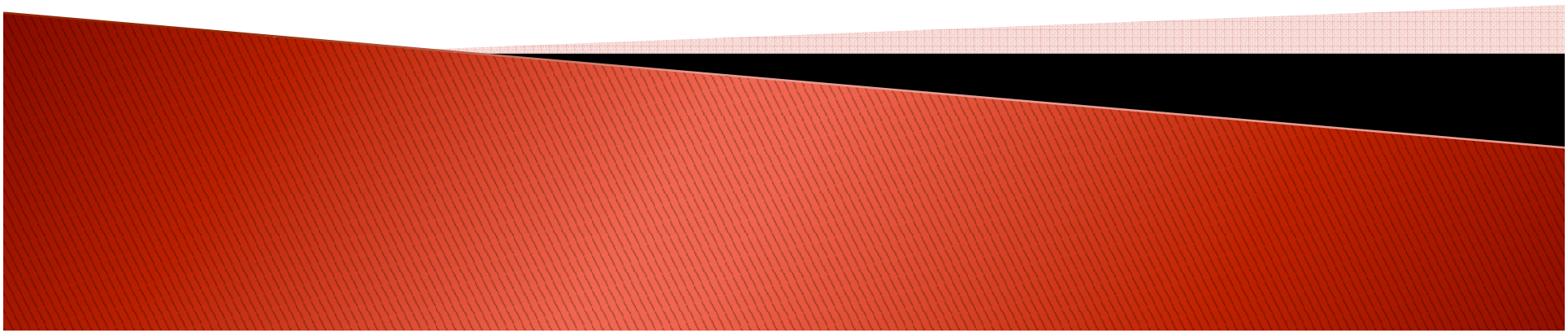
Welcome to the quarterly band parent informational meeting

Our goal tonight is to cover everything that will be happening between tonight and our May 19 meeting as well as touch on some highlights from the second quarter of the year



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Ravenna Myers

Informational meeting Monday February 17th at 7pm in the band room. Lots of information to come! Hope to see you there.

Like · Comment · Share · February 15 at 11:36pm near Vicksburg, MI

Ben Rosier

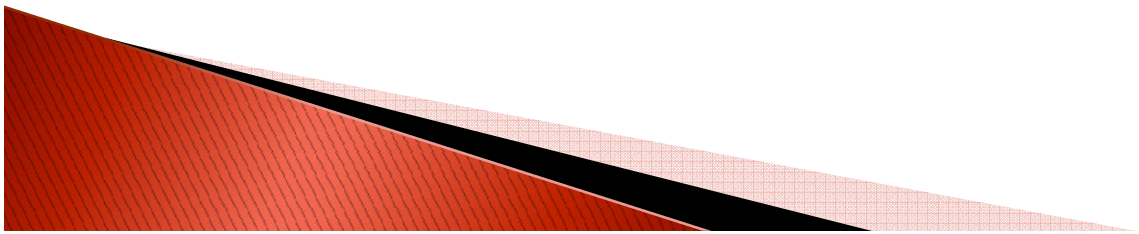
Check out www.vicksburgbands.weebly.com for lots of new information and a new look for our website. We will be moving to publish this soon.

New Website

www.vicksburgbands.com

Band Camp 2014

- Next year's camp schedule
  - July 30 Rookie Basics 9a-5p
  - July 31 Full Band Basics 9a-5:30p
  - July 31 Leadership Luggage check 7-9p
  - Aug 1 Leadership leaves (morning)
  - Aug 2-8 Full band camp @ Lincoln Lake, Gowen, MI (morning departure for full band)
  - Aug 8 Performance- 6p



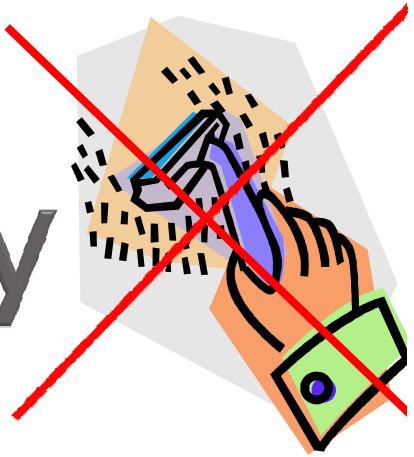
CONGRATS TO ALL STATE MEMBERS

- Sean Garrett
- All State Symphonic Band
- 4th chair Trombone

- Tyler Barnes
- All State Jazz Band
- The only jazz bass player selected

- Sam Gustavson
- All State Honorable Mention- Trumpet

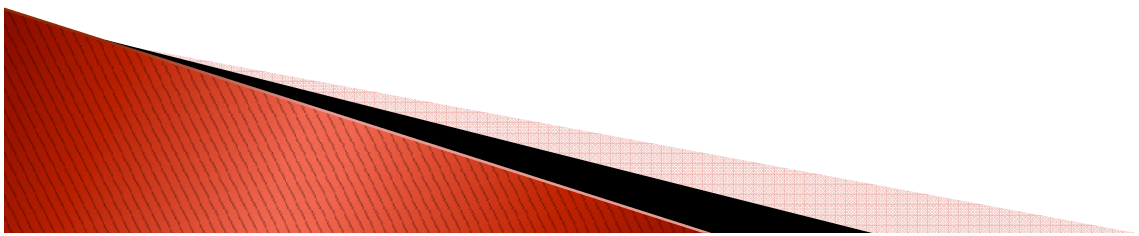
Adopt-a-family



- This was a great opportunity to have students contribute and help out a family in need. We were able to adopt a family of 4 and make their Christmas really memorable.
- Thanks to all who contributed!

Christmas Concert

- Some of the comments heard;
  - “well put together”
  - “you featured a lot of work from the students”
  - “really like the combined concert”
  - “why do you need to combine with the choir, it would be better without them”
  - “the concert really showed off what the community is valuing in our arts programs”



Basketball Pep Band

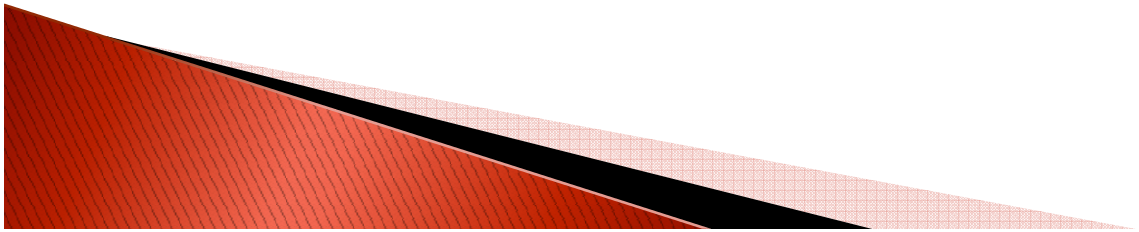
- Just finished the season with homecoming week and two Hope College games.
- Having a pep band of 65+ is a testament to the students enjoying playing together and having fun.
- If your child wasn't involved this year, maybe next year they will consider being a part of this.

1st semester grades

- Scales
  - 138 students received a 100% on their playing portions of the final exam!
- Written
  - The average grade was an 87%
  - This was all taken online with wireless devices in class.
- Scales for 2nd semester
  - 9th– 13
  - 10th –25
  - 11th –37
  - 12th –49

Scales (moving forward)

Percent complete for 2nd semester	27%	21%	35%	42%
Grade	12	11	10	9
Total Scales Played	663	273	330	267
Students per grade	48	34	37	44
Average scales per grade	13.8	8.03	8.92	6.068



JAZZ NIGHT OUT

- January 25 @Kalamazoo Air Zoo

COME FLY WITH ME!

VICKSBURG BANDS
JAZZ NIGHT OUT

WHERE: KALAMAZOO AIR ZOO
6151 PORTAGE RD
PORTAGE.MI 49002
TIME: 6:00PM-9:00PM
DATE: JANUARY 25, 2014
PRICE: $25.00

SPECIAL GUEST KEITH HALL

SILENT AUCTION * RAFFLE * DOOR PRIZES

APPETIZERS SERVED

Solo & Ensemble

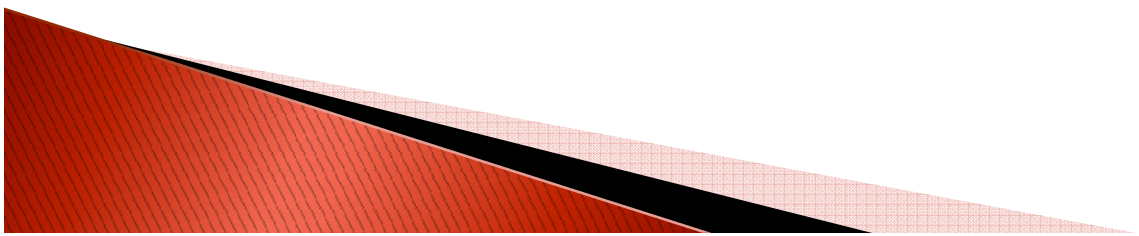
- Feb. 8 @ Schoolcraft High School

- 4 events received comments only
- 1 Division 3 rating
- 8 Division 2 ratings
- 11 Division 1 ratings

- State S&E Festival is March 22 and students who qualified should have already registered.

Annual Band Lock- In

- We had to cancel this event due to potential inclement weather.
- I rescheduled this for March 7-8 but will have to find another night to do this as too many folks have had issue with that date.
- I still don't know what possible date is good, but I do know it will be late April or early May.



MME Testing

- March 4,5,6
- Tues. – Juniors only
- Wed.– Juniors in A.M.; Everyone else in afternoon
- Thurs.– Juniors in A.M.; Everyone else in afternoon

SHREK the Musical

- Shows; March 14, 15, 22(7:30p), 23(2p)

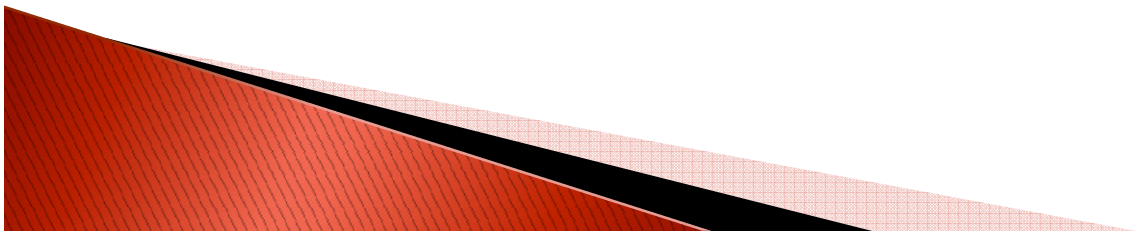
- Pit Orchestra
  - 2/24- 2:30-5
  - 2/26- 3-5
  - 2/27- 3:30-5:30
  - 3/5- 2:30-4:30
  - 3/9- Tech Rehearsal 5-9
  - 3/10- 5-9
  - 3/11- 5-9
  - 3/12- 5-9
  - 3/13- 5-9
  - 3/20- 5-10 (brush up rehearsal)

State Solo & Ensemble

- March 22
- Grandville HS
- Times will be given out once the state MSBOA office releases them.

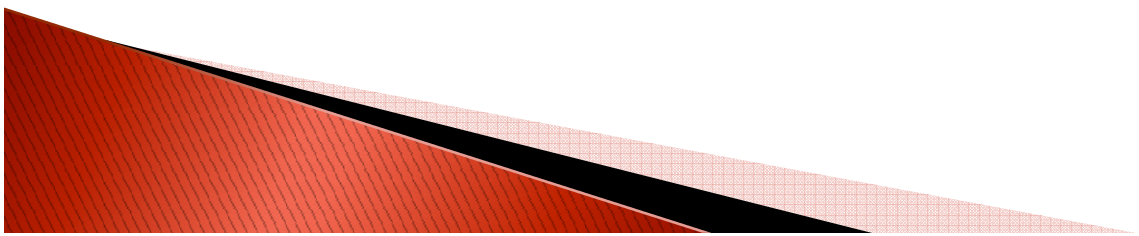
Orlando 2014

- Students should have brought home a balance owed letter.
- $54,941 still needs to be paid.
  - $100,549 has been paid up to this point.
- Thanks to the many folks who contributed to other families in need.
- New website will have all the information on it.
- Final itineraries



Gilmore Piano Concerts

- April 22- 7p
  - Childrens concert
  - FREE
- April 27- 4p
  - Gilmore Young Artist



Walk-a-thon

- May 4
- 1pm
- High School Stadium

- If you would like to be on this committee to help plan this event, please contact Kelly Soekarmoen and she will be in touch with you.

Drumline & Colorguard Clinics/Auditions

- May 1
- May 8
- May 15
- May 22
- May 29- auditions/final cuts if needed

Drum Major Clinics and Auditions

- May 8
- May 15
- May 19
- May 23- auditions/interviews

Memorial Day Parades

- May 26
- Vicksburg Parade 10a
- Fulton 12:30p

- We will plan to go play in Fulton with the 8th graders for the parade and come back before the cemetery service.

Spring Concert

- May 27
- 7p

- Feature Concert, Symphonic, Early Dawgs, Top Dawgs

Next Band Parent Meeting

May 19 here in the band room at 7p

SEE YOU THERE!!