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Casa Music Department Newsletter (April 10-16, 2022)

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CGHS Music Department Newsletter

April 10-16, 2022

Dates This Week:

4/12 - Brass Ensemble Rehearsal

4/15 - Drumline Rehearsal

4/16 - Practice Log #13 due (BANDS & JAZZ)

4/16 - Sight Reading Factory Trial #1 due
(CONCERT & SYMPHONIC BANDS)

4/16 - PracticeFirst Assessment Level 2 due
(FRESHMEN BAND)

4/16 - Musition & Auralia assignments due
(CHOIR)



Casa Grande High School Marching Gauchos in Butter and Eggs Day Parade!!!



The Casa Grande High School Marching Gauchos will be participating in the 2022 Butter & Eggs Day Parade on Saturday, April 23. We will be entry #100 in the parade, so we'll be back a ways! But we will be in it again, finally!

Here are the details...

Student Call Time: 11:00 AM

Millard's Message

Hello there, Casa music family! I hope that you have had (or at least your students have had) a wonderful Spring Break! I hope they feel rested and ready for the final season for this school year!

I was able to attend a few live musical performances at Santa Rosa JC and Sonoma State over the break. They got me very excited to bet back out there! Our "slow roll" is picking up momentum, little by little! So very exciting!

Be sure to read through EVERYTHING in these newsletters. New dates are being added as rehearsals, performances, and other special dates come up. You can always get the most current schedule here in these newsletters (be sure to get the most recent one).

I will be sending out another "special edition" of the newsletter probably by the end of this weekend. It will be geared toward volunteering for the music program at Casa. The more we come out of this pandemic and the more our "slow roll" picks up momentum, the more we will need numerous volunteers to keep up with the pace we will be moving into.

As a heads up, please mark your calendars for Thursday evening, April 14 at 6:30 PM in the Music Building at Casa. It will be an informational meeting on volunteering for our desperately needed bingo games fundraiser that we hope to get back up and running as soon as possible!

Looking forward to everything in this

Call Time Location: 4th Street between H & I Streets

Directions for Student Drop-Off: Drop off students with instruments and in full uniform on 6th Street, 2nd Street, or I Street and have them walk to our Call Time Location with their instruments (NO INSTRUMENT CASES!!!)

Parade Begins: 12:00 PM

Uniform: Marching overall pants (they zip up the front), marching jacket, marching hats/berets, BLACK socks, black marching shoes. I will provide 1 set of marching gloves to students for free in their classes ahead of time.

I would not expect us to be done before 2:00 PM. Since we are so far back in the parade, it is very difficult to give an ending time. Once we get to the end of the parade route, the band generally gathers together and is dismissed by the drum major.

***Reminder: Participation in this parade is required by all band members as a co-requisite for their band classes. There is a grade for participation in the parade.*

***The track team coaches and I are already in communication in regards to that day's track meet in Santa Rosa. I know that Coach Spencer wants all track athletes in band to be available to be in the parade. More information specific to the track athletes in band will be forthcoming as the track coaches and I communicate.*

Marching Rehearsal Pics from Just Before Spring Break



final stretch!!!

Respectfully,

Mr. Millard



Casa Grande Gaucho Plaza ALMOST Done!!!

The new plaza in the front yard of the Music Building at Casa is very near completion!!! We are hoping it will be 100% completed within about 10 days or so. Once I get a solid date for it's completion, plans will start immediately on outdoor Spring Concerts for the bands, the jazz ensemble, and the choir. Stay tuned!



Student Conductors Shine!!!

Various students in zero period Symphonic Band began being asked to conduct the band through their daily morning chorales each day as a part of the band's daily warm-up routine. This was after some brief lessons to the entire band on basic conducting patterns. Pictured below are our first two student conductors right before we went on break...Yiwen Xiao and Camilla Garcia-Gonzalez. More to come as we return to classes!!!



Assignments Due This Week...



Choir

- Musition: Rhythm Tapping (Beg - L2) [via Google Classroom]
- Auralia: Rhythm Dictation (Intro - L1) [via Google Classroom]
- *Both due on Saturday, April 16 by 11:59 PM*

Symphonic & Concert Bands

- Practice Log #13 [via Google Classroom]
- Sight Reading Factory Trial #1 [via Google Classroom]
- *Both due on Saturday, April 16 by 11:59 PM*

Jazz Ensemble

- Practice Log #13 [via Google Classroom]
- *Due on Saturday, April 16 by 11:59 PM*

Freshmen Band

- Practice Log #13 [via Google Classroom]
- PracticeFirst: Assessment Exercise - Level 2 [via Google Classroom]
- *Both due on Saturday, April 16 by 11:59*



Music Department Senior Feature

Student: *Carissa Stoudt*

Ensembles: *Choir*

Voice Part: *Part 1 / Soprano*

What is your favorite thing about being in choir? *The family vibes and the fun we have at all times.*

Favorite song you have ever performed in choir? *"Gaudeamus Hodie", "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burnin'", or "Winter Wind".*

What do you love about music? *How quickly and effectively it can instill an emotion in you.*

If you could only listen to ONE song for the rest of your life, what would it be? *"Pancakes for Dinner" by Lizzy McAlpine.*

Favorite movie? *Tangled.*

Any hobbies? *Gymnastics and socks.*

If you could have a catchphrase that is attributed to you, what would it be? *"Millard, I need a Band-Aid again."*



Important Dates



Mr. Millard with former Casa band student Martin Contreras at his Sonoma State Senior Music Recital on April 3, 2022

Tuesday, April 12

- Brass Ensemble rehearsal

Thursday, April 14

- CGHS Music Boosters Bingo Volunteer Informational Meeting (in Music Building @ 6:30 PM) *[more info coming in another newsletter within the next day or so...]*

Friday, April 15

- Drumline rehearsal

Saturday, April 16

- Practice Log #13 due *(band & jazz ensemble students)*
- PracticeFirst Assessment due *(Freshmen Band)*
- Sight Reading Factory assignment due *(Symphonic & Concert Bands)*
- Musition assignment due *(Choir)*
- Auralia assignment due *(Choir)*

Wednesday, April 20

- Marching Practice *(2:15 PM - 3:15 PM)*
- Everyone **MUST** attend this final marching practice before the parade!

Thursday, April 21

- End of 2nd grading period
- E.F.M. Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom *(6:30 PM)*

Friday, April 22

- Harvest Christian School Outdoor Dinner Pickup performance *(Jazz Ensemble) - Times TBA*

Saturday, April 23

- Butter and Eggs Day Parade *(all band students)*

Wednesday, April 27

- "Sights & Sounds of Casa" performance *(brass ensemble)*

Wednesday, May 4

- District Art Show performance *(Jazz Ensemble)- TENTATIVE*

Wednesday, May 11

- "Sights & Sounds of Casa" performances *(jazz ensemble, choir, and drumline)*

Thursday, May 26

- Music Department Spring Awards Concert *(all band & choir students)*

Friday, June 10

- Graduation Ceremony *(all band & choir students)*



Comments & Replies

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