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THE QUARTER NOTE

BAKER HIGH SCHOOL BAND

New Year!

I hope everyone had a much enjoyable Holiday Break and welcomed the new year with open arms. We ended the 2021 year off great and I hope 2022 treats us just as good.

OVERVIEW:

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3rd Quarter

As soon as we came back to school after the Christmas break we immediately had the annual MCPSS High School Honor Band. Davidson HS was the host this year. Silver Band students were under the direction of Ms. Lori Galemore from Phillips Prep. Gold Band students were under the direction of Dr. Rusty Logan from Auburn University. The clinic was held January 10-11. 2022 with the concert being the night of the 11th. Both bands did a phenomenal job on their performance.

Back at Baker our concert season took off with getting prepared for the annual Music Performance Assessment. All three ensembles (Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, & Concert Band) have been working tirelessly over the past 8 weeks to get ready for the competition. MPA is March 15-18. Baker's groups perform all on Tuesday 3/15. It is open to the public! Anyone can come watch the bands compete.

Since we are the host of this event, many parent volunteers are needed for the hospitality room. Our Booster President has already been getting parents signed up to help.

Performance Times

Symphonic Band - 12:30pm Concert Band - 3:00pm Wind Ensemble - 6:00pm

All-State Jazz

LABAMA MUSIC EDUCATOR

Senior trombonist,
Marshall Waites was
selected back in December
to participate in the
Alabama All-State Jazz
Band. High school students
audition by recording and
then are selected to be in
either Gold, Silver, or
Bronze Band. Marshall
performed bass trombone
with the Gold Jazz Band.







Dance Team

Our Dance Team traveled to Orlando, FL February 17-22 to compete in the 2022 DTU Nationals competition.

They received the following awards:

2nd Place Spirit Showdown 8th Place Large Varsity HipHop 11th Place Large Varsity Jazz



Mardi Gras

The Pride of Baker marched in 2 Mardi Gras parades this season. Friday February 11 we marched in the Conde Cavaliers parade and Tuesday February 22 we marching in the La'She parade. We had a lot of fun!







4th Quarter

4th Quarter starts on Monday March 21st and we will begin learning music for our Spring Concert scheduled for Tuesday May 3rd. The last competition event is the Solo & Ensemble Festival on Saturday April 30 at Spanish Fort MS. Students can play a solo or small ensemble for a judge. It is a great opportunity to show individual musicianship. District Honor Band and All-State are also scheduled for March and April too. We have 8 students representing us for these 2 honor bands:

Sydney Davis - Blue Band Flute

Andrew Diep - White Band Clarinet & District Honor Band

Victoria Fernandez - District HB Bass Clarinet

Jackson Moons - Contrabass Clarinet

Marshall Waites - Bad Band Trambane & District Haner Ba

Marshall Waites - Red Band Trombone & District Honor Band Andrew Vo - White Band Trombone & District Honor Band Andrew Sandlin - White Band Trombone & District Honor Band Eric Johnson - Blue Band Percussion & District Honor Band

What's Ahead

The next school year will be here before you know it! Important dates have been added to our Google Calendar so please go check that out on our website and start planning ahead!

Our orientation meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 17th at 6:00pm. This meeting is for all new and returning members. We will go over everything marching band related! Everyone's 1st payment of \$150 will be due at this meeting. Winds (woodwinds/brass), Percussion, and Guard will have band fees of \$450 for the 2022 season. You may pay all \$450 at once OR in 3 \$150 payments:

May 17 - \$150 Week of June 13 - \$150 Week of July 5 - \$150

*Dance Team - Mrs. Williamson will have your fee payment schedule.

Also the 2022-2023 MCPSS School Calendar has been approved.

MOBILE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Board Approved on 2/21/22 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 4-Independence Day 1 2 3 4 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 3-4-Professional Dev. (System wide Holiday) 1-2-Professional Dev. 20-22 Presidents / Fat Tuesday M T W th F S (System wide Holiday)

1 2 3 4 23-24-Students and Teachers

6 7 8 9 10 11 Holiday 3-Teachers Work Day 4-1st QTR Begins/ First Day of School 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 27- Classes Resume S M T W IT F S 17-3rd QTR Ends (46 Days)
1 2 3 4 20-Teacher Work Day
5 6 7 8 9 10 11 21-4th QTR Begins
19 20 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 5- Labor Day (System wide Holiday) F S 17-21- SPRING BREAK 7-1st QTR, Ends (46 Days) 10-Teachers Work Day 11-2nd QTR. Begins 11-Veterans Day (System wide Holiday) M T W Th F S 1 2 3 4 5 7 8 9 10 12 5 M T W Th F S 25-4Th QTR ENDS/ 43 Days 1 2 3 4 5 6 Last Day for Students 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 26- Teachers Work Day 21-25 Thanksgiving Break (School Holiday) 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 29- Memorial Day 26 27 System wide Holiday 16-2nd QTR. Ends (43 Days) 19-30 Christmas Break (School Holiday) Jan. 16 MLK Jr. Day Feb-20-22 Mardi Gras/ Pres. Day 8-FLEX DAYS Teacher Planning/Staff Development/Student Holiday Student/Teacher Holidays

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