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THE QUARTER NOTE

BAKER HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Look at those tan lines

We have completed the marching band competition and football seasons! What an enjoyable and successful season! It has been so nice to have actually worked on a show this year and march! Congrats to all Pride of Baker members on a wonderful season!

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Marching Band Recap

This season was amazing!!! We performed at all the home and away football games, travelled to Auburn for playoffs, AND competed in 2 marching band competitions. We competed at the Heart of Dixie Band Festival in Prattville on 10/9/21 and recieved all Superior ratings in Class 4A. Our Dance Team brought home Best in Class Dance also! The following Saturday we competed at Little Big Horn Marching Band Contest in Opp on 10/16/21 and received all Superior ratings in Class 5A as well as Best in Class Colorguard, Best in Class Dance Team, AND Best in Class BAND!!!! This is a huge accomplishment!

2nd Quarter

2nd Quarter started mid-October with the beginning of switching gears over to "sit down" band. We held our concert season auditions for the 3 ensembles we provide in the Spring which are Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, and Concert Band. As soon as football season ended, we immediately started working on music for our Christmas concert which will be Tuesday December 7, 2021. Concert is at 6:30PM and will be in the Baker Auditorium. Admission is always free to our concerts. Please come and celebrate the holiday season with us!



Heart of Dixie awards



Little Big Horn awards



2021 Show: "Radioactive"



students at JMB Honor Band

Honor Bands

On October 2, 2021 several of our students participated in the South Alabama Jaguar Marching Honor Band! They got to perform in the stands with the JMB as well as perform on the field in the brand new Hancock Whitney Stadium.

In November, students signed up to audition for the annual MCPSS Honor Bands. We had 52 students make it in either Gold Band or Silver Band. The clinic will be January 10-11, 2022 at Davidson High School with the concert being night of 1/11. Congratulations to all selected students!

What's Ahead

We have one more marching band obligation this semester before we break for Christmas. That is the Dawes Christmas parade which is scheduled for Saturday December, 11, 2021. Students need to be at the school by 11:30am. We are leaving Baker by 12NOON. Parade starts at 1:00PM.

When we return to school in the new year, students continuing band will be in their respected band class (Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, or Concert Band). Our main focus will be working our MPA program which is held in March at Baker. All schools in our ABA District will be coming to Baker to compete in the annual Music Performance Assessment.

Saturday, January 29 will be All-State and District Honor Band auditions held at Saraland HS for any interested students. More info to come!

Keep in mind, "marching band" will return for a brief moment in February with Mardi Gras parades! As of right now we have been asked to march in the Conde Cavaliers parade which is on Friday 2/11/22 and the LaShe's parade which is Tuesday 2/22/22.

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