



PULASKI MUSIC BOOSTERS - "WE LIKE THE SOUND OF THAT!"

The Weekly Trumpet 🎵 February 9, 2018

Notes from Pulaski Community School District's Music Programs

DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEER NEEDS

- **RESCH CENTER:** <http://signup.com/go/cefAFi>

WEEKLY MUSIC CALENDAR

Always double-check the online calendar on our website homepage for the latest updates



PHS

- **February 9:** Chamber Choir rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 9:** Red Raider Jazz Combo rehearsal, 7:00am
- **February 9:** PHS musical rehearsal, all cast, crew, and pit, 3pm-6pm
- **February 9-10:** UW-Platteville Tri-State Honors Band
- **February 10:** PHS Musical, 5:30pm report
- **February 11:** PHS Musical, 12:30pm report
- **February 12:** Descant rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 12:** Red Raider Jazz rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 12:** Jazz 2/3 5:30/6:30
- **February 12:** Booster Meeting, 7pm, PHS room LG-1
- **February 13:** Red Raider Jazz Combo rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 14:** Chamber Choir rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 14:** Mackinac payment due
- **February 15:** Descant rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 15:** Red Raider Jazz Band rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 16:** Chamber Choir rehearsal, 6:30am
- **February 16:** Red Raider Jazz Combo rehearsal, 7:00am
- **February 17:** PHS Musical, 5:30pm report
- **February 18:** PHS Musical, 12:30pm report

PCMS

- **February 12:** Musical pit band rehearsal, 3:15-4:45pm
- **February 13:** Jazz rehearsal, 3:05-4:35pm
- **February 15:** Musical pit band rehearsal, 3:15-4:45pm

Community Band/Choir

- **February 15:** Community Choir rehearsal, 7:00-9:00pm, Sunnyside Elementary



ANY UPDATES AND NEW ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS ARE NOTED IN **RED**

From D. Thomas Busch, PHS Band Director

- On Friday and Saturday, February 9/10, UW-Platteville Tri-State Honors Band 2018 will have 2 PHS Band students participating. The concert is on Saturday, 2/10/18 at 4 PM @ UW-Platteville Center for the Arts Concert Hall.
- **SOLO & ENSEMBLE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** See the end of this newsletter.

From Michael Guerro, Director of Jazz Studies & PHS Assistant Band Director

• **PHS JAZZ UPDATE:**

On Saturday, January 27, the Red Raider Jazz Band attended the UW Green Bay Jazz Fest. They performed the music of the great Count Basie and Duke Ellington bands and were complemented on their swinging interpretation. Highlights from the day include a clinic by jazz education experts, masterclasses with UWGB Jazz faculty and a concert featuring Wisconsin native Janet Planet and the Green Bay Jazz Orchestra.

On Friday, February 2 the PHS Jazz Combo attended the UW Stevens Point Jazz Festival. They had a jazz-filled day including a performance, clinic, masterclasses and a concert featuring Ryan Keberle and his group Catharsis. Two Combo members, **Sarah Kurowski & William Murphy** were recognized for their performances with an "Outstanding Jazz Musician Award," while the whole group was complemented for their overall effort. Great job Pulaski High School jazzers!

Upcoming PHS Jazz Events:

Thursday, February 22: NMU Jazz guest clinic/masterclass/performance

Saturday, March 3: WSMA District Festival (Jazz 2 & 3 only)

Saturday, March 10: Shazz Jazz Festival 2018 (RRJB & PHS Combo only)



From Renee Slezewski, PMB President

- **RESCH CENTER:** One person still needed for February 24. <http://signup.com/go/cefAFi>
- **MUSIC BOOSTER SCHOLARSHIP:** The Music Boosters offers PHS seniors who plan to major or minor in music in college the opportunity to apply for a scholarship. Applications for 2018 are now open. The deadline for applications is April 7. See our website for more information. <http://www.pulaskimusicboosters.com/pulaski-music-boosters-scholarship>

- **GARAGE SALE:** Choir and band families: please save items for our garage sale next May. This was a very successful fundraiser for the Music Boosters.
- **FUNDRAISING POLICY POTENTIAL CHANGES.** After the first of the New Year, I will be putting together a task force to brainstorm, discuss and implement a new policy for PMB requirements for fundraising/student support. Anyone interested in being part of this group please contact me via text 920-265-8549. I would like approximately 8 people to help with this process.

From Lisa Voelker – PMB Treasurer:

- **GAS AND GROCERY CARD PICKUP TIMES: Monday, February 12, 6:30pm, PHS Commons. Or contact Lisa Voelker, lisa@thevoelkers.com,** If you purchase gas & grocery gift cards, there is now a handy form available to make it easier for our card processing folks to ensure credit goes to your student's account. See the fundraising page on the website. Our card program is a great way to raise money for your student's music account in both band and choir! For groceries, we offer **Woodman's** and **Festival** gift cards. Woodman's profit is 5%, and Festival is 3%. We will split the profit between student accounts and booster general fund. We are offering \$50 & \$100 cards for both stores. We also offer **Kwik Trip** cards with a 5% profit to student accounts, in \$25, \$50, and \$100 amounts. Send any requests or questions to Lisa Voelker, lisa@thevoelkers.com, 822-1045.

From Deb & Bill Larscheid, METForce:

- **MUSIC EQUIPMENT TASK FORCE (METFORCE) LEAD(S) NEEDED.** Our time as METForce coordinators will come to an end at the end of this school year. **We would like to have someone step up to take over so that we can show them the ropes now.** Contact pmbmetforce@gmail.com.

Please contact Bill or Deb Larscheid at PMBMETForce@gmail.com for additional information or to answer any questions. Below is a brief description of what we (MET Force leads) do. Please keep in mind that the MET Force leads do NOT need to be present at every band function; they simply need to obtain details from the directors and share that information with the rest of the MET Force group.

- Assist in streamlining equipment flow when loading/unloading the band trailer or buses.
- Move equipment within PHS during concerts, solo ensemble, etc.
- Assist at home football game halftime field shows and at band camp.
- Obtain a driver of the band trailer for parades and all other offsite events.
- Communicate to the MET Force group the plan (vision) for events.
- Occasionally arrange for the pick-up of music equipment or random pianos to increase the band room/choir inventory.
- Coordinate the repair of equipment as needed.
- Communicate directly with the band directors or lead chaperones prior to any and all events.



Always use the Pulaski Music Booster website calendar for current updates

PHS Bands & Choirs

<p>During the school year:</p> <p>RR Jazz Rehearsals – Every Monday & Thursday 6:30am</p> <p>RR Jazz Combo Rehearsals – Every Tuesday & Friday 7:00am</p> <p>Chamber Choir Rehearsals – Every Wednesday & Friday 6:30am</p> <p>Show Choir – Every Tuesday at 6:30am until RR Showcase</p> <p>Descant rehearsals – Every Monday & Thursday at 7:00 am</p> <p>Jazz 2 & 3 Rehearsals – Every Monday evening 5:30pm & 6:30pm respectively, watch for start date</p>	<p align="center">PERFORMANCES & EVENTS</p> <p align="center"><i>Always use the Pulaski Music Booster website calendar for current updates</i></p> <p>FEBRUARY 2018 10, 11, 17, 18 - Musical</p> <p>MARCH 2018 3 – District solo & ensemble 16 – Music for Moderns 22 – Large Group Ensemble</p> <p>APRIL 2018 20 – Jazz Guest Artist 25 – Lakeshore concert band festival @ Roncali High School 30 – Choir Honors Recital</p>	<p>MAY 2018 4 – State solo & ensemble small group 5 – State solo & ensemble 18 – BACAS 20 – Spring concert</p> <p>JUNE 2018 16-18 – Mackinac Island (All music students.)</p>
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PCMS Bands & Choirs

<p>January 27 - Jazz @ UWGB January 28 – Chilirific</p>

Community Band & Choir

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Summer 2018 PHS Band and Marching Band Information

During June 2018, group music lessons are on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and last for 1 hour. Students are expected to attend lessons 1 day a week. These are for all band students.

The marching band has rehearsals on Tuesday and Thursday evenings during the summer from 5:30pm (drum line and color guard) and 6:30 (winds) until 9:30pm.

If your child is joining marching band, he/she will need to be present for a band lesson (3 total, one each week) and the marching band rehearsals both prior to the Mackinac Island Trip and after, as we will have our Concert on the Concourse on the last Thursday of June.

Planned dates at this time are:

June 12, 13, 14 lessons and rehearsal
June 16, 17, 18 music department trip to Mackinac Island
June 19, 20, 21 lessons and rehearsal
June 26, 27, 28 lessons and rehearsal
June 28 Concert on the Concourse

July 22 Polka Days Parade
July 23-27 Band Camp

We do not have any other parades/performances scheduled for June as of this date.

We may or may not have some parades/performances scheduled for July.

Polka Days Parade and Band Camp are mandatory for members of the marching band.

In August, we will have Wednesday evening rehearsals from 5:30 (drum line and color guard) and 6:30 (winds) until 9:00pm.

Once school begins, our rehearsals will go to Thursday night.

Dear parent/guardian of PCSD music student,

At this time every year, our focus shifts over to preparation for the Solo & Ensemble Festival. The event will feature student musicians from PHS, PCMS and surrounding high schools, and is a beneficial and rewarding experience for all students involved! PHS will be hosting the **District Solo and Ensemble on Saturday March 3, 2018**. In order for it to run smoothly, we need a large amount of volunteers and parent involvement.

We need you to help make this year's Solo & Ensemble Festival a success! There are many volunteer opportunities available, and you will not miss your child's performance as there will be spotters/relief workers available who will take your place while you go to see your child perform. Please indicate where you can help on the form below. We will do our best to honor your preferences while making sure everything is covered.

Please fill out and detach the bottom portion to this letter and return it to your child's director by TUESDAY FEB 20.

Thank you very much for your support. This event could not happen without your help!

Sincerely,

The PHS Music Directors
Kathy A. Brown
D. Thomas Busch
Michael A. Guerrero

Festival Manager
Kayla R. Stocco

 Yes, I am available to volunteer at the Solo & Ensemble event.

Please check all:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Shift (4 hours each)</u>	<u>Desired Responsibilities</u>
March 3	Morning shift	<input type="checkbox"/> Doesn't matter!
	Afternoon shift	<input type="checkbox"/> Food prep/concessions
	Both AM and PM	<input type="checkbox"/> Door monitor
	I'm available, but can only work	<input type="checkbox"/> Room monitor
	from the hours of	<input type="checkbox"/> Results runner
	_____ to _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Information booth
		<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Sale

If you respond yes, please **check your EMAIL frequently to receive updates regarding placement, report times, etc.

No, I am not available to volunteer at the Solo & Ensemble event.

Parent/guardian's name: _____

E-mail address/Phone #: _____/_____

Student's name: _____/Student's grade level _____

Parent/guardian's signature: _____