

Dear Highlands Band Students and Families,

It is time for our annual fourth and fifth grade Winter Band and Chorus Concert! We hope you are as excited about it as we are! The concert for family and friends is **Wednesday, December 13th at 1:15PM** in the Highlands gym. We hope to see you all there! (A dress rehearsal will be held for Highlands students and faculty at 9:00AM.)

As our Winter Band and Chorus Concert approaches, we will be scheduling two Wednesday before school rehearsals. The rehearsals will be held on **December 6th** and **December 13th** both at 7:30am. Students should arrive for band between 7:25 -7:30 a.m. so that they can be in their seats, ready to play at 7:35am. The success of the group depends on the students' attendance. Please be sure your child is present and on time.

It is important to arrive to these rehearsals prepared and having practiced your individual parts because this will be our first time playing together as a full group! The purpose of these full band rehearsals is not to learn your part, but to learn how your part fits in with the entire ensemble.

Dress code for the concert is "black tie." Students should wear nice black and white clothes. This is the first opportunity our Highlands musicians have had this year to display all the hard work they have done, and it is important for them to look as great as they sound.

Band students should have their instruments, stands, and music with them. They should also have handy anything pertaining to their individual instrument. For example: extra reed, neck strap, valve oil, etc.

We hope you enjoy your child's concert! The students have worked hard and are excited to share all their accomplishments. We're sure you will be very proud of them. We certainly are!

Sincerely,

Laura Bailey