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# THE NAVO BAND WEEKLY BEAT



The official weekly newsletter of the  
Navo Middle School Panther Band

It was wonderful to meet so many of you at our open house last week! I wanted to let you all know that we should have everyone in the correct class by the end of the day Monday!!! I will be attaching some links on page 2 for beginner parents if you are still in need of instruments and supplies. Please make sure to take care of this as soon as possible so we can start learning our instruments in class!!!

This is just a reminder that Band Fees (\$65) and are due by this **Friday, September 3rd**. Cash or Check only (made out to Navo Band). Don't forget that if you send a check, please include your phone number on the check. Thank you!!!

Upcoming Dates for September:

Sounds of the Stadium from 6:00-8:30pm at Collins Stadium in Denton. This is a HUGE district wide band event. The Navo/Rodriguez Advanced Bands will perform along with the other MS bands, HS bands, and the UNT marching band. We'll send more details as we get closer, but save the date!!! Beginner Band students...we would love for you to come out and watch!!! It will be a wonderful evening of music!

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School has started and we could use your help! We've created a wishlist of some items that we will be needing this school year in the band room. We appreciate any help you are able to offer big or small. This wishlist is set up to where you can choose to ship items from this wishlist directly to Navo MS Band to make it convenient for you. Thank you in advance for your generosity and your support of our students and directors in the Navo Band! We are looking forward to a fantastic year!!!



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*Amazon Wishlist*

*Thank you*

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# Beginner Band Notes

As I mentioned on page 1, All Beginner Band students SHOULD be in correct classes by the end of the day tomorrow (Monday). That is SOOOO exciting!!! We will be starting instrument specific things very soon. Mr. Hudson is heading off to see his oldest son graduate from basic training in the Army this week and so our beginner classes will be combined (Woodwind and Brass together) Wed-Fri. We will continue to build our knowledge of the music staff, time signatures, rhythm counting, etc. If there are still parents that need to rent an instrument and order supplies, you can click one of these two music company links to get started: <https://www.musicarts.com/rentals> or <https://www.wm1st.com/t-rent.aspx>

Alphabet All-Star Pass-offs have begun in the Woodwind and Brass beginner classes. Ask your child about how many pass-offs they have completed. They should be bringing their band binder back and forth to practice their musical alphabet. Their pass-off sheet is in their binder.

Beginner Percussion students have their "Plan for Awesomeness" sheet that they fill out at the end of each class with what they should be practicing at home that evening. That sheet is in their band binder.

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## Advanced Band Notes

The Advanced Band Students are working daily on fundamentals and are starting to receive music to work on as well. All students should be bringing their instruments home to practice what we've worked on in class. Just a reminder that sectionals began last week for all students in Honors Band AND Symphonic Band. See below for sectional times:

Students need to attend 1 sectional each week and may choose from the following:

Woodwinds: Tuesdays from 3:45-4:30pm or Thursdays from 7:00-7:45am

Brass: Tuesdays from 7:00-7:45am or Thursdays from 3:45-4:30pm

Students need to only attend one sectional, but if they would like to come to both, that is fine too.

Percussion students are having optional All-Region help sessions on Saturdays...check Mr. Miller's email for more details.

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## PRIVATE LESSONS at NAVO

Want to learn how to play football better? What if I told you that you could have Tom Brady as your personal trainer each week. Want to learn how to be a better cook in the kitchen? How about a lesson once a week with Gordon Ramsey? Imagine with that attention, how much better you would get!!! That is what private lessons are like for students in Band. The opportunity to take a one-on-one lesson with a **professional** on their instrument is an amazing opportunity for them and one that is available to them **TODAY!**

Please click this link to read all of the wonderful reasons why students should be in private lessons:

[https://banddirectorstalkshop.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Benefits\\_of\\_Private\\_Lessons.pdf](https://banddirectorstalkshop.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Benefits_of_Private_Lessons.pdf)

**Interested in signing up for lessons?** Fill out this google form and we'll forward your info to our private teacher to set up lessons with you: [Private Lesson Interest Form](#)

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