

Navo Band

Weekly Newsletter

Beginner Band



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Upcoming Events:

**September 21 - BRASWELL
HOMECOMING GAME!!!** Come check out the Braswell Band as you cheer on the Bengals! (optional)

**October 1 -
Sounds of the Stadium 6:30pm**
Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble perform with Rodriguez MS Band along with every other MS and HS band in Denton ISD and the UNT marching Band. **Beginner Band...this would be a great band event to come watch. It's FREE!!!** (optional)

**October 4 - BEGINNER BAND
REHEARSAL 3:45-4:45pm**
(REQUIRED)

October 5 - NAVO FALL CONCERT!!!
Our Beginner Band will be playing!
(REQUIRED)

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Dear Navo Beginner Band Family-

I hope this newsletter finds you well! I'm sure you've noticed that is a Beginner Band version of our newsletter. Now that we've gotten a few weeks into school, I'm sending out the newsletter split from our older students. We do such different events and things in class, I don't want there to be confusion within the newsletter. Here is what is going on in our classes:

BRASS - Mr. Hudson's classes are continuing to improve their buzzing on brass mouthpieces with sirens, and pitch matching, and have started playing on their full instrument. Brass students should have taken instrument home over the weekend to practice and can do this everyday from now on. Mr. Hudson has also started working on Alphabet All-Stars with his students. Students have an objective sheet that they are working on completing before the end of the nine weeks.

WOODWINDS - Mrs. Anderson's classes are continuing their Alphabet All-Star Pass-Offs and we've introduced Unit 1 of Rhythm Rockers to pass-off. All woodwinds should start practicing on their small instrument first before adding the full instrument (flute headjoint, clarinet mouthpiece and barrel, saxophone neck and mouthpiece, and oboe/bassoon reeds). We are continuing to make sure we make the correct sound/pitch on our small instruments. We have also started learning new notes on our full instrument. Students should be taking instruments home every day to reinforce what we've learned in class. Students have an objective sheet that they are working towards completing before the end of the nine weeks. This sheet is located in their band binder (blue sheet).

PERCUSSION - Mr. Lennox is continuing their Alphabet All-Star Pass-Offs. Students are learning how to count rhythms and count stickings as well as play those from their book. Students have an objective sheet that they are working towards completing before the end of the nine weeks. Objective sheets are located in the beginning of their band binder (green sheet) if you'd like to follow along with what items students will be working on this nine weeks.

I posted this last week, but it's worth mentioning again since all students should be bringing home instruments to practice now. It is called "A Parent's Guide to Successful Practicing." There is a lot of great information included such as what a practice environment should look like and what and why students should be practicing, etc. Here is the website:

<https://practicingguide.weebly.com>

Have a wonderful week!!!

Mrs. Anderson

2018-2019 Band T-Shirt

(Shirts should arrive by next week)

