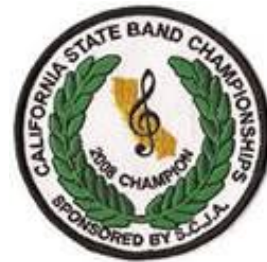




# NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2009



## Musically Yours

Message from our Band Director



Spring is almost here, daylight savings time begins March 8th and festival season is right around the corner. This school year is almost two-thirds over.

Recently, our student musicians have been focusing on their individual solos. As many of you have witnessed, we have many fine players in our program. On February 25th everyone in the audience was treated to an uplifting performance of "The Entertainer" by our percussion ensemble.

Over the next two months everyone's focus will shift to the concert band pieces. This year there are three performing groups, the Concert Band (2nd period), Wind Ensemble (1st period) and Symphonic Band (everyone) after school rehearsals for Symphonic band are every Monday from 2:25-4PM. Starting March 3rd, the brass section meets Tuesdays from 2:25-3:30PM. Alfonso Avina will run those sectionals.

Each of the three bands will perform at our Don Lugo Concert Festival. In addition, each band will attend one SCSBOA festival attempting to earn a superior rating to qualify for Regional's. Every student must learn their individual parts to all 5 or 6 songs that they are playing. They are expected to be able to play every note and every rhythm perfectly. This will take a lot of individual practice time at home. Please make sure your student is learning their parts.

Our Colorguard got off to a strong start with their first performance of the season February 21st at Centennial HS. It was the first time I saw the entire show and I really enjoyed it. Try and make the time to come see them at one of their shows.

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## Boosters Corner

Message from our Board

Our Concert Festival is just a couple of weeks away. This year, we will be the host to over 20 schools from Southern California. As a reminder, we need all students and parents to help at the festival. A volunteer sign up sheet is on the website. Print it out and bring to the next booster meeting on March 3. Your last chance to sign up on the day and time you want will be at the booster meeting on March 3.

Our Winterguard season is under way. The girls are working very hard on their show routine, and it is very good. Come out and support our Winterguard! The girls love to see familiar faces in the crowd cheering for them. The Winterguard schedule is on the web site along with maps to the events. Once the weather clears up we will start having our car wash on Saturdays. All money that is collected at each car wash will be divided among the workers for that day. Earn some money towards your account and have some fun at the same time. We will post schedules on the web site.

Earn some money for your account just by buying groceries at Food4Less Ralphs and Albertsons. For those who shop at Albertsons, you must renew your Preferred Savings Card on the Albertsons web site. Instructions are located on the band booster web site. If you shop at Ralphs, get a Ralphs Reward Card and register your card on the Ralphs web site. See Rob for Food4Less cards or for any questions about the programs.

Our next Booster Meeting will be held Tuesday March 3 in the band room. Hope to see you there!

*"I live by this credo: Have a little laugh at life and look around you for happiness instead of sadness. Laughter has always brought me out of unhappy situations. Even in your darkest moment, you usually can find something to laugh about if you try hard enough." -- Red Skelton*

For next year we are looking to expand the number of students involved in Colorguard. Our goal is to have 32 girls in the class.

Our Jazz band is up and running. Richard Firman of KYR music came out to visit February 25th and he sparked some additional interest in the jazz band. We are in the process of building the numbers in the jazz band class. Our goal is to have 2 complete big bands next year with a class enrollment of 36 students.

Bringing this article to a close, I think again of springtime. As I look forward to all of the growth that takes place in nature, I also think about the growth that takes place in our students as they take the time and energy to make them self better musicians. Come out to as many performances as you can this spring and watch them grow!

Musically yours,  
Mr. B



### Key Dates in March

- Mar 3 Band Booster meeting 7PM
- Mar 7 Jazz Festival in Upland
- Mar 14 Winterguard show @ Riverside King HS - Riverside
- Mar 20-21 Don Lugo Concert Festival
- Mar 26 Concert Festival @ Santiago HS - Corona (W.E)
- Mar 28 Winterguard show @ Valley view HS - Moreno Valley

**March Booster Meeting**  
**Tuesday March 3 @ 7pm**  
**See you there!**



**Attention  
Parents,  
We Need  
YOU!**

The 17<sup>th</sup> annual Don Lugo Concert Festival will be held on Friday, March 20 and Saturday March 21. *This is one of our key fundraisers and, we want everyone to participate.*

We will assign all parents to help work in the refreshment booth, direct traffic in the parking lot or check in schools.

Turn in the sign up sheet enclosed to secure a preferred time and assignment

Friday shifts are 2:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:30pm  
Saturday shifts are 8:30am, 10:30am, 1:00pm

If you have a preference, turn in your request to Mr. B or come to the booster meeting on Tuesday, March 3, otherwise you will be assigned as needed.

### Attention Students!

Each student is to provide a 12- pack of name brand sodas for our Concert Festival Snack Bar.

When you give your sodas to Mr. B, he will give you a coupon for a free meal. (Hot dog, chips & a soda).



Last names A-M bring: Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Coke or Diet Coke

Last names N-Z brings: 7-up, Sunkist Orange, Mt. Dew, or A & W Root Beer.

**Please turn them in by Friday, March 13th.**

**This is a Parent Sign up form only.**

## DAL Concert Festival Sign Up Sheet

Friday 3/20 & Saturday 3/21



***All students and parents will be assigned to work this event.***

Please take advantage and sign up early to get the day and time you want. For those who do not sign up, you will be assigned a time and day to work. We will do our best to coordinate with your child's assignment.

**Bring to booster meeting on Tuesday, March 3 or return to Mr. B. ASAP**

**Parent's Name**

**Phone#**

**Students Name**

**Friday 3/20**

**Friday 3/21**

**Shift 1** 2:00pm – 5:30pm \_\_\_\_\_

**Shift 1** 8:30am – 11:00am \_\_\_\_\_

**Shift 2** 5:00pm – 8:00pm \_\_\_\_\_

**Shift 2** 10:30am – 1:30pm \_\_\_\_\_

**Shift 3** 7:30pm – Close \_\_\_\_\_

**Shift 3** 1:00pm – Close \_\_\_\_\_

