



The following bullets contain important news and “notes” for Mercer Band Members and their families.

- **County Honors Band at Thiel College** – on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 and Wednesday, January 4, 2012 a number of Mercer Band members will travel to Thiel College to participate in the Mercer County Senior High-Junior High Honor Band Festival. Congratulations to Amanda Hazuda, Lindsey Miller, Caitlyn Barrett, Sam Booher, Tom Roseman, Maddie Hessmann, Kyle Strain, Angie Moose, Sarah Miller, Rachael Hoge, Russell Stone, Ryan Thorn, Ethan Nan, Bobby Winner, Andrew Zitko, Ian Bequeath, Noah Minarik, Kyle Wamboldt, Nate Hinkson, Chris Majonek, Liz Ludwig, Dalton Goehring, Kaitlin Conner, Sammi Metts, Jordyn Buchanan, Janalyn Miklas, and Sierra Gibson.
- **District Band at Seneca Valley** – Congratulations to Lindsey Miller, Kyle Strain, and Bobby Winner who were selected to represent Mercer in this year’s PMEA District 5 Band Festival to be held at Seneca Valley HS in Zelienople, Pa.
- **PMEA Middle School District Band** – Middle School Band Students interested in auditioning for PMEA Middle School District Band should pick up an information sheet and check audition requirements from Mr. Weller. Mercer is hosting the festival in April, and approximately 100 students from 30 different schools in Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, and Mercer counties will be participating.
- **Pep Band** – Please check the calendar for the dates of all games this month. As a reminder, please arrive so that we may start pre-game rehearsal by 6:30 p.m.
- **Jazz Ensemble** – Jazz Ensemble will begin rehearsal with a series of sectionals beginning in January and expand to full rehearsals once the musical is completed. Students in grades 9-12 should see Mr. Weller for audition music and a rehearsal schedule. The jazz ensemble will perform at both concerts this spring, and has been invited to perform at the Conneaut Valley Jazz Festival in March.
- **Marching Band Uniforms** – All current 5M Band Members are reminded that uniforms are due on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. Uniform committee members will be at the school on Wednesday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. Students in the SH County Honor Band will need their uniform for Wednesday evening and are asked to turn them in the following week.
- **Marching Band 2012** – The marching band schedule for next year is currently under construction. The final schedule complete with camp dates, games, and band shows will tentatively be out at the start of February.
- **Lockers and Folder Slots** – If any student in the academic concert bands is having an issue with their locker or folder slot, please drop Mr. Weller a note so that it can be corrected as soon as possible.
- **Website** – Be sure to visit the Mercer Bands online at <http://mercerbands.wordpress.com> to keep up on the Mercer Band happenings, get the monthly newsletter, and share comments about recent events. EMAIL – Should you need to reach Mr. Weller, please consider sending an email to [tweller@mercer.k12.pa.us](mailto:tweller@mercer.k12.pa.us).
- **February 28, 2012 Concert** – Prior to the start of the February 28, 2012 concert at 7:00 p.m. there will be photos take for the yearbook. All concert members are reminded their attire should be ALL BLACK. The order of the photos will be as follows: 6:20 p.m. – Jazz Ensemble, 6:25 p.m. – HS Wind Ensemble, 6:35 p.m. – HS Concert Band, 6:45 p.m. – MS Concert Band. Parents will have the opportunity to purchase the pictures taken that evening as order forms will be placed in the programs.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Band Booster Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in HS Band Room	<b>4</b> MS-HS County Band at Thiel – public concert at 7:00 p.m. in Passavant Center	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Pep Band 6:30 p.m.	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Jazz Band Audition Music Available.	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> District Band at Seneca Valley HS	<b>13</b> District Band at Seneca Valley HS	<b>14</b> District Band at Seneca Valley HS
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> No School	<b>17</b> 2012-13 Wind Ensemble Audition Music Available.	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Pep Band 6:30 p.m.	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Jazz Band Sectional (ADV-3:30 p.m.) – Saxes & Rhythm	<b>24</b> Jazz Band Sectional (ADV-3:30 p.m.) – Brass	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Pep Band 6:30 p.m.	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Jazz Band Sectional (ADV-3:30 p.m.) – Saxes & Rhythm	<b>31</b> Jazz Band Sectional (ADV-3:30 p.m.) – Brass	<b>Feb. 1</b>	<b>Notes:</b>		