

# *MGS BAND*

# *NEWSLETTER*

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April 1, 2018

**Fifth Grade Band-**The fifth grade band is busy preparing for their next upcoming performance. This will be Thursday, May 3 at 7:00 in the grade school gym. Band members should meet in the band room at 6:30. Please make sure your student remembers their instrument and music for this performance. Thanks for your cooperation, I really appreciate your help!

**Sixth Grade Band-** Our next concert is scheduled for Thursday, April 26 at 7:00 in the grade school gym. The band should plan on meeting in the band room at 6:00 to warm-up. The 6th Grade Band will also be combining with the Jr. High to for a Graduation Band for the eighth grade graduation. The eighth grade graduation is Wednesday, May 16. Please wear black socks, black shoes and plain white t-shirt (black pants also if you didn't wear our black pants for the Christmas concert). Hope to see you there!

**Jr. High Band-** While you have got that calendar handy, you also may want to mark our spring concert date. This is scheduled for Thursday, April 26 at 7:00 in the grade school gym. Band members will meet in the band room at 6:00. Hope to see you there! The Jr. High band's last performance will be Wednesday, May 16. The Jr. High band will combine with the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band to for a concert band to play at the Jr. High graduation. Band members will meet in the band room at 6:00. Please wear black socks, black shoes and plain white t-shirt (black pants also if you didn't wear our black pants for the Christmas concert) for both of these performances. Congratulations to all those graduating!

**Recorders-**This group is also busy preparing for the Spring Concert. It is scheduled for Thursday, May 3 in the grade school gym at 7:00. Recorders should meet in the cafeteria at 6:45.

**Jr. High Jazz Band-**The Jr. High Jazz Band has been invited to perform by the Peoria County Regional Superintendent of Schools to perform for the 30th Annual Arts In Education Spring Celebration at the Circle. We will be performing Monday, May 7 from 11:30-12 at the Monument in downtown Peoria. If you get a

chance, come down and hear us over your lunch hour. We would love to see you!

**Jazz Band II**-This band has also been invited to perform for the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts in Education Spring Celebration by the Peoria Regional Superintendent of Schools. We will be performing May 7 from 11:30-12 at the Monument in downtown Peoria.

**And Finally**-Bradley Band Camp registrations are due. I very strongly recommend this camp. It's a great experience and your kids will love it. See Ms.Trotter for details.

**Youth Concert**-Through an integration project the Sixth Grade Band students will get to visit the symphony. The Peoria Symphony Orchestra will perform a series of concerts for students. The concert will be Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. I hope that you will encourage your child to take advantage of this fine cultural event. The concert experience should prove most enjoyable as well as very enlightening.

**Jazz Night**-Mark your calendars....Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 will be the sixth annual jazz/open microphone night at MGS. All jazz bands will be performing and eli's Coffee Shop will be catering. This will be an awesome night!! Don't miss out!

### **MGS Band Calendar**

April 26	Jr. High Band Spring Concert
April 27	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band to Symphony
May 3	4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Concert
May 4	Jr. High Band to St. Louis
May 7	Jazz Bands perform at Arts in Education Spring Celebration
May 11	Jazz Night
May 16	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

May 18

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# **MGS**

## **Academy of Music**

Due to a great deal of interest from students and parents instrumental music lessons will be offered at MGS this summer. Lessons will be offered on the following instruments:

**Flute**

**Oboe**

**Clarinet**

**Saxophone**

**French Horn**

**Trumpet**

**Trombone**

**Baritone**

**Tuba**

**Mallet (keyboard) Percussion**

**Snare Drum**

**Drum Set**

**Guitar**

**Piano**

Lessons will be once a week for half an hour. If you are interested please contact Miss Trotter at 251-5558 or email me at [dtrotter@schools.mtco.com](mailto:dtrotter@schools.mtco.com) ASAP. A limited number of spots are available!