

DINNER CONCERT INFORMATION

Dear Band Parents,

On Saturday, February 22nd, the 5th-12th grade bands will host our annual Band Dinner Concert fundraiser. Our musical selections include pieces inspired by nature and storms. The programmatic selections by the high school band will take the listener on a journey through the development of a rainstorm.

During the concert, students will demonstrate the skills they have developed during this semester and we will highlight some of the compositions students have written. All band students are asked to stay for the entire length of the concert. It is an essential learning experience for our younger band students to hear the older students perform.

With the addition of 5th & 6th grade bands to this year's concert, the concert format will slightly change. We will be holding the dinner prior to the concert in the school cafeteria from 5:00-6:30 pm, and the concert will begin at 7 pm in the junior high gym. Please keep in mind this is a fundraiser for the band program. Therefore admission prices are the same for the dinner & concert or just the concert.

TICKETS: Advanced tickets are \$7 each or \$8 at the door. Admission for children ages 5 and under is free. Band students eat for \$3 (*student ticket(s) enclosed.*)

Enclosed in this envelope are 10 tickets for your student to sell. Money and unsold tickets are due back to Mr. Gore on Friday, February 14th . Please make checks payable to ABBA. We understand that some parents might not want to be responsible for tickets. That's not a problem! You may opt out by simply calling or texting Kris Bott at 217-390-2271 or you may send a note to Mr. Gore. Once you opt-out we will void your set of tickets. Once tickets are voided, they may not be used for admission to the dinner or concert. If you end up needing more tickets, Mr. Gore will have them available in the band room. Don't forget to ask grandparents & neighbors. This is going to be an amazing concert!

VOLUNTEERS: Your help is needed to make the Dinner Concert a success. Attached is a volunteer sign up sheet. Please return that completed form to Mr. Gore by February 14, 2014. Shifts are only one hour, and you will not miss hearing your student play. Jazz band parents are encouraged to not sign up for the last kitchen shift. Parents of senior band students, please take this event off and just enjoy the concert. We thank you very much for all your years of hard work and dedication to the Arcola band program.

DESSERTS: All students in grades 5th-11th are asked to bring a dessert to be served at the dinner. You may send your dessert to school with your student on Friday the 21st or deliver it to the cafeteria on Saturday the 22nd between 2-4 pm. We need all desserts by 4 pm please. We request that desserts not be pre-packaged. Due to health codes, we are also not allowed to serve desserts that require refrigeration. Popular desserts are, pies, brownies, cakes & cupcakes.

The students will be told prior to the concert what time to report to the band room. They will also have a special section where they can eat, or if time allows they may eat with their families. All students are required to wear their concert attire for this event. If you have any questions please contact us.

Thank you for your support,
Mr. Gore & the Band Boosters



Volunteer Sign Up Sheet

We need your help! Please fill out the volunteer form and return it to Mr. Gore no later than February 14, 2014

Parent Name: _____ Phone# _____

Child Name: _____ Grade: _____

Please mark where and when you would be able to help.

Set Up & Decorations: *(Help set up tables in cafeteria and decorate gym)*

___ 2:00-3:00 pm ___ 3:00-4:00 pm ___ 4:00-5:00 pm

Kitchen Help: *(Help dish up desserts, prepare food, serve soup & clean up kitchen)*

___ 3:00-4:00 pm ___ 4:00-5:00 pm ___ 5:00-6:00 pm ___ 6:00-7:00 pm

Room Chaperones: *(Be in band room prior to concert to help tie ties & supervise students)*

___ 6:30-6:50 pm

Chaperones: *(Supervise students in the bleachers during the concert)*

___ 7:00-8:00 pm

SUPPLIES NEEDED

To help keep the costs of the dinner concert down, we have listed the supplies that we need to purchase. If you're able to donate, just list the amount you'll donate, and please make to sure sent it to the band room before Feb. 21st. Thank you!

Qty Donated	TOTAL QTY NEEDED	Item Needed
_____	400	plastic forks
_____	400	plastic spoons
_____	400	dessert plates
_____	2 pkgs	napkins
_____	400	8oz styrofoam cups
_____	2 large	institutional size Country Time lemonade
_____	1 box	tea bags <i>(family size)</i>
_____	1 large container	coffee
_____	1 box	coffee stir sticks
_____	1 each	sugar packets
_____	1 each	Splenda packets
_____	1 each	Equal packets

Your help & support are greatly needed and appreciated!

For further information or questions please contact: Mr. Gore, Kris (390-2271) or Jean (268-3490)