



Fort Mill Band Notes

December 2006



Director's Message

Dear Parents and Friends,

Traditionally, the holidays are filled with music. Can you imagine the December festivities accompanied by silence? Let us take a moment to recognize and appreciate a communication that transcends all religious, racial, political and economic barriers: the artistic language of MUSIC.

Our world is shrinking. The mere flip of a computer switch puts us in contact with anyone ... anywhere. Geographical barriers no longer isolate us from our global neighbors. We are challenged to find a common ground for mutual understanding. There is only one language that embraces everyone: MUSIC. If we want our students to have a world-class education, then we must offer them world-class music instruction.

It is imperative that we pledge to establish a harmonious culture for our sons and daughters. Most certainly tomorrow's world will be a reflection of today's choices and decisions. Music must be a mainstay of our schools, for it answers the important questions of who we are as well as why we are.

In the spirit of giving, please accept my sincerest gratitude for your support of music; not just for the music program at Fort Mill High School, but music throughout our community, our state and our nation. Together we can make a difference. Together we are making a difference! Your son or daughter and all the members of our musical family are the benefactors.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy holiday season are extended to you and yours. Let us begin the New Year with a renewed commitment to music in our schools, especially as we open a new high school in Fort Mill. Through music our students are allowed to live a rich life filled with expression, appreciation and creative growth.

MAKE A JOYFUL SOUND!

Happy holidays,

Martin Dickey





Assistance Needed

Fort Mill High School to host several events over the next few months!!!

CIPA Event

On Saturday, **February 17th**, the Fort Mill Color Guard will host a CIPA guard competition at the high school. We are looking for volunteers to help in all areas – coordinate/chair event, parking, concessions, registration, clean-up, and more. We can also use donations of soda (Pepsi or Coke products) and water for our concession stand and baked goods for our bake sale. Even though this is a guard/percussion event, all profits are used to support the entire band program.

Please respond via email at fmbandclub@comporium.net to volunteer.

Region Band Clinic

The Fort Mill High School will host the region band clinic on Friday and Saturday, **February 23rd & 24th**. The Blue & Gold Band Club will be responsible for providing hospitality to the visiting band directors, assistance to all the clinicians, aid for visiting students and a small concession stand throughout the two day event.

If you are interested with assisting at this event, please contact **Kathy Krieger** at 803-548-6946 or via email at ckrieger@comporium.net.

Coming Spring 2007

The Blue and Gold Band Club will be holding its annual Spring fundraiser event in a few months. Last year, we hosted a combined Barbecue, Yard Sale & Silent Auction and we are looking for a chairperson to help define and coordinate this year's event. If interested, please contact Chris Krieger at ckrieger@comporium.net.

Stay Tuned for More Information Coming Soon!!!

Coming in Fall 2007

The city of Fort Mill, South Carolina will again be host to a BOA Fall Preview Event in **September of 2007**. Thanks again to everyone who made the 2006 event a success. We look forward to continuing that success next year!!!

Email from the Booster Club

If you would like to receive information via email from the booster club, please send a note to our the booster club's email address at fmbandclub@comporium.net so we can update and/or add your email address to the Fort Mill High School Band distribution list.

If you are not receiving email from the booster club and you should be, please make sure your anti-spam/email filtering program allows the email address of fmbandclub@comporium.net to reach your mailbox.



Hawaii Trip Payment Schedule

(rate is per person)

	<u>Student (\$1740)</u>	<u>Double-Tag (\$1980)</u>	<u>Single-Tag (\$2500)</u>
5/15	\$300	\$300	\$500
6/15	\$160		
7/15	\$160	\$420	\$500
8/15	\$160		
9/15	\$160	\$420	\$500
10/15	\$160		
11/15	\$160	\$420	\$500
12/15	\$160		
1/15	\$160	\$420**	\$500**
2/15	\$160**		

** Final payment may fluctuate slightly to reflect price adjustments.



2006-2007 Blue & Gold Band Club Board of Directors

For questions, information or volunteering opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the board. Email addresses can be found on the website – www.fortmillband.com - under the directory.

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Region Band Auditions



When: Saturday, January 20, 2007.
Time will be distributed to students once the auditions are scheduled.



Where: Dutch Fork High School – Columbia, SC

Who: Check with your child since participation is agreed upon with the student and the band directors.



All-State Call Back Band Auditions



When: Saturday, January 27, 2007.
Time will be distributed to students once the auditions are scheduled.

Where: Lexington High School – Lexington, SC

Who: Will be announced on South Carolina Band Link website after region band auditions.

More information and directions can be found at the South Carolina Band Link website at: <http://www.bandlink.org> (look for 2007 Region/All-State Band section)



Many Thanks!!!

THANK YOU



Thanks to everyone that took the time to sell fruit as well as help unload the truck (in the rain), sort the fruit and then load the boxes back into cars. Any points earned during this fundraising event will appear on the January student account statement.



FORT MILL HIGH SCHOOL BAND
PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2006-2007

<u>EVENT/ITEM</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Band Camp	5/30/06	\$50 or 25 pts
	7/15/06	\$100 or 50 pts
Fall Uniform	HS Registration	\$75 (collected by HS, no pts)
Instrument Maintenance	HS Registration	\$60 (collected by HS, no pts)
BOA Fees	9/1/06	\$200 or 100 pts
	10/1/06	\$50 or 25 pts
Marching Accessories	8/31/06	\$5 and up (no pts)
Fall Guard		
Equipment bag	8/20/06	\$20 (no pts)
Uniform	8/20/06	\$100 (no pts)
	10/31/06	\$45 (no pts)
Wind suit	11/1/06	\$55 (no pts)
Hoodies	11/15/06	\$25 (no pts)
Shoes	1/15/07	\$33 (no pts)
Concert Dress (New)	1/15/07	\$67.50 (no pts)
Concert Dress (Used)	1/15/07	\$40 (no pts)
Region Band	12/1/06	\$7 (no pts)
Open Guard	1/15/07	\$250 or 125 pts
	2/15/07	\$250 or 125 pts
	3/15/07	\$250 or 125 pts
	4/15/07	\$250 or 125 pts
"A" Guard	1/15/07	\$200 or 100 pts
	2/15/07	\$200 or 100 pts
	3/15/07	\$200 or 100 pts
	4/15/07	\$150 or 75 pts
Percussion Ensemble	12/4/06	\$100 or 50 pts
	1/15/07	\$100 or 50 pts
	2/15/07	\$100 or 50 pts
	3/15/07	\$100 or 50 pts

Please detach and return with payment to:

Blue & Gold Band Club, Inc. (B&GBC)
P.O. Box 611, Fort Mill, SC 29716

OR Have band members place payment in mailbox just inside Mr. Dickey's office

Student Name: _____

Payment Information/Method/Amount

Event/Item: _____

Cash Amount: _____

Point Amount: _____

Check Amount: _____

Check #: _____



Important Dates

Dates and times are subject to change. Please visit the band's website – www.fortmillband.com - for the most current schedule.



December

21 (Thu)	Half Day of School
22-29 (Fri-Fri)	No School – Winter Break
25 (Mon)	No Band Booster Club Meeting – HAPPY HOLIDAYS

January

1-2 (Mon-Tue)	No School – Winter Break
15 (Mon)	No School – Martin Luther King Holiday
20 (Sat)	Region Band Auditions (Dutch Fork HS – Columbia, SC)
27 (Sat)	All-State Band Call Back Auditions (Lexington HS – Lexington, SC)
29 (Mon)	Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm – Fort Mill HS Band Room)

February

16-19 (Fri-Mon)	No School – President's Weekend
17 (Sat)	CIPA Event (Fort Mill HS – Fort Mill, SC)
23-24 (Fri-Sat)	Region Band Clinic (Fort Mill HS – Fort Mill, SC)
26 (Mon)	Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 PM – Fort Mill HS Band Room)

March

9-11 (Fri-Sun)	All-State Band Clinic (Furman University – Greenville, SC)
16-19 (Fri-Mon)	No School
26 (Mon)	Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm – Fort Mill HS Band Room)
27-29 (Tue-Thu)	Concert Band Festival (TBD)

April

5 or 6 – 12 or 13	Hawaii Trip
6-13 (Fri-Fri)	No School – Spring Break
21 (Sat)	FMHS Prom
27-28 (Fri-Sat)	Solo/Ensemble Festival (TBD)
30 (Mon)	Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm – Fort Mill HS Band Room)

May

22 (Tue)	Half Day of School
23 (Wed)	Last Day of School – Half Day
26 (Sat)	Graduation – BAND WILL PLAY (REQUIRED)
28 (Mon)	Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm – Fort Mill HS Band Room)

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Next Booster Club Meeting – Monday, January 29, 2007

7:30 PM – Fort Mill High School Band Room

Booster Club Meetings Are The Last Monday of the Month!!!

~~~ NO MEETING IN DECEMBER ~~~

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Dutch Fork HS – Columbia, SC

All-State Call Back Auditions

Saturday, January 27th

Lexington HS – Lexington, SC