

Instrumental Music Association Easton Area High School 4/26 - 5/01/21



Weekly Newsletter

Week at a Glance									
Monday 4/26 A Day	Tuesday 4/27 B Day	Wednesday 4/28 A Day		Thursday 4/29 B Day	Friday 4/30 A Day				
Last Names A - K are in person for hybrid	Last Names A - K are in person for hybrid	Remote Learning for all students		Last Names L - Z are in person for hybrid	Last Names L - Z are in person for hybrid				
Clarinet Sectional 2:45 - 4:00 PM	Flute Sectional 3:00 - 4:30 PM	Band Council 6:40 AM		Chamber Strings 5:00 - 6:30 PM	Trombone/ Baritone 3:00 - 4:30 PM				
Tuba Sectional 6:00 - 8:00 PM	Jazz Band 6:00 - 8:30 PM	Trumpet Sectional 3:30 - 5:00 PM							
Guard Clinic 5:00 - 7:30 PM		Guard Sectional 5:00 - 7:30 PM							
		Drum Major Clinic 6:00 - 7:00 PM Flower Coupon Pick Up 5:30 - 7:00 PM							
Saturday 5/01			Sunday 5/02						
Marching Percussion Sectional 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM									

Next Week (5/03 - 5/08/21)								
Monday 5/03	Tuesday 5/04	Wednesday 5/05		Thursday 5/06	Friday 5/07			
BEGIN: Pizza Fundraiser		Orchestra Council 6:40 AM		Flute Sectional 3:00 - 4:30 PM	Full Orchestra Rehearsal 4:00 - 8:00 PM			
Mellophone Sectional 3:00 - 4:30 PM		Guard Clinic 5:00 - 7:30 PM		Saxophone Sectional 3:15 - 4:45 PM				
				Guard Sectional 5:00 - 7:30 PM				
				Chamber Strings 5:00 - 6:30 PM				
Saturday 5/08			Sunday 5/09					
Flower/ Coupon Pick Up 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM								

SPRING CONCERT INFORMATION

Please click on the correct corresponding Google Document to learn about dates, times and more for both our orchestra & band concerts/ rehearsals. Please note, there will be audience limits for the number of spectators available to watch performances. Both events will also be livestreamed.

Orchestra Information Band Information

Band students also have sectionals planned by their section leaders. This information has already been conveyed to students. A listing of all sectional times can be found here:

Sectional Times - MARCHING BAND

** **Percussionists** have their first sectional scheduled for Saturday, May 01 from 10:00 - 1:00 PM ** **Strings** (grades 09 - 12) have their second string sectional scheduled for Wednesday, May 12 from 3:30 - 5:00 PM

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in helping at fundraisers, chaperoning, or working to organize events? If so, please contact Jason Alley (IMA vice president) at $\underline{vp@eahsmusic.org}$. It takes many people to help us be successful - there is a place for everyone in our organization.

If interested in helping with band uniform fittings for Spring events, please sign up here using the sign up genius.



Questions? Contact Jen McEvoy at uniforms@eahsmusic.org.

2021 EAHS DRUM CLINIC

Families of percussionists:

<u>Information regarding our 2021 EAHS Drum Clinic can be found within this message</u>. This is for all percussionists for the 2021 - 2022 school year (including battery & pit).

This year, we are excited to welcome **two new clinicians**: Cody Gross (West Chester University) & Sean Rode (West Chester University & Cadets Drum & Bugle Corps)

This clinic is held to establish a technique routine for the upcoming season, conduct part assignments, and begin playing/ getting to know one another as a line. Attendance at the clinics is mandatory. Please reach out directly to Mr. Ballentine with any questions or concerns.

SUMMER 2021 SCHEDULE

Please view the attached document for a tentative summer schedule, including our strings camp & band camp.



- FUNDRAISING SECTION -

Spring Flower Sale

Coupons are in! Thank you to all those who participated in our spring flower sale.

Coupons can be picked up Wednesday, April 28 between 5:30 - 7:00 PM outside the instrumental music room at EAHS.

The physical flowers & coupons can also be picked up on Saturday, May 08 between 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at EAHS.

Shop with Scrip!

How it works:

You buy gift cards for over 750 retailer brands at which you already shop and earn a rebate on every gift card you purchase **<u>at face value</u>**. This rebate goes right to our organization.

For families already using Shop with Scrip, THANK YOU!

For families who may be interested in supporting the IMA through this opportunity, please visit <u>www.eahsmusic.org</u> to learn more. Our NEW enrollment code is: A865B1FD6339L

Families who are currently using Shop with Scrip do NOT need to change their enrollment code. This is only for NEW participants.

If you have any questions about how this program works, please reach out to Jim Mattison at scrip@eahsmusic.org.

Amazon SMILE - Support the IMA while you shop!

Help raise funds for the IMA when you shop at smile.amazon.com.

How does it work?

- 1. Begin shopping at smile.amazon.com.
- 2. If you're not already, sign in with your Amazon credentials.
- 3. From the "pick your own charitable organization," enter "Instrumental Music Association" and choose "Easton, PA."
- 4. Press "select" and begin shopping AND helping to raise money for the IMA!

NEXT IMA MEETING: Wednesday, May 12 7:00 PM







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Easton Area High School "Red Rover" Marching Band 2021 Percussion Clinic Information

Percussion students & families:

As we begin to prepare for the upcoming school year, we are going to be holding an in-person drum clinic for ALL percussionists entering grades 9 - 12 for the 2021 - 2022 school year. This drum clinic is the first time we begin practicing together as a unit. In addition to getting to know one another, we will also unify our technique, work on marching and playing fundamentals, begin our show music, and set part assignments. Attendance at this clinic is mandatory.

This year's clinic will feature two new clinicians:

Cody Gross (battery) – West Chester University Sean Rhode (pit) – West Chester University/ Cadets Drum & Bugle Corps



Please review the following details regarding the clinic:

Dates & Times:

Thursday, June 17, 20212:00 - 8:00 p.m.Friday, June 18, 20219:00 - 3:00 p.m.

You should plan to arrive at minimum 15 minutes prior to the start of rehearsal. "To be early is to be on time." Students who have a conflict with the clinic dates & times should email Mr. Ballentine as soon as possible.



What to expect at the clinics:

The clinics will teach you every skill you need to know. You should bring/wear the following:

- 1) Mask
- 2) Water
- 3) Sneakers
- 4) Comfortable clothing
- 5) Sticks/ Mallets
- 3-Ring Binder with plastic sheets inside (you will put your music in these at the clinic)
- 7) Pencil



Health & Safety Protocols:

Please review the following procedures that will be in place for the clinic:

- Students will be at least 6 feet apart at all times.
- Students will wear masks at all times.
- Students must have water with them. Students without water will not be permitted to remain at practice.
- Students will complete a health questionnaire prior to arrival. Upon arrival, students will have their temperatures taken.

