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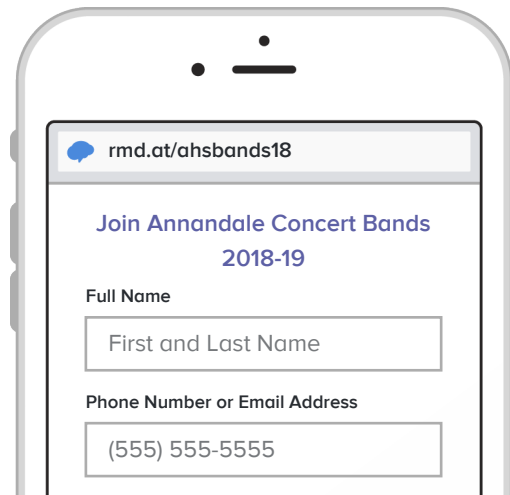
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## Annandale Bands Update – 12/3/2018

Hello Annandale Band Families,

**Director's Notes:**

It has been a while since the last update! I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and that the students are off to a good start in their classes as we near the midpoint of the second quarter.

**Fall Fundraiser – Delivery this week!**

Thank you to everyone who sold items for this year's fall fundraiser. Please be sure to deliver the products to those you sold to. The citrus was delivered today and is ready for pick-up in the band room. The poinsettias will be delivered Wednesday and can be picked up after school.

**All-District Band Auditions**

All-District Band Auditions are this Saturday, December 8, at West Potomac High School. Audition times and information are posted for the students in the Wind Ensemble Google Classroom. Other students received their information via email. Please plan to arrive 20-30 minutes before your audition time window.

**After-School Dress Rehearsals**

"Dress" rehearsals for the winter concert will be held after school Wednesday, December 12 (White Day), on stage. Concert Band will rehearse from 3:15 to 4 p.m., Symphonic Band will rehearse from 4 – 4:45, and Wind Ensemble will rehearse from 4:45 – 5:30 p.m. Please plan accordingly. Students in Concert Band and Symphonic Band can ride the late bus home.

**Concert**

The Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Wind Ensemble will perform on the concert on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Tuxedo accessories should arrive later this week. Please make sure your concert attire is hemmed and ready to go.

**Fees**

Updated account statements were emailed today. I will be handing out hard copies to students in class over the next couple of days. These statements cover everything except class fees for concert band classes, those can be checked and paid through MySchoolBucks. Please contact me with questions.

**Marching Band Photos**

Looking for a great gift for your relatives? The individual portraits, group photos, and photos from the field taken by our professional photographer (my father) are available for purchase in many different formats including various sizes and items like buttons and mugs. Proceeds of sales are donated to AHSBB. Items can be viewed and purchased at <http://paul.photostockplus.com/event/2965303/>

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## **This Week's Schedule**

Monday – Citrus delivered and available for pick-up after school

Tuesday – Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal – 3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Wednesday – Poinsettias delivered and available for pick-up after school

Thursday – Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal – 3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Friday – Don't forget to take your instrument for ADB auditions! Band room closed after school.

Saturday – All-District Band Auditions @ West Potomac H.S.

## **Band Calendar**

The most accurate calendar is available at [www.annandalebands.org](http://www.annandalebands.org). If you have a google account, you can add our calendar to yours and then view it on your computer or mobile device. Directions on how to add a calendar to yours:

You can only add a calendar using a link if the other person's calendar is public.

1. On your computer, open [Google Calendar](#).
2. On the left, above "My Calendars," click Add + > From URL.
3. Enter the calendar's address in the field provided. The address needs to be an [ICAL link](#).
4. Click Add Calendar. The calendar will appear on the left side under "Other calendars."

Note: It might take up to 12 hours for changes to show in your Google Calendar.

The AHS Bands Calendar link is:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/b/2?cid=YWhzYXRvbXNiYW5kQGdtYWIsLmNvbQ>

## **Social Media**

We're on Instagram (@AHSatomsBand)! We have 524 "likes" on our Facebook page and 287 followers on Twitter (@AHSatomsBand)! Have you followed us yet? Links to our pages are on our website, [www.annandalebands.org](http://www.annandalebands.org) "Like" us today!

## **On the horizon:**

*See full, most up-to-date calendar at [www.annandalebands.org](http://www.annandalebands.org)*

December 12 – After-school rehearsals for concert

December 13 – Band Concert

January 11 & 12 – Winter Concert Band Clinics for Wind Ensemble & Symphonic Band

Thank you, always, for your support and go Atoms!

-Joseph Witkowski

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