

DCSD Music Notes September 2024

Hello! Each month during the school year, our PreK-12 Dansville Music Department will be sharing with you a newsletter, so you are aware of what we are learning and performing in our classrooms and to also share with you important dates, reminders, etc. Please reach out to any of us if you have any music related questions or concerns!



PreK - 2 Music | Mr. Lopez | lopezn@dansvillecsd.org

Our students at DPS have been hard at work practicing keeping a steady beat and working on rhythm patterns! They've also been learning some instruments, with our 4PK and Kindergarteners learning the egg shaker, and our 1st and 2nd graders learning the rhythm sticks!

EBH (Grades 3 - 6) Music and EBH Chorus | Mr. Lopez | lopezn@dansvillecsd.org

Our students at EBH are hard at work developing their aural skills by working on their solfège tonal patterns, and have started to learn about some elements of music. Our 3rd and 4th graders have started to learn how music can be used for expression, and our 5th and 6th graders have been learning how changing musical elements can change how a song sounds!



EBH Band (4th Grade Beginning Band and 5th and 6th Grade Band)

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The EBH 5/6 Band worked tirelessly for three weeks on their marching and music. They proudly represented their building in this year's homecoming parade and look forward to our continued growth and success.

7th and 8th Grade Band/7th Grade General Music | Mrs. Irwin | irwine@dansvillecsd.org

The 7th and 8th Grade Band is doing an outstanding job this school year! They have been hard at work learning and memorizing their Fall marching song, "Seven Nation Army"! Lessons are in full swing and we have been getting back into practicing Major scales, solos for upcoming Solo Festivals and lesson book exercises. Our students are excited, eager and enthusiastic for the year ahead! Please encourage your child to practice each week at home, even if for a little bit. In 7th Grade General Music classes, students have been reviewing rhythm and learning to apply this to bucket drumming in the classroom. It was so nice to see so many out and about at the Homecoming Parade! We always look forward to performing for our school and community!



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9th - 12th Grade Band/Drumline/Music Exploratory Class

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Before the start of the school year, the 9th - 12th Grade Band had two successful band workshop rehearsals. Since then, rehearsals have continued for our first field show performances on September 20th and September 27th. The marching band and drumline are working extensively during and after the school day to have music memorized and performance-ready. Be sure to catch our senior Drum Major, Arabella Fronk, leading the marching band this year! We look forward to seeing you all at our Cohocton parade on 10/5, Halloween parade on 10/31, and our last Field Show on 11/1!



7th - 12th Grade Chorus/Music

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Chamber Singers is a select, audition-only group made up of 9-12 grade students.

Currently, we are preparing for multiple events including Homecoming, the Wall of Pride Ceremony, Winter in the Village and our own Winter Concert. Come join us on

December 18th at the High School at 7:00 pm! The High School Chorus

participated in their first "Fun Friday" where we do team bonding, theater games, stress management activities, etc. Our game was called "Newspaper Characters!". Each group was assigned a familiar character and had to create their outfit out of newspaper on their model. No tape, glue or scissors were allowed!

