

DCSD Music Notes

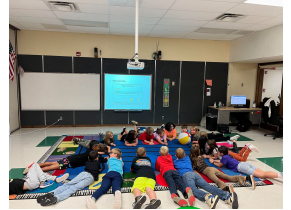
October 2024

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 working very hard during the month! The students at DPS began reading music notation and have been playing rhythms on instruments like the rhythm sticks and egg shakers. They have also started to explore their singing voices with tonic and dominant harmonic patterns, and have been learning Autumn songs. Our 1st and 2nd graders recently learned the difference between major and minor. Have them tell you the difference between major and minor!

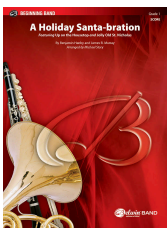


EBH (Grades 3 - 6) Music and EBH Chorus | Mr. Lopez | lopezn@dansvillecsd.org

Our students at EBH have been working hard, too. They have begun reading notation with beat, beat division, and even some beat subdivision! Not only that, our 5th and 6th graders have been experimenting with writing their own rhythm patterns with beats, beat division, beat elongation, and even some beat subdivision, then playing them on bucket drums. Our students have also been learning solfege and the hand signs for the notes. As for our 5th/6th grade chorus members, they have been doing a great job beginning to learn the music for our upcoming concert on January 16th.



EBH Band (4th Grade Beginning Band and 5th and 6th Grade Band) Mrs. Bell | bellm@dansvillecsd.org



EBH 5/6 Band students have been hard at work learning notes, rhythms, and articulations to their Winter Concert pieces. Many percussionists have begun playing on instruments that they've not touched before and are making amazing gains. I'm so proud of the work they've accomplished thus far and am looking forward to the coming weeks! Our 4th grade beginning band students have been mastering how to assemble their instruments, make beginning sounds, and articulate using both separated and connected styles. Their eagerness to succeed drives them to accomplish more and more each day. Way to go 4th grade musicians!

Goals

- I can **sing Minor Duple**; the song and the bass line.
- I can properly hold my instrument.
- I can **play Bb-DO on my full instrument**.

Schedule:

- Learn Minor Duple
- Position and posture (hold)
- First note - DO
- Singing Patterns

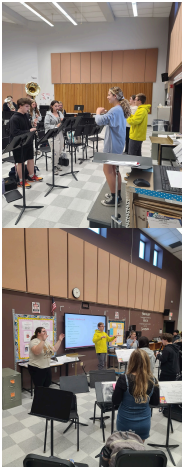


7th and 8th Grade Band/7th Grade General Music |

Mrs. Irwin | irwine@dansvillecsd.org

The 7th and 8th Grade Band is well on their way to learning their Holiday Concert music! They are working hard on three songs that they will perform at their concert on Wednesday, December 18th: "Santa Rocks the House", "Holiday Bell Carol" and "Bobsled Run". Students have been mainly learning the notes and rhythms in these songs, but we are now starting to add dynamics (forte - loud and piano - soft) and articulations (staccato - short, slurs, accents, etc.). Please check out the 7th and 8th Grade Band Newsletter for upcoming events, etc. 7th Grade General Music students have been learning about music literacy - speaking, writing and reading music.





9th - 12th Grade Band/Drumline/Music Exploratory Class | Ms. Johnson | johnsonj@dansvillecsd.org

The 9-12th Concert Band has been working hard on their upcoming parade and final field show of the year! The concert band will perform in the Halloween parade on 10/31 and the football game on 11/1. Be sure to check out the parade on Church Street and be on the lookout for everyone's Halloween costumes! The concert band has also elected board members of their own - Concert Band President: Arabella Fronk. Vice President: David Sick. Secretary: Cole Thompson. Librarian: Isaiah Goins. In the meantime, we are holding auditions for the next Drum Major to lead the next field show. The Drumline has been preparing for the Primary School Halloween parade with their own arrangement of the "Halloween" theme! Students composed their own percussion notation to accompany the main theme. Music Exploratory classes are practicing how to count rhythm and keep a steady beat with spooky rhythm poems!



7th - 12th Grade Chorus/Music Theater Director | Mrs. Buckel | buckell@dansvillecsd.org

On Saturday, October 19th, the chamber singers performed at the Wall of Pride induction ceremony. We were honored to be able to celebrate our inductees with beautiful music!

Each month, Mrs. Buckel chooses two students out of the junior high chorus to honor as students of the month. These two individuals show hard work, focus, positivity, and kindness. For September, we celebrated Haylee Rigdon (pictured on the left) and Josie LaBell (pictured on the right)!



Tri-M Music Honor Society || Induction Ceremony || Tuesday, October 22nd, 2024

(Front Row, Left to Right) Madison Kunes, Johanna Huey, Avalyn Hall, Brett George, Arabella Fronk, Miriam Corbett, Natalie Bovee, Lily Barron, Rebecca Pogel (President), Grace Rechichi (Vice President)

(Back Row, Left to Right) Elianna Woodard, Wyatt Swift, David Sick, Joslyn Morrow, Abigail Malone, Emma Mackey, Morgan MacIntyre, Olivia Miller (Secretary), Abigail Kendall (Treasurer), Arianna Billups (Historian) (Not Pictured: Kaelyn Oliver)