

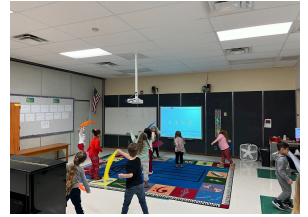
DCSD Music Notes December 2024

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 making plenty of music! This month, we took a look at Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite and learned all about form in music with it. Students have been dancing to show different parts of a form, as well as learning a new instrument, the sleigh bells! We hope you have a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to more music making in the new year!



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

Our students at EBH have also been hard at work. Our 3rd and 4th graders began to explore the differences in duple and triple meter. They have also been experimenting with creating and performing their own rhythm patterns for the class! Our 5th and 6th grade students have begun learning about harmony and different types of chords through Solfege and boomwhackers. Our 5th and 6th Grade Chorus is continuing to work on their winter concert music! We hope you join us on January 16th for our concert! 4th grade chorus and some 3rd grade students also had the opportunity to sing Christmas carols at the Winter at the Village Festival earlier this month! They did a fantastic job and brought a lot of holiday cheer! We hope you have a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to more music making in the new year!



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

EBH 4-6 Band students are in a festive mood. Members from the 5/6 band went around the Primary and EBH buildings spreading holiday cheer while 4th grade band students learned how to play Jingle Bells. These students are working hard and having fun doing it! Way to go musicians! Have a great holiday :)



Happy Holidays from the Dansville Music Department!

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



What a busy month of December the 7th and 8th Grade Band has had! From ringing the Salvation Army Bell at Tops and the Town Hall, to a trip to the Rochester Auditorium Theater to see “How the Grinch Stole Christmas”, to performing at the Star Theater for Winter in the Village, to an outstanding Winter Concert - the 7th and 8th Graders have been very active in and around the Dansville community! Our 7th and 8th Grade Band is a very eager, enthusiastic and dedicated group of students! Way to go! 7th Grade General Music students have been hard at work writing a research paper on their favorite music genre. The most popular genre is country!



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



The 9-12 Concert Band and Drumline have been preparing for the Winter Concert on December 18th @ 7pm. The percussion is excited to perform their feature in “Brazilian Bell Carol” while the winds and brass are excited to share their technical skills in “Wizards in Winter”. Additionally, the Drumline performed in the Winter in the Village parade with rhythmic twists on “Carol of the Bells” and “Jingle Bells”. 9th grade students who auditioned for JH All-County back in November have been selected to

participate in the JH Band! Students selected are: Collin Wilson, Marcus Sage, Dawson Hermann. Additionally, in Music Exploratory, Lindsey White has been selected as Mustang of the Month. Congratulations!!



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



JH Chorus: The JH music department had a busy December as we prepared for our winter concert as well as a lot of extra activities. Students went to the West Herr Auditorium theater to see “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” and also volunteered to ring the bell at tops. Our winter concert went beautifully with wonderful performances by all. We wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season!



HS Chorus: The HS Chorus was also busy preparing for their winter concert. On top of that, our Tri-M Music Honor Society members traveled to Morgan Estates in Geneseo to sing for the residents. We had a wonderful time sharing some holiday favorites and even getting everyone to sing along with us!



Musical: We’re working our way through learning all our choreography and music! This show is difficult but rewarding. Everyone is working hard and costumes are starting to come in! We wrapped up the holiday season with a secret Santa exchange between the cast, crew, and pit members!