



MUSIC NEWS TO NOTE

Welcome to our monthly newsletter presented by the Fairfield Tempo Club. Our hope is to provide readers a brief overview of events occurring across the entire Music Department, showcase our student musicians, and coordinate volunteerism.



It's been another busy month in the Music Department! We LOVE our kids and directors!

This month you'll find highlights from the OMEA competitions, show choir showcase and competition, all-state preparation, and recruitment.

Please continue to volunteer for upcoming events as your time permits. Our programs require all-hands on deck to be successful!

UPCOMING EVENTS

2/2 to 2/5/2023 - OMEA Conference, Columbus, Ohio
Friday, 2/10/2023 - Winter Play at FHS PAC
Friday, 2/10/2023 - Middle School Show Choir @ Loveland Showfest
Sat, 2/11/2023 - Solo & Ensemble; Lakota West HS - 7:00 pm
Tues, 2/14/2023 - Crossroads MS 7th & 8th Grade Band Concert
Thurs, 2/16/2023 - Orchestra Concert (9-12) in FHS PAC - 7:00 pm
Fri, 2/17 & Sat, 2/18/2023 - State Orchestra Concert
Fri, 2/17 - Sun, 2/19/2023 - Show Choirs @ Chesterton Trojan Classic (IN)
Tues, 2/21/2023 - Band Chamber Winds & Wind Ensemble Concert in FHS PAC - 7:00 pm
Thurs, 2/23/2023 - Freshman Bands & HS Concert Winds Concert in FHS PAC - 7:00 pm
Thurs, 2/23 - Sun, 2/26/2023 - ACDA National Conference, Cincinnati
Sat, 2/25/2023 - MS School Orchestra Solo & Ensemble; Crossroads - 9:00 am
Sat, 2/25/2023 - High School Show Choirs at Ross Legacy Championship
Tues, 2/28/2023 - Choral Concert (9-12) in FHS PAC - 7:00 pm
Mon, 3/6/2023 - Marching Band Dine to Donate @ both Chick-Fil-As; 5-8 pm

The OMEA District 13 Honor Band & Jazz Band competition was held 1/13-1/15. Congratulations to the students who auditioned & made this select group. They learned an entire concert of music in 10 hours and then gave a public performance on the last day.

Congratulations to Ari Coxhead, Aiden Harbaum and Tyler Warner who participated in District XIII Honor Jazz Band! Congratulations also to Nathan Barkley, Heather Bromwell, Aiden Brown, Madison Fetherland, Landon Ford, Ben Litteken, Kayla Lovell, Max Marquette, Violet Miller, Luke Minnick, Aiden Neace, Nick Petrosky, Harlan Powell, Lucy Reed, Brandon Reese, Delia Sparks, Samantha Staggs, Kosuke Thyagaraj, Sarah Alhulu, Ari Coxhead, Natalia Delgado, Jonah Ficklin, Zach Fisher, Claire Lally, Cheyanne Marion, McKenna Martin, Joey Olivo, Ben Reese, Julia Schuster, Joseph Thibault, Milo Troup, Tyler Warner, Lucas Gagen, Travis Jones, Caden McCollum, Rylan Palmer, Michiko Russell-Wood, Lillian Scott, William Stewart, Brooke Thibault, Kyla Tillman, & Samuel Williams who performed in the District XIII

Honor Bands!



BAND



Congratulations to Caden McCollum who was selected as Principal Bass Clarinet of the Ohio All-State Band! This means that Caden was selected as the very BEST bass clarinet player in the state of Ohio! The ensemble performed at the Ohio Music Education Association Convention in Columbus on February 4th.

The start of quarter three finds things humming right along in ORCHESTRA LAND! First, congratulations are in order for our students who were selected to participate in the OMEA District 13 Honors Orchestra. This event increased our students' instrumental technique, musicianship, and ensemble skills. The weekend culminated in a concert directed by locally renowned music educators David Smarelli and Lynn Denny. Congratulations to 9th graders Desirae Wong, Kasinda Willingham, Kallea Willingham, Armani Doakes, & Cindy Perez; Crossroads Middle Schoolers Kyndle Ledbetter, Brooke Buelter, Michael Clark, Anabel Sweeney, Stacy Villo, & Kaden Theile; and Creekside Middle Schoolers Kylie Ford, Ellie Schuka, Christopher Alhilu, Marley Burns, Emily Nguyen, & Jeffrey Skinner. Additionally, the following orchestra students were honored with the positions of front stand section leaders: Stacey Villo, Emily Nguyen, Armani Doakes, Cindy Perez, Kyndle Ledbetter, Kallea Willingham, & Kaden Theile.

OMEA

ORCHESTRA



Chamber Club has been very active lately with many students preparing for the OMEA High School Solo & Ensemble competition. Of special note are the following members: Mara Seppala, Nathanael Smith, Dylan Vanderpool and Kyle Ledbetter who are preparing the first movement of Borodin's second quartet for competition!

Finally, Mara Seppala and Dylan Vanderpool will be traveling to Columbus, Ohio soon to participate in the All-State Orchestra. All State is the highest achievement possible by a high school string player, and these two amazing musicians are very deserving for all the hard work they have done!



The Show Choir season kicked off with First Look where the groups performed their competition shows for the first time to a local audience. The 30 seniors & their families were honored while several of the seniors performed solos. The following weekend the show choirs and Vocal Impact competed at the Franklin Community Showfest.

Seniors



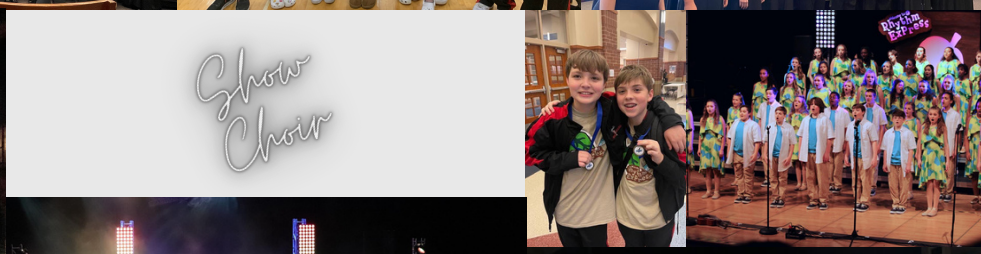
Vocal Impact



GRAND CHAMPIONS
RHYTHM EXPRESS



Show Choir



CHOIR



The music department staff visited the elementary schools to educate and excite the 5th grade students about music education options at the middle school.



WE NEED YOU!



The **25th** celebration of Crystal Classic is quickly approaching on March 17 & 18th, 2023! We'll need everyone's help to make this annual event a huge success. Please review the Sign Up link and choose an area you are interested in.

EXPECTATIONS: Each show choir family is required to **work a total of 8 hours over Friday &/or Saturday. You can choose longer or shorter assignments as long as you fulfill your 8 hours. Please note: These hours are separate from tech week setup shifts (Mon-Thurs).**

We are also happy to welcome volunteers from any other program that would like to assist; you don't have to be in show choir :0)

JOIN THE PARTY!



Or type this in your browser:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BABA723A7FDCE9-crystal>

Questions about volunteering? Reach out to Shannon Beal or Gretchen Radler at tempoclubpr@gmail.com.