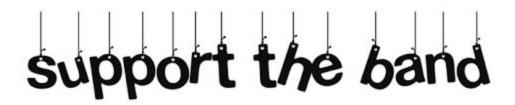




STHS Band Program Weekly Newsletter Monday 8/24/2020 - Sunday 8/30/2020



Dine Out with STMAA

Panda Express



Wednesday, August 26, 11:30am-8:30pm

Please help support the Santa Teresa Music and Arts (STMAA) Program and enjoy a delicious drink or food items from their menu.

Where: Panda Express at 5720 Cottle Rd. San Jose, Ca. 95123

When: Wednesday, August 26 from 11:30am-8:30pm

20% goes to the STHS Band!! WOW!!

Show them the flyer and mention STHS Band Panda Express Flyer

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Emailing Mr. Sanchez

Due to the amount of emails Mr. Sanchez is receiving during the distance learning model, responses may be delayed. Expect a response within 48 hours. Thank you for understanding.

2020-2021 Ensemble CONTRIBUTIONS



See below for this year's contributions.

Credit/Debit card payments can be made via Charms (preferred). However, you can mail a check to the band program-

Payable to STMAA at PO Box 23761, San Jose, Ca. 95153.

GROUP	CONTRIBUTION	9/1/20	10/1/20	11/1/20	12/1/20	1/1/21	2/1/21
Marching Band/Colorguar d	\$300	\$100	\$100	\$100			
Concert Band	\$125			\$125			
Symphonic Band	\$125			\$125			
Wind Ensemble	\$150			\$150			
Jazz	\$150						\$150
Winter Guard	\$300				\$100	\$100	\$100
Combos	\$100						\$100

^{*}Some families find it easier to break down the contribution payments into smaller increments throughout the season (ie. \$25 per week, etc).

Contributions for Marching Band/Colorguard will cover music, subscriptions, software, choreography, and instructors.

Should you have any questions regarding the contributions or wish to work out an alternative arrangement, please feel free to reach out to the STMAA Treasurer at 1stmaatreasurer@gmail.com.

<u>Instructional Login Information</u>





Practice Records are due on Monday's (Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, Concert and Symphonic Bands). Look on google classroom for fillable pdf. Parents: please confirm on Sunday nights that the hours practiced that the students entered are happening.



Google Classroom:

On Monday, August 10th, Mr. Sanchez sent the google classroom class code for you to access your music class. He will mainly use Google Classroom to enter most assignments during the school year. You may access Google Classroom here.

If you did not receive it, please contact Mr. Sanchez sanchezra@esuhsd.org



SmartMusic: https://www.smartmusic.com/

SmartMusic participation will count towards your grade

STHS Band program will use SmartMusic for the 2020-2021 school year. Students will have a SmartMusic account. Mr. Sanchez will assign students technical and rhythmic exercises, scales, solo, chamber, and virtual band assignments during the semester. He will extract our final recordings (recorded on SmartMusic) of these pieces and combine them to have a "Virtual Band performance". You may use your smartphone, tablet, chrome book, or any computer to record yourself on SmartMusic (no external microphone needed).

Returning students: You already have an account

New Students: You will need to make an account https://www.smartmusic.com/



Remind

Sign up for important updates:

3rd Period Symphonic Band Instructions: https://www.remind.com/join/stsym

4th Period Wind Ensemble instructions: https://www.remind.com/join/stwind

5th Period Music Appreciation instructions: https://www.remind.com/join/6367h8

6th Period Concert Band instructions: https://www.remind.com/join/stconc

6th Period Jazz Band 1 instructions: https://www.remind.com/join/stjaz

Charms Log-On



The Santa Teresa band program utilizes <u>Charms</u> for multiple activities related to the band program such as distributing music and forms to the students and handling parent donations.

It is essential that students login to charms to obtain critical class information

Returning Students: Due to Charms updates, returning students may be asked to change their password if they haven't logged in recently. Just follow the prompts to complete the change. Notify your parents of the new password.

**REMEMBER: there is only one login password for each student account. You must share that password with your parents/guardians if they want to be able to log in and do things like make donations.

If you don't remember your password, use the Forgot Password option on the login screen and follow the prompts.

New students: Go to Charms

Click the **LogIn** button.

Select Parents/Students/Members tab.

Enter the school code **sthsband**.

Your password is your school ID number (it's the same as your OGSD ID if you attended middle school locally). You will have to change it the first time you log in.

**REMEMBER: there is only one login password for each student account. You must share that password with your parents/guardians if they want to be able to log in and do things like make donations.

<u>Parents -</u> If you change the password, please make sure to notify your student. It is critical that students be able to login to download forms, music, and perform other activities related to class.

FREE CLOTH FACE MASKS for band students, family, and friends at the Charms store!!

They are handmade cotton blend fabrics and are **FREE!!** They come in two sizes, two different fittings, many colors, a nose bridge wire for better fit, and a pocket to add more layers or a filter.

- -Log into Charms using the instructions above.
- -Follow video link below to learn how to purchase from the Charms store.

https://youtu.be/mmWn3iGDQ-o

STMAA Board

Next meeting Tuesday, September 8, 2020 7:00-9:00 pm Google Meets Meeting



All band parents are welcome to attend the Santa Teresa Music and Arts Association (STMAA) board meeting to hear of all the latest happenings within the band program. We have board and committee positions still open for the 2020-2021 school year:

Voting Board Positions Open:

Financial Secretary
Fundraising Director
Member at Large

Non-Voting Positions Open:

Food Chair/Committee Equipment Chair/Committee

Music Marathon Chair/Committee Pledge Parties Committee

Jazz Cafe Chair Travel Coordinator

Please let us know if you would like to attend by sending an email to <u>Secretary@SantaTeresaMusic.com</u> and we will have you added to the Google Meets meeting.

We hope you can attend!

The **STMAA** (Santa Teresa Music & Arts Association) is a non-profit organization staffed completely by volunteer band and color guard family members. Every band & guard member's family automatically becomes a member of the STMAA. With a few exceptions, all the benefits the band students enjoy throughout the school year are made possible by STMAA member's offerings of time, talent, and financial contributions. We appreciate and need your help throughout the entire year.

Questions or comments? Please allow 24 hours for a response as many of our STMAA board members work full-time jobs.

https://santateresamusic.com/stmaa-board/

Marching Band and Color Guard



<u>Virtual Rehearsal Schedule: (subject to change)</u>

Tuesday's: 3:30-5:30 pm

Wednesday's: 2:30-4:30 pm

Friday: 3:30-5:30 pm (Percussion Only)

Percussion and Color Guard: One extra rehearsal per week with Instructors.

**If you need an Instrument/Equipment/Flag/Rifle please contact Mr. Sanchez sanchezra@esuhsd.org to make an appointment to pick up.

i-Volunteer



i-Volunteer is the system the Santa Teresa band program uses to request volunteers for multiple purposes (Pledge Parties, Music in the Parks, Band Concerts, Marching Band Comps, FB games, etc). You can access i-Volunteer at this link to see the current volunteer requirements of the ST Band.

Students - keep in mind volunteering for the band program earns Varsity Points!

Mr. Sanchez's Classroom Wish List



- * Colored Paper
- * Hand Sanitizer
- * Disinfectant Wipes
- * White Paper (11x17)
- * Kleenex
- * Wood Pencils
- *Amazon Gift Cards (any amount)

Shopping on Amazon??



You can help the band program while shopping at Amazon!

Use this link (<u>www.smile.amazon.com</u>) from now on whenever you are shopping at Amazon from the web browser on your computer or mobile device.

-Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you can use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, wish list, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

-How do I select STMAA to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

On your first visit to "AmazonSmile" select (Santa Teresa Music and Arts, 6150 Snell Ave., San Jose, CA 95123) as your charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

Go to https://smile.amazon.com/about for full details.

A summary of all our opportunities to earn free money for STMAA check out this link.

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Board and Committee Chair Members
Facebook, Instagram, YouTube

Weekly Newsletters

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Communications...Who should I contact?



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