

Dear Crandall Band Parent,

The Crandall Fine Arts Department is proud to announce the 2010 Sounds of Spring Concert. We are happy to continue in the tradition of providing great musical performances to the Crandall Community.

The Sounds of Spring Concert will be held at Crandall High School on Tuesday, April 13. It will include performances from all of our middle school and high school bands, as well as our Jazz Band and Vocal Ensemble. The night will start with a dinner (chicken spaghetti) in the cafeteria at 5:30 PM. On-stage performances will start at approximately 5:30 PM where you'll enjoy the jazz band, vocal ensemble and various instrumental ensembles.

Tickets for the event are divided into two portions. Advance tickets for the performances are \$3. These tickets will be taken at the high school doors and are required for entrance. If you choose to wait and buy tickets at the door, the price will be \$5. Children age four and under are admitted for free. The dinner ticket is an additional \$5, and these tickets must be purchased in advance. The dinner line will open at 5:30 PM. and will remain open until at least 7:00 p.m., and those attending can arrive at their convenience. Of course, performing band members will be admitted for free, but will have to buy the \$5 ticket if they want to eat the dinner. We hope that many of our students' families will support the band by enjoying the delicious dinner while spending a great time together eating and watching fabulous performances.

The band performances will start in the gym at 7:00 PM. 6th grade band members must be in the gym for warm-up at 6:30 PM. 7th and 8th grade band members will meet in the high school gym at 7:00 PM and sit in their reserved section until it is their time to perform. Students must bring their own instrument and music to the high school for the event.

Band members will wear their new band shirts and khaki colored school approved pants (not shorts) to the performance. Their shirts will arrive in plenty of time for the concert. Students that have not paid their band dues from the fall will have to pay their balance before they are given their shirt. Students will not be permitted to perform in anything other than the required uniform.

As with all of our group performances, all band students are required to attend. All performances are a major part of our students' six weeks grades. In order to perform however, students must be eligible according to U.I.L. requirements. Therefore, students must pass all classes during the 4th marking period in order to perform. If a student didn't pass all classes in the 4th marking period, then they would have had to pass all classes at the following progress report. Students that are not eligible to attend will have an alternate assignment that will weigh the same on their marking period grade for band.

The Sounds of Spring Concert will be an incredible event that we hope will continue to be a long-lived Crandall tradition. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you,

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Other important dates to add to your calendars: March 31 – Symphonic Band UIL at Canton HS (for Symphonic Band members only) May 12 – 6th Grade Band Contest (more info coming soon) May 6 – Concert Band Contest (more info coming soon, also involves 7th grade symphonic band members)