



# Mighty Mule Band Newsletter

## January 15, 2021

Mighty Mule Band,

We are off to a good start to the spring semester. It is great to be playing music together and the color guard's winterguard show is coming together nicely. Please see the information below regarding UIL Concert and Sightreading Evaluation as it is different this year. I have also included information for those students who are participating in the UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest on February 20th.

### **UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest - 2/20/2021**

- Students signed up for this contest last week.
- This contest will occur at AHHS. The schedule will be sent out soon.
- The entry fee is \$8.00 for each solo and each player in an ensemble. So if you are playing just a solo or an ensemble, it is \$8, if you are doing a solo and an ensemble, it is \$16. Payable to AHISD
- If your solo needs an accompanist, we have Mrs. Wilson available. Most solos require an accompanist. The fee is \$40 for her to accompany your solo. You are allowed to use another accompanist if you know someone who is able to do it. Payable to AHISD

### **UIL Concert and Sightreading Evaluation**

- This is the event that usually takes place at another high school in our region. This year, it looks like we will be able to participate in the event here on our campus.
- The plans are not officially confirmed, but I expect that we will be able to record our contest program and sightreading performance, and then we will submit them to UIL for evaluation by the judges. We will have a window of dates to complete the recordings.
- UIL and copyright rules mandate that this recording must be from one camera. Therefore, only students who participate in-person at our rehearsals (during and/or before & after school) will be able to take part in the UIL evaluation.
- Along with the UIL evaluation, we will produce a performance of the UIL music that will include all students (Face to Face and Heights at Home). This performance will be similar to our holiday concert in which H@H students record themselves and we will compile them into a video performance.
- To be clear, if your child wants to take part in the UIL evaluation, they must participate in the rehearsals in-person before and after school. They will also be required to pass-off the music by completing playing tests for the band directors. This happens in other years.

- Students who do not come to the in-person rehearsals will be able to participate in the concert video described above, so all students will be able to perform the music in some way.

**Schedule** - <http://www.alamoheightsband.com/band-calendar.html>

**Monday, January 18 - MLK School Holiday**

Noon-4:00pm - Colorguard Rehearsal - AHHS

**Tuesday, January 19**

7:30-8:30am - Wind Ensemble Brass Sectional

3:15-4:30pm - Concert Band Woodwind Sectional

5:00-7:30pm - Colorguard Rehearsal - AHJS

**Wednesday, January 20**

7:30-8:30am - Symphonic Band Brass Sectional

5:00-7:30pm - Colorguard Rehearsal - AHJS

**Thursday, January 21**

7:30-8:30am - Wind Ensemble Woodwind Sectional

3:15-4:30pm - Concert Band Brass/Percussion Sectional

**Friday, January 22**

7:30-8:30am - Symphonic Band Woodwind Sectional

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**Monday, January 25**

5:00-7:30pm - Colorguard Rehearsal - AHJS

**Tuesday, January 26**

7:30-8:30am - Wind Ensemble Brass Sectional

3:15-4:30pm - Concert Band Woodwind Sectional

5:00-7:30pm - Colorguard Rehearsal - AHJS

**Wednesday, January 27**

7:30-8:30am - Symphonic Band Brass Sectional

5:00-7:30pm - Colorguard Rehearsal - AHJS

**Thursday, January 28**

7:30-8:30am - Wind Ensemble Woodwind Sectional

3:15-4:30pm - Concert Band Brass/Percussion Sectional

**Friday, January 29**

7:30-8:30am - Symphonic Band Woodwind Sectional

**Saturday, January 30**

UIL Twirling Contest - Cuero HS - Times will be sent out when available