



BLOS ALAMITOS HS ENTERTAINMENT UNIT

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Announcements

We are very pleased to announce the 2010/11 Booster Board Positions. A special thank you goes out to each of the new (and returning) members for their time and commitment to the program. As we will start the transition early (secondary to outgoing senior parents), please look for emails and announcements from each of these new members in the months to come.

President:	Constance Black
1st VP- Ways & Means:	Melissa Stewart-Garcia
2nd VP -Bingo Manager:	Jana Hernandez
3rd Co-VP:	Sylvia Kenmuir & Lisa Ota
4th VP - Color Guard:	Debra Pedersen
5th VP - Drumline:	Janet Congel
Treasurer:	Byron Whitten
Secretary:	Christi Hensch

In addition to the above noted elected board positions, Tim Powers has agreed to continue as a committee member for "band transportation manager." We will be in need of a chairperson for Taste 4 Los Al and Cow Chip Bingo, as well as a "restaurant fundraising chair." Each of these positions have notebooks and prior committee members who are willing to share their knowledge and thoughts for each of the events. Please consider one of these positions, and contact either Cathy Lewis or Christy Coats for further information.

Congratulations and the best of luck in the coming school year.

Congratulations to:

- Drumline for their 1st place prelims performance at Great Oak HS with a 95.700, and for being promoted to **SCHOLASTIC WORLD CLASS (highest level/class)** for the rest of the season Finals performance (already competing in scholastic world) – 4th place – 88.050
- Color Guard for earning a 74.0 at the Etiwanda HS Competition.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, 3/22

- All-District Band Concert – 7pm
(call time 6:30pm)

Tuesday, 3/23

- Drumline Rehearsal – 2pm to 6pm
- Guard Rehearsal – 2pm to 5pm

Wednesday, 3/24 - FREE

Thursday, 3/25

- Guard Rehearsal – 2pm to 5pm

Friday, 3/26

- Drumline Rehearsal – 2pm to 6pm

Saturday, 3/27

- Los Alamitos Parade – 9am (call time 8am)
- Color Guard – WGASC Downey HS – 5:04pm (call time 1:45pm)
- Drumline Rehearsal – 3pm to 7pm

Sunday, 3/28

- Drumline – SCPA Prelims Great Oak HS – 1:14pm (call time 7am)

Thank you to all the parents that came and supported the groups by: chaperoning, helping push equipment, bringing food and snacks for the kids during these long days, and cheering them on in the audience.

Los Alamitos 50th Anniversary Parade:

When: Saturday, March 27, 2010

Where: starts at LAHS and ends at Laurel Park on Bloomfield

Who: Entertainment Unit Wind players (not in jazz band, drumline, or color guard) will combine with the Alumni Marching Band to represent Los Alamitos at the parade.

What: Our wind players will join with alumni members to rehearse for the 50th Anniversary Los Alamitos Parade on Sat., March 27th

Report Time: 8am

Performance: approx. 9:30am

Lunch (provided by Manning family): approx. 10:30am

Leave LAHS: approx. 11:30am

Dismiss Time: approx. 11:30am

What to bring: Blue band shirt, jeans, tennis shoes, and instrument

Please contact Mr. Sebastian if you have questions and/or scheduling conflicts
(rsebastian@losal.org)

Drumline:

<http://www.losalmusic.com/drumline.html>

Drumline has been spending a lot of time this week focusing on the closer and getting it performance ready. This was a very busy weekend with the kids competing both on Saturday (Prelims) and on Sunday (Finals) in Temecula for the WGI Great Oak HS Regional. They had an amazing Saturday performance earning them 1st place with a 95.700 over Pacifica in 2nd with a 90.650. After that performance, WGI discussed with our staff and decided to promote our drumline from Open Class to the highest level of performance, World Class. It truly is a great honor and the kids, staff, and parents are very excited to accept this challenge and appreciate the recognition. Drumline was able to compete on Sunday at Finals already in the World Class division and earned 4th (out of 7) with an 88.050. We are currently ranked 5th in the world in our division as the WGI Championships in Dayton, Ohio is coming close. Their upcoming performance/competition is this Saturday at the SCPA Prelims which will show how we fare with all the Southern California Drumlines in World Class and will place us in the appropriate order for Finals the following weekend.

Dayton Fees

• 3RD payment - \$297.10 (**DUE FRI., MARCH 26TH**)

ADDITIONAL REHEARSAL: Saturday, March 27, 2010 – 3pm to 7pm

SCPA PRELIMS (drumline)

When: Sunday, March 28, 2010 **CHANGE OF DATE (due to class promotion)**

Where: Great Oak HS ([32555 Deer Hollow Way, Temecula, CA 92592](http://www.greatoakhs.com))

Who: Drumline

What: We will perform our indoor drumline show before an audience and SCPA judges to qualify for SCPA Championships Finals next weekend

Report Time: 7am

Leave LAHS: 8am

Arrive at Site: approx. 10am

Warm-up: 11:15am

Walk to gym: 12:45pm

Performance time: 1:14pm

Awards: 2:30pm

Leave Competition: approx. 3:30pm

Arrive back at LAHS: approx. 5:30pm

Dismiss Time: approx. 6pm

What to bring & wear: Show uniform (top, pants, socks, show shoes, etc.), instrument, extra equipment, change of clothes, food/snacks or money for food/snacks

Links: [SCPA Show Schedule](#)

Misc: Click on the address above for directions. We will meet at LAHS to load the trailer/truck, and then drive to site using a school bus.

Color Guard:

<http://www.losalmusic.com/colorguard.html>

After a hard-working week, Color Guard had another opportunity to share their talents with judges and the audience this past weekend at the WGI Power Regional in Rancho Cucamonga at Etiwanda High School. They earned a 74.0 (which is 1 point increase from the previous performance) at the Prelims performance on Saturday; however, there were so many other excellent groups in their division of Scholastic A (28 others) that we did not qualify for Finals on Sunday where they only took the top 15. This performance gave the girls another taste of competing at this level and it provides them with some insight on what is required to be a competitor in this tough division for future years. The following competitions are WGASC contests to prepare for the WGASC Championships on April 17th where they will continue competing in the level of Intermediate A.

WGASC DOWNEY CONTEST (color guard)

When: Saturday, March 27, 2010

Where: Downey HS ([11040 Brookshire Ave., Downey, CA 90241](#))

Who: Color Guard

What: We will perform our winter guard show before an audience and WGASC judges

Report Time: 1pm

Leave LAHS: 1:45pm

Arrive at Site: approx. 2pm

Warm-up: 2:45pm

Walk to gym: 4:45pm

Performance time: 5:04pm

Awards: 6:05pm

Leave Competition: approx. 6:40pm

Arrive back at LAHS: approx. 7:10pm

Dismiss Time: approx. 7:30pm

What to bring & wear: Show uniform, equipment, change of clothes, food/snacks or money for food/snacks

Links: [WGASC Show Schedule](#)

Misc: Click on the address above for directions. We will meet at LAHS to load the trailer/truck, then drive to site using a school bus.

Concert Bands:

<http://www.losalmusic.com/concertbands.html>

Both concert bands have a performance tonight at the All-District Band Concert (which will be Symphonic Band's debut performance) where they both will be playing one song from their festival set. This Friday, both groups will participate in the SCSBOA Festival at Garden Grove HS where you could hear all of their festival pieces. Both Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band have been continuing to focus on fundamental wind playing techniques and sight reading new music throughout the class rehearsals.

ALL-DISTRICT BAND CONCERT (TONIGHT)

When: Monday, March 22, 2010

Where: LAHS Gym

Who: Concert and Jazz Bands from all schools in the Los Alamitos School District

What: This is a concert performance which showcases all the Concert Band and Jazz Band programs that are available in the district

Report Time: 6:30pm

Time: 7pm

What to bring and wear: Concert Dress (see details below), instrument, music

Misc: Ticket prices are \$5/person or \$10/family of 4

SCSBOA GARDEN GROVE HS FESTIVAL (wind symphony and symphonic band)

When: Friday, March 26, 2010

Where: Garden Grove HS ([11271 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove, CA 92840](#))

Who: Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band

What: We will perform our festival concert set before an audience and SCSBOA judges for a rating and constructive criticism

Report Time: 11am/4th period (Symphonic Band); 1:30pm/6th period (Wind Symphony)

Leave LAHS: 11:45am (symphonic band);

Arrive at Site: approx. 12pm (symphonic band)

Warm-up: 1pm (symphonic band); 2:30pm (wind symphony)

Walk to Stage: 1:20pm (symphonic band); 2:50pm (wind symphony)

Performance time: 1:30pm (symphonic band); 3pm (wind symphony)

Sight-reading: 2pm (symphonic band); 3:30pm (wind symphony)

Leave Festival: approx. 4:15pm

Arrive back at LAHS: approx. 4:45pm

Dismiss Time: approx. 5pm

What to bring & wear: Concert dress (see details below), instrument, extra equipment, music, money for food/snacks/medals/stickers

Misc: Click on the address above for directions. We will meet at LAHS and then drive to site using a school bus.

*** We might need some drumline/concert band parents to transport drumline students from Garden Grove HS after their festival performance back to LAHS so they can return for drumline rehearsal. Please contact Mr. Sebastian for details (rsebastian@losal.org) ***

Required Performance/Concert/Festival Attire

- **Gentlemen** – white button down long-sleeve shirt with a dark tie tucked into black dress pants/slacks (not jeans), belt, black socks, and black dress shoes (not marching band shoes)
 - **Ladies** – all black floor length dress and appropriate black dress shoes (no flip-flops or sandals)
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Middle School Recruiting:

Both Mr. Sebastian and Mr. Rush will be making trips to the two local middle schools: McAuliffe MS (Tues., March 30th) and Oak MS (Wed., March 31st) to speak to their instrumental music students to provide them with information and hopefully interest them in joining the Entertainment Unit the following year. We are hoping to take a small group of students to share their thoughts and experiences of being involved in the program, to display our trophies and medals from our successful marching seasons, demonstrate how great it looks to wear the band uniform, and possibly play some pep tunes for the middle school kids. Unfortunately, this group of students will miss class on these days.

Details to come...