



Grace Through Sacramento

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Spring Band Concert

featuring the **Jazz, Junior, Mezzo and Senior Bands**

Get ready to be entertained with some jazz, a tune about New York, a smattering of the blues, and an epic melody. Oh, and watch out for those pesky flies!



All SKDS families are invited to attend our Annual Spring Concert. This is the big opportunity for our band students to show what they have accomplished this year. It's also a great way to inspire our soon to be

musicians in 4th grade!

Students should arrive in time to be ready to play at their scheduled warm-up time- see attached.

Band families are invited to attend the Band Guild Meeting at 6:30PM (immediately before the concert) in the SKDS Cafeteria . Please attend this meeting to vote for new officers, and to have a voice in the budget issues.

Beaver Dam Jazz Fest

Friday, April 29, 7:30PM
Beaver Dam High School Auditorium



If you enjoy jazz, you will love this concert! This concert features the SKDS Jazz Band and Beaver Dam Middle and High School Jazz Bands.

If you missed the SKDS Jazz Fest last weekend, this is another chance to hear our Jazz Band play.

ACCESSORIES CHECK

Students should take some time before the concert to make sure they are fully supplied with reeds (at least 4), valve/slide oil, and any other accessories they may need for the concert. Students can pick these up in the band room and fill out a slip. The items will be included in your next Band Guild bill.

Thanks for playing at Mass!

Thursday, April 7: Nick, Mariah, Paige, and Ana M

Announcing the 2011 Flag Corps Captains



**Amber Christian
Morgan Leistekow
Shania Warmka
Morgan White**

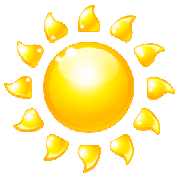
Jazz Band
Practices April 26
Party on May 3, 3:20-4:15

Upcoming Performance
BEAVER DAM JAZZ FEST
Beaver Dam HS Auditorium
7:30PM
April 29 (Friday)
Arrive at BDHS at 7:00

This will be our final performance of the year.



4th Grade Summer Band Lessons



Fourth Grade students should be sure they have an instrument and accessories signing up for Beginning Band ready to go for summer school, and to arrange Lessons through the rental of school instruments. For school rent-summer school packet. The reg-istration can be returned to

SKDS.

Band lessons will be held August 8-19 at Beaver Dam High School. Mrs. Battenberg will soon be checking with students to make

als, the summer rental fee (\$15), and acces-sories fees will be due by August 1. All rent-als (from SKDS, Ward-Brodth, and Heid Music) will be delivered directly to summer school. Your student will receive his or her instru-ment and materials the first day of lessons.

Uniform Fitting and Band Photo Grades 4-8



All band students will be fitted for a band uniform on Tuesday, April 26 (during the school day). The uniforms will stay at school until Tuesday, May 10, for the Band Photo. Afterwards, students should take their uniforms home. The Band Guild must have a Uniform Loan Agreement on file for your student. This is the yellow form that came home a few weeks ago. Please make sure this has been turned in!

The Band Photo is after school on May 10 from 3:15 to approximately 4:00. All Band students (including 4th Grade) should be in the band photo! The 2010-2011 photo will be displayed in the band cabinet in the gym lobby.

If desired, families can purchase photos of the entire band, individual photos, or sibling photos. Order forms will be available at school soon.

Still Renting an Instrument?

If you have been renting an instrument for one or two years, it's a good idea to check out the options to purchase. If your student will be in band for more than one year, buying an instrument outright usually saves money. Check out the options at area music stores to see what works best for your family. Used instruments from the internet are a possibility; just stick to the same brands the local stores use. It is also a

good idea to build a budget of \$50-\$150 of repairs into any offers for used instruments, as these instruments will need some TLC.

Used beginner instruments in good condition are always easy to sell to another beginner, so they are a good investment. The stores that service our school are Heid Music and Ward-Brodth Music. Another option is White House of Music in Watertown.

