

POWER of Creekside Newsletter 3/8/2026

SOLO and ENSEMBLE - April 10th and 11th at St. Augustine HS.

Bring PIANO music asap, please provide specific pianists. Remember the fee is \$40.00 to be given to your piano player/accompanist.

Schedule hopefully will be available prior to Spring Break on the wall in band room.

Any changes after schedule is provided must be approved by Mrs. Larsen (she is the Chairperson for our District 21

OFFICERS

When we return from Spring Break we will discuss the steps for those interested in officer positions. Please refer to calendar for specific dates.

APOPKA

Jazz 1 (4th period) will be attending this event on Friday April 10th. Full details will be provided in class when we return from Spring Break.

LAKESIDE - April 17th

This is for Jazz 1, 2, 3 and 4 (all 4 jazz bands).

- LOAD trailer 845-9am
- LOAD buses (2) 930am
- Jazz Four - Performance 1140am on CAFE STAGE
- Jazz Three - Performance 1pm on CAFE STAGE
- Jazz Two - Performance 2pm on MAIN STAGE
- Jazz One - Performance 3pm on MAIN STAGE
- The evening bands include Volusia MS Honor Band, Volusia HS Honor Band, USF Jazz 1, UCF Flying Horse and more!
- LOAD buses (2) at 9pm
- RETURN to Creekside 11pm for parent pick up
- This is a highlight event each year. The best way to improv in jazz is to listen, support and be around jazz. We stay the entire day and will have a "base camp" set up of tents and such. We encourage you to join us!! Students must return on bus with our program at end of the event. Anyone who needs to be picked up by a parent, we must have a note before TUESDAY April 14th!
- Bring \$\$ for food, bring food/cooler/ bring a chair, bring change of clothes, sunscreen, etc.

TRIP INFO and CHAPERONE INFO

- CARS are to be parked and left in Student Parking Lot (across from football field entrance off Knights Lane)
- STUDENTS report to band room by 930am with luggage. We will head to Bus Loop at 10am with luggage to wait for buses and load. CHAPERONES can do the same, or meet

us in the bus loop at 10am. Your car should also be left in Student Parking Lot until we return from Chicago.

- Bring HATS (part of uniform) DINKLES, BLACK SOCKS, GLOVES (we will provide) and perhaps a layer of clothing under your uniform.
- Bring "semi formal" dress for the Dinner Cruise.
- Anyone who ordered knit hat, scarf or blanket - we will hand those out Tuesday at the final rehearsal as well as the marching gloves.
- BUS - when they arrive, we can load the under with luggage. CHAPERONES are to get on the bus first. Each chaperone should have own seat. We ask you spread out across the bus (front, middle, back). Once they have their seat we will then have kids get on the bus. There are not "assigned seats" for students, there are assigned BUSES. Movies are ok (nothing over PG13) and encouraged. We hope to have electrical outlets - but please know this is out of our control. Strongly suggest a battery back up if you have one.
- Weather - as of right now the highest temp we will see is 51 degrees which is the first day. On parade day the high will be 40 degrees which we will be outside for several hours. Please pack for the cold. We may even see snow while there!
- Itinerary is followed as closely as possible - sometimes things will change based on things outside of our control. Be prepared and adaptable!
- HOTEL - each person has a room and specific hotel. Chaperone needs to CHECK ROOMS when we check in and CHECK ROOMS when we check out. This is to verify that all items are picked up and no damage has been done. We appreciate leaving an area the same way we left it - providing people with respect and courtesy.
- MEDICATIONS - any medication that a student can not administer themselves must be provided to Mr. Fowler or Mrs. Larsen only. This does not include aspirin/tylenol, etc. We always travel with our own "Bertha" that has the ability to treat most needs should something arise. If a student is not feeling well, they can see their chaperone and we will verify they can have a med administered.
- CHAPERONES - when we have small group time each of you have a group of kids. Inside museums we can allow them time with a check in place. When we are "on our own" outside of a building, all students must be with groups/adults. Some will choose to go with a different group (that is ok) as long as each chaperone is ok with this.
- Lunch will be provided the day of the parade. We are waiting for the final information from Parade organizers so we can complete this and have a plan.
- Itinerary has places that say "\$\$ provided". This will be on a prepaid credit card (JASSPY) and handed to all attendees when we arrive in Chicago. We encourage your student to have \$100.00 in addition for snacks, souvenirs, small meals, etc. The itinerary has what is provided and what is "on your own".
- CHAPERONES - we will have short meetings during the night of travel to help finalize the next day. We will always ask you to assist with restrooms to make sure we are all accounted for.
- CHAPERONES/PARENTS/STUDENT TRAVELERS - we need you to join the BAND App if you have not done so already. We will communicate and upload items through there during the trip.
- BUS - Mr. Fowler, Mrs. Larsen and Mrs. Waggoner will be the point of contact on each bus. Please be mindful when they need to provide you information on the bus. We will also have Ms. Beth and Mr. James (tour guides) with us beginning Friday morning in Chicago.

- IF you had planned to pick your child up in Chicago to stay longer or travel elsewhere, we must have a note stating this by Tuesday March 10th. If you are planning to travel to Chicago on your own, please know we are not able to allow kids to go with you outside of our specific itinerary. We do not have room on bus or at specific places (unless you have planned this prior with PACE Travel). We must follow the School Board Approval policies during our time away.
- We are excited and hope to have an absolutely amazing time together. What a cool experience!!!!!!

At a Glance

Tues March 10	Chicago Rehearsal 410-530pm
Thurs March 12	LEAVE for Chicago!
Tues March 17	RETURN from Chicago
Tues March 24	RECORD for State Solo Ensemble (virtual)
Wed March 25	RECORD for State Solo Ensemble (virtual)
Fri March 27	STATE Solo Ensemble (virtual)
Tue April 7	NEW officer meeting 410-5pm
Wed April 8	NEW officer auditions 310 to 7pm
Fri April 10	Jazz 1(one) at Apopka Jazz Festival
Wed April 15	WIND ENSEMBLE 830am
	CONCERT BAND 310pm
Thur April 16	SYMPHONIC BAND 830am
Fri April 17	LAKESIDE JAZZ 845am to 11pm
Tue April 21	SPRING EXTRAVAGANZA CONCERT 7pm
Wed May 6	BAND AWARD CELEBRATION 630pm