

Eldorado High School Mighty Eagle Band



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To: EHS Band students & parents

HI, MEB! ☺

I hope you are having a great and restful summer!! It seems to be flying by fast. It is hard to believe that summer band and school are just around the corner. We better enjoy every bit of summer we can!!! I know this has been an unexpected transition for all of us with Mr. Bostwick moving to Haskell. Mr. Bostwick has done a great job with you all and has given two good years of service to our school. We know that he will certainly be missed, and we are sure that he will miss you all as well! Our Eldorado High School Band has had a notorious and long history of pride and success, and we look forward to continuing the tradition and being a part of making marvelous new musical memories with you! Remember this is YOUR band! What kind of memories do you want to make, and what kind of legacy do you want to leave at EHS? Let's make some great ones!!

WELCOME OUR NEW DIRECTOR

Our new head band director is James Cross. He is a native of Brownfield and holds bachelor's and master's degrees in music education and performance at Angelo State University, Texas Tech University, and Eastern New Mexico University. Mr. Cross has taught in Hico, Texas the last six years but has many years of experience in West Texas as well. His bands have earned excellent and superior ratings, area marching finals, and his 2018 concert march advanced to the ATSSB Outstanding Performance Series state competition. His bands have traveled to, and performed in, various locations in Texas as well as Missouri, Florida, Colorado, and Tennessee. Mr. Cross' past marching shows have included music from James Bond, Journey, Bon Jovi, Phantom of the Opera, and various original works. He has had numerous students perform in the All Region Band, All-State Band as well as State Solo & Ensemble. Mr. Cross has also performed with various wind symphonies and community bands including a Carnegie Hall performance with the Texas Tech Wind Symphony and solo euphonium performances with the Westwind Brass Band.

YOU ARE IMPORTANT!

Mr. Cross is looking forward to meeting you all!! We have some fun plans for you during summer band, and it will be great to see your friends as well!! We are continuing with the El Dorado: Lost City of Gold marching show and looking forward to debuting the new uniforms this fall. The music has already been sent to the drill writer for the marching show. Your spot on the field in the drill has already been included. If you don't show up, we cannot perform well, and the drill rewrites will be costly. Please don't let your fellow band members down. Parents, we appreciate you encouraging your child to honor their commitment. Give us a chance; at least hang in there one semester to see if band works out for you! You might just be surprised!! ☺

STAY CONNECTED!

All MEB students and parents will need to join EHS Band Remind App to stay up to date with current band info. If you do not wish to receive text messages, you can select to receive info via email or just download the Remind App. Then, all messages will be available in the App. The information on how to join is on the back of the band schedule. Also, please visit the band website on the school page. It is currently being updated, but it should be up soon! The latest info will be posted there as well as the Remind App. You are also welcome to join our band Facebook page at Eldorado High School Mighty Eagle Band – MEB for band pics and contest results, but the latest info such as updated schedules and changes will mostly be posted on the Remind App and the school website.

SUMMER BAND

Please see the attached schedule. Summer band will run Monday, July 30 – August 21. We will not have band practice at all on Fridays nor Wednesday nights during summer band. We have worked the sectional schedule around the other practices going on for football, cross-country, and cheerleading as best we can. Please try very hard to make every rehearsal and encourage your friends to do so, too. You will need to make sure you bring your athletic shoes to wear during sectionals and full band. We recommend that you wear sunscreen, mosquito repellent, hat, and sunglasses during marching if needed. We respect your time; so please respect ours. Communication is important; if you will not be present for a band rehearsal or will be late, please let one of the directors know ahead of time. The fastest way to reach us is through the Remind App. You will also need to bring a signed note from your parents about the reason for your absence, or they will need to send us an email about your absence. Our contact info is listed above.

WE ARE THIRSTY!

Every band member will be assigned a week to bring water this season!

THANK YOU!! ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!!!! WE WILL SEE YOU SOON! - Mr. Cross, Ms. Saunders

EAGLE PRIDE

P – Participation

R – Respect

I – Integrity

D – Determination

E – Excellence

