

Ichabod Crane CSD December 2019

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ICPS Music News

We are pleased to announce the ICPS Music Rockstar program! As the students come to music they will have the opportunity to earn Music Rockstar points. The kids will receive points for the following: musicianship, participation and using



their best manners. Students with the highest scores will be named the Rockstar of the week. Keep up the great work kids! For more information on all ICPS Music events, please visit:

https://sites.google.com/a/ichabodcrane.org/primaryschool-music

General Music 4-8



Elementary music students have enjoyed using our brand new, beautiful rug for flexible seating, Staff Twister, and most of all - pretending to play the piano! We have been singing,

dancing, playing instruments and learning about our Musicians of the Month. Middle school students have been hard at work using music technology

programs such as Noteflight and Soundation to practice notation skills as well as making digital music. Both of these programs are free online and available



to use at school or at home!

5th Grade Band

The 5th grade band has been working diligently to prepare for their first band concert. The students are super excited for family and friends to see them perform on their instruments for the first time ever!



Many 5th grade band members participated in "Pajama Day" during school spirit week.

Chorus 5 & 6

The 5th grade chorus is excitedly awaiting performing in their first concert. We are so excited to blow you away with our beautiful harmonies and expressive singing! The 6th grade chorus is ready to rock your socks off with our energy packed set! For the 20 new members of the chorus this year, it will be their first concert. We can't wait! A select group of 6th graders will have the opportunity to represent our school in the Elementary All-County Chorus this year as well.

Five-Six Pops

Five-Six Pops is ready to rock as they lead off the 6th grade concert! They will be performing Billie Jean by Michael Jackson and The Final Countdown by Europe. Spencer Stickles and Noah First will be featured soloists in a tune entitled "Who Let the Elve's Out". 5th graders will be able to audition for Five-Six Pops in January!

Middle School Band

The Ichabod Crane Middle School Bands have been busy preparing for our winter concerts! We are incredibly excited to perform a wide range of band music and share our hard work with family and friends.

Middle School Jazz Band

Join the Middle School Jazz Band as we "swing" into the High School auditorium! Our performance includes a diverse selection of jazz styles, including the holiday favorite, Sleigh Ride. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Middle School 7/8 Vocal

Prepare for the sound of a 100-voice strong middle school chorus this holiday season! Our select vocal group, Sing Swing, will serenade the audience with the sound of Broadway and jazz.

10th Annual We Go Together Family Variety Show



We Go Together is a variety show made up of various acts performed by students and family members. It is open to students in grades K-12. In addition to the family acts, the locally famous "Teacher Act" adds to the fun and variety of the

show. The "We Go Together" band, made up of teachers, students, and parents performs each year, as well. The performance is scheduled for **Friday**, **January 31, at 7PM in the High School Auditorium**. Ticket order forms will go home with students in early January. We Go Together is sponsored by TEMPO.

High School Music

Great things are happening in the High School Music Suite. Students in the high school music program have been working hard to prepare for their annual winter concert that will take place on December 18th at 6:30 pm in the High School auditorium. This concert will feature music by the masters, contemporary composers, and, of course, some holiday classics that the audience can sing along to! We hope to see you there!

AREA ALL-STATE FESTIVAL

Seven students from the Ichabod Crane High School Music Department were selected to attend the NYSSMA Area All-State Festival on November 22 -23 at Hudson High School in Hudson, N.Y. In order to be selected to participate in the festival, each student was required to prepare and perform a solo for a NYSSMA adjudicator, as well as sight read a short melody. The highest scoring students in Dutchess, Putnam & Columbia Counties were selected to participate in this event. Students participated in intense rehearsals on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. The experience culminated in a concert on Saturday afternoon under the direction of conductors from around New York and beyond. Students representing Ichabod Crane in Choir were: Victoria Slade, Bridget Duso, Miah Nooney, Olivia Oligny-Leggett, and Anna O'Shea. Students representing Ichabod Crane in Concert Band were: Alex Regan and Meredith Buono.



CONFERENCE ALL-STATE FESTIVAL

Michael Vecellio and Erin Curry were selected to represent Ichabod Crane as a member of the All-State Mixed & Treble Chorus respectively at the New York State School Music Association All-State Festival in Rochester, NY. In order to be selected to participate in the festival, students are required to audition on a level six solo, and sight read a short passage for a NYSSMA All-State adjudicator. Only the highest scoring students (typically a score of 100) in New York State are selected to perform





and be part of a Conference All-State Music Ensemble. After several days of intensive rehearsals with prestigious conductors from across the United States, the festival culminated with a December concert at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY.

CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS!



Ichabod Crane Riders Marching Band

The Riders Marching Band, under the direction of Mrs. Edwards, has been working since early August to prepare for a busy fall marching season. The summer band camp was quite an experience for all the rookies including Mrs. Edwards! The more seasoned members of the marching band spent each day teaching, guiding, and reminding all of us what it is to be a proud member of the ICC Riders Marching Band. At the conclusion of the camp we performed for parents and administration followed by a wonderful picnic provided by TEMPO and band mom's Melanie Moon and Melissa Barford. In a short amount of time, the marching band and color guard has increased participation to just over 50 members. We are so excited to have so many new members and we hope to encourage more to come experience marching band in the spring.

The marching band started the school year off with a surprise performance of the National Anthem for the first district wide faculty and staff meeting. Students loved the cheering and well wishes from current and former teachers/staff. In the midst of preparing for parades, Mrs. Edwards wanted to add pep band music to the IC football games. The music was well received as well as the half-time performance.



The North Adams Fall Foliage Parade was such a thrill. The people lining the streets cheered loudly and made us feel like rockstars. The band was fed about 10 pizzas and then we headed back to Valatie. Notice the trend: music and food!!



On Friday, October 18 the marching band had our busiest day to date. We performed a couple tunes for the HS Pep Rally and it was well received by the HS students and staff.



Later that evening at the Homecoming Game, former marching band members were invited to join the pep band portion of the evening. It was fun to have each one talk to the current members about what they are doing with their lives now that they have graduated. Former members who attended were Cheryl Antalek, Tyler Garrison, Katie Raftery, Amanda Geiger, Katie Brady, Katie Noll, Karolyn Eberhardt and Brandon Murdie. If you are a former member and want to join us next year, send Mrs. Edwards an email to get on the list. We plan to make this an annual tradition.



On November 2, we traveled to UMass - Amherst to participate in the UMass Band Day.

The frost was on our shoes but our students braved the cold day and spent the whole morning outside practicing for hours. They worked up an appetite and of course we had more food! After lunch, we watched the UMass football game and then the big moment was the half-time show featuring 2,000 marching band members from across the Northeast.



Our last event of the season was performing on the brand new road connecting the middle school to the primary school. The school community has been so supportive and we are excited to see what the future holds. **Go Riders!**





You made our marching season special!

2019-2020 Officers of the Crane Acting Troupe

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The Crane Acting Troupe Presents Disney's Little Mermaid



This year's Spring Musical Production offers The Crane Acting Troupe a fantastic creative opportunity to present to the Community a show filled with rich costumes and sets as well as a chance to perform some of the bestknown songs from the past 30 years. Based on one of Hans Christian Anderson's most beloved stories and the animated film, Disney's Little Mermaid is a "hauntingly beautiful" fairytale.

Performance dates are March 26, 27 & 28, 2020.

The Box Office opens in the High School lobby on March 2nd; Monday through Friday from 6:30-8:30 pm. There will be a Pre-sale Box Office Tuesday, February 4th and Wednesday, February 5th 6:30-8:30 pm.

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