

## JOPA Memo for September

Hello and thank you to everyone who came to our first JOPA meeting on Tuesday. Our next meeting will be held Tues. Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Orchestra Room.

### Upcoming Events:

Tues. Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> Wires on Fire Meeting at 3 PM in Orchestra Room

- David Rosales will be leading group again.

Thurs. Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> Homecoming parade

- Theme is Circus/Carnival
- Students and parent volunteers meet in Orchestra room at 3pm (after school) with paper and markers to make signs and student group photo
- We have 1 truck available for a few students on ride on (reserved for any students willing to play their instruments), need possible trailer/flat bed or else rest students walk behind truck
- Students bring candy for handing out/tossing to spectators (we ran out of candy last year so perhaps bring 2 bags if possible)
- Parade starts at 4pm

Mon. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> Tux Fitting (boys only)

Band/Orchestra Male Concert Uniform (Suit) fittings

The tentative schedule:

- 3:00pm - athletes before practice (earlier ok, too)
- 3:30pm - Seniors
- 4:00pm - Juniors
- 4:30pm - Sophomores
- 5:00pm - Freshmen

Oct. 24 All-State Auditions

Wed. Oct. 28 and Thurs. Oct. 29 Halloween concert Prep and Concert

- Wed. Concert Prep Night
- Parent provide potluck dinner-Students voted and want Walking Tacos (sign up sheet for parents to bring food will be at next JOPA meeting)
- Parents and students decorate auditorium with Halloween decorations
- If time available, other games/group activities for the students
- Thur. Concert Night
- Seniors will be judges for fun costume prizes, parent will sell tickets for Best Costume
- Costumes and costume contest are open to EVERYONE, any age, whether they go to school or not
- Costume contest at 6:30 PM, Concert starts at 7pm

November 19-21, 2015 All-State Festival (IJHO on Friday)

## Mon. Dec. 14 Holiday Concert

- Orchestra volunteers sell cocoa/cider/cookies as fundraiser starting before Band performs at 6pm through start of Orchestra performance, Wires on Fire perform in hallway during intermission between Band and Orchestra/Choir performance
- Orchestra and Choir perform at 7:30 pm.

Other fundraisers such as a Pizza Ranch night, a Panda Express night, and a Barnes and Noble night will hopefully be scheduled soon. If you have any other fundraiser ideas, or an idea where we can hold a car wash, etc, please email jopa or Mr. Sentman or bring it up at the next meeting.

Reminder! Jefferson Orchestra Parents Association is a registered non-profit with the State of Iowa and an approved partner with United Way, if your employer matches charity or United Way donations you can designate your donation to go to JOPA.

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## Schedule of Events

October 13, 2015 JOPA Meeting

October 24, 2015 All State Auditions

October 28, 2015 Halloween Concert Practice/Prep

October 29, 2015 Halloween Concert and Costume Contest

November 10, 2015 JOPA Meeting

November 19-21, 2015 All-State Festival (IJHO on Friday)

December 8, 2015 possible JOPA meeting

December 14, 2015 Holiday Concert

January 9, 2016 NEISTA Festival at Jefferson

January 12, 2016 JOPA Meeting

January 13-15, 2016 Finals

January 22-23, 2016 Metro Orchestra Festival at Paramount

February 9, 2016 Westside Orchestra Festival at Jefferson

February 11, 2016 JOPA Meeting

March 5, 2016 Kennedy Honors Orchestra

March 8, 2016 JOPA Meeting

April 9, 2016 All City Music Contest at Jefferson

April 16, 2016 State Solo and Ensemble Contest

April 23, 2016 Jefferson Orchestra Invitational

May 7, 2016 State Large Group Contest

May 23, 2016 Spring Orchestra Concert

May 26, 2016 Graduation