

# Armada Music Department

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*"Enriching students lives one beat at a time"*

## Upcoming Events:

10/26/10: Sewing Bee meet at 6:00 pm at HS Band Room to re-pair marching uniforms  
10/28/10: Halloween Parade #1 - 1:00 pm HS Marching Band  
10/29/10: Halloween Parade #2 - 9:15 am HS Marching Band  
11/05/10: Grand Valley State University Faculty String Trio with performances by Armada Alumni Paul Andrews and Rebecca Durbin. 7:30 pm, Ruth Isaacson Auditorium  
11/10/10: Fall Conferences 3 to 5 pm & 6 to 8 pm - MS/HS  
11/11/10: Fall Conferences 3 to 5 pm & 6 to 8 pm - MS/HS  
11/12/10: No School - Students & Staff  
11/12/10: HS Choir/Chorale traveling to Oakland University to attend performance of University Chorus & Oakland Chorale  
11/16/10: Booster Meeting 7 pm MS Band Room  
11/17-18/10: HS Orchestra "Day Away" Clinic and Campus Visit to Grand Valley State University  
12/02/10: MS/HS Choir Holiday Concert, HS auditorium 7 pm. (Students report at 6 pm).  
12/04/10: Holly Days (Parade and Chorale Performances) 7pm.  
12/07/10: MS Band/Orchestra Holiday Concert, HS auditorium 7 pm. (Students report at 6 pm).

## Strength in Numbers:

The Armada Music Department boasts an impressive percentage of the student population in various music programs.

The Middle School has 35% of the total population participating in music programs.

The high school has 25% of the total population participating in music programs.

*"Sing the praises of a musical education!"*

## Annual Fruit Sale Update

A big "thank you" to all the supporters of the annual fruit sale. We sold approximately 250 cases of delicious Florida oranges and grapefruit.

Delivery of the fruit will take place between 11/14/10 - 11/20/10.

As an added incentive, students directly share in the proceeds of this fundraisers to help pay for class trips, music, or instruments.

## Great Performance!

The Middle School Orchestra had the honor of performing for an assembly at the Krause Elementary School on 10/19/10 in conjunction with a visit from the State Superintendent of Schools and the State Board of Education for a media event regarding MEAP testing.

The Middle School Orchestra conducted by Mr. Keenan Thomason received high praise from our guests including comments that our performance was one of the finest they have attended.

This visit was an honor to have Armada Area Schools recognized by Lansing for our fine programs and plans for the future.

## Armada Music Pride!

The Music Boosters have recently inventoried and professionally cleaned all marching band uniforms. With the assistance of some wonderful volunteers, much needed repairs are in the final stages as well.

The concert band/orchestra uniforms will be our next project to professionally clean, inventory, and make any needed repairs are made prior to the holiday concert season.

The choir/chorale dresses are also undergoing the same process of cleaning and altering for students.

The Boosters will continue to support these activities to ensure our students look their best and are proud to represent Armada Area Schools.

Thank you to the dedicated volunteers who continue to offer a helping hand. Your involvement is crucial to the success of our music department.

## Armada Music Website:

We are now linked to the Armada Schools website. Go to the High School Homepage and click the Music Link.