




# EPCHSMUSIC DEPARTMENT

December 2024 -  
January 2025

Welcome to the New Year!

The EPCHS Music Department had a very busy and successful first semester! And yet, we're even more excited for all of the upcoming events taking place in our Spring Semester. Between the musical, organizational contest, solo and ensemble, and our spring concert, it's going to be a very fulfilling year!



Come see what the music department has coming up 



## Upcoming Music Events (January '25)

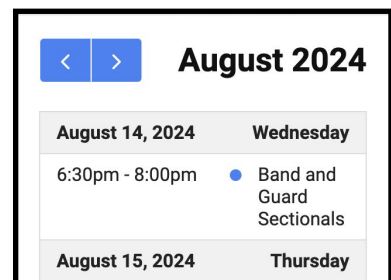
- January 30 - February 1st: ILMEA All-State Festival
- February 2nd: Winter Guard at Naperville Central
- February 6th: Music Booster Meeting (6:30pm)
- February 16th: Winter Guard at Schaumburg
- February 21st: Midwest Music Festival
- February 28th - March 2nd: Cinderella Performances

Always stay up to date by accessing our website:

<http://www.epchsbands.org/>



Subscribe to the calendar on the right hand side for the most current updates on the happenings of the music department!







# Music Boosters

Have you joined the Music Boosters?

The Evergreen Park Music Boosters support EPCHS' music programs: Beginning Band, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Jazz Combo, Jazz Ensemble, Madrigals, Marching Band, Percussion Performance, and Unaccompanied Minors. The boosters also provide scholarship opportunities to seniors and summer scholarships for underclassmen., (you must be a paid Music Boosters member by September 30, 2024 to qualify). Thank you to all who have already registered and paid for this year! Registration link is here:

<https://evergreenpark.revtrak.net/mb/>



Ways to get involved:

We are always looking for parents to help at school events to support our music students. Here are some upcoming volunteer and donation opportunities!

**February 2** is the first Winter Guard competition. We need a parent (or parents) who can help transport the tarp at each event, and we need some snacks donated.

You can see the details and sign up to help here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4BA8AD2CA1FF2-54324000-winter#/>

**February 6** is the next Music Booster parent meeting - we will be discussing the upcoming events in February and March, and how you can help!

**Join the Music Booster Facebook Group!**

This is a great place to stay up to date on all the happenings in the music dept.

Please note that you must answer all questions to be admitted to the group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/426026101343338/> Thank you!

# ILMEA

Congratulations to Suzy Summers for representing EPCHS in the ILMEA All-State Chorus!

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## SSC Band

The Following students represented EPCHS at the SSC Band Festival

Juliana Bosch  
Adrian Buenrostro  
Joe Duffy  
Quinn Farrell  
Alex Francisco  
AJ Landry  
Isaiah Matthews  
Zion McCadd  
Erin Wade  
Ilaan Wheeler  
Trevor Wolfe

## Elmhurst Honor Band

The Following students will represent EPCHS at the Elmhurst Honor Band Festival

11-12

Juliana Bosch  
Adrian Buenrostro  
Micheal DiPasalegne  
Ilaan Wheeler

9-10

Jay Dumont  
Ava Osterloh  
Will Rodriguez





# The Evergreen Park Winter Concert







# Band

By Jay Dumont (9)

## What happened?

SSC

Elmhurst honors band

The Evergreen Park band was proud to host the SSC band festival including nominating our own band members. Congratulations all the band members attending The SSC Band Festival! Make EP proud! The SSC Band Festival is a concert band festival comprised of band members nominated from each school in the south suburban area.

In concert band we are working on contest music and some people are working on their Solo ensemble music.

The 2025 Elmhurst Midwest honor band hosted at Elmhurst university is SATURDAY 1/18! The Elmhurst honor band is a festival with bands consisting of grades 11-12 and grades 9-10. There are 7 members of the EP band going! GO MUSTANGS!



## Sectionals coming up

1/22

Woodwind and brass 6:00-7:30

Percussion 6:00-8:00

1/29

Woodwind and brass 6:00-7:30

Percussion 6:00-8:00





# Winter Guard

The winter Guard has been hard at work preparing their show for the 2025 season. They practice several days a week during 0 Block. The energy has been contagious!

Come see what they have been working so hard on during the following competitions:

- **February 2nd:** Naperville Central High School
- **February 16th:** Schaumburg High School
- **March 9th:** Rolling Meadows High School
- **March 16th:** Hersey High School
- **March 29th:** Championships at Andrew High School



# MUSIC Classes

Ask your counselor about  
these classes at EPCHS

## Band/Choir:

- **Lunch Choir**
  - **Class Choir** is a great way to learn more about music literacy and sight reading.
- **Concert Band/Marching Band**
  - Learn how to apply your knowledge of music within an instrumental ensemble
- **Beginning Band**
  - an opportunity to learn a secondary instrument or re-learn how to play an instrument you played in middle school.
- **Jazz Band**
  - Develop Jazz Technique on an instrument you already know how to play.



## General Music:

- **Rock Band/Rock Band 2**
  - Learn about the history of Rock!
  - Learn how to play the Guitar, Bass, Drums, and Keyboard!
  - No Experience Required!
- **Technology in the Performing Arts**
  - Use Garage Band to create your own music
  - Learn how to operate sound and lighting equipment
- **World Music**
  - Learn about and play the music of other cultures
- **AP Music Theory**
  - A Great way to prepare for college or boost your understanding of music





# Choir

By AJ Landry (12) and Mr. Scalf



In December, our choir performed their Winter Concert featuring pieces such *The Great Clear Twilight* and Christmas Carol-oke! The concert was incredibly successful, both the choir and band gave amazing performances. Great job everyone!

In Lunch Choir, our singers are working on preparing for the SSC choir festival on March 5th. We will travel to TF North during the school day and perform 2 or 3 of the pieces for our Spring set for a panel of clinicians as well as the other schools in our South Suburban Conference.

Singers at EPCHS are also preparing selections for Solo and Ensemble on March 8th. Volunteer choir members are independently preparing solos, duets, and trios for the competition. It is a great opportunity for feedback and personal growth!





# Madrigals

In December, the Madrigals toured around the community to bring Holiday Cheer to Evergreen Park. They performed for OSF Little Company of Mary, Bethel Bible Church, the Chamber of Commerce, and the EP Podcast.



Unaccompanied Minors started their rehearsals this last Monday. They are an a cappella group made up of 17 auditioned singers. They will be rehearsing throughout the Spring to prepare for the Spring Celebration, as well as community performances around EP.

# Unaccompanied Minors



# Drama!

By Suzy Summers (12)

The cast and crew have been working very hard three times a week to create the magical Fairytale that is *Cinderella*! With a mix of the original fairytale and some elements of present day social issues, this show is one for all ages that you definitely won't want to miss!

The cast will be performing an elementary show for some of the wonderful students in D124 before opening to the public on Friday, February 28th!

## Performance dates:

Friday, February 28th (7pm)


Saturday, March 1st (7pm)

Sunday, March 2nd (2pm,  
character lunch offered at  
checkout)

Buy tickets at the link below,  
for this fairytale is sure to sell  
out fast!

<https://cur8.com/16672/project/127097>

EPCHS DRAMA PRESENTS



RODGERS + HAMMERSTEIN'S  
**CINDERELLA**

February 28th	7 p.m.
March 1st	7 p.m.
March 2nd	2 p.m.

Character Lunch  
available on Sunday!

