August 16, 2016

Dear Band Members (old, new, and prospective),

Welcome (or welcome back)! I hope that everyone had a great summer. We have many exciting events scheduled this Fall, including the annual Sul Ross Marching Clinic and Competition with guest clinician Kenny Capshaw (director of the UTEP Marching Miners), Homecoming Alumni Band, and the President’s Tree Lighting Ceremony.

**Wind Ensemble** rehearsals begin **MONDAY**, August 22 at 4 P.M. in FAB 100. This October, among other works, we will be performing the world premiere of Walter S. Hartley’s *Wood-Notes Wild: Overture for Band* (2010).

**Marching Band** rehearsals begin **TUESDAY**, August 23 at 4 P.M. in FAB 100. Our show music is a *Salute to the 60s* featuring the music of the Rolling Stones, The Association, Simon and Garfunkel, and the Kinks. We also have many new and old stand tunes that are soon to be favorites.

**Big Bend Community Band** rehearsals begin **TUESDAY**, September 6 at 7:30 P.M. in FAB 100. This Fall, we will be playing a Halloween concert at the AISD Auditorium and a Christmas concert with the Big Bend Community Chorus.

Each ensemble is looking for new members so please help us to get the word out! Scholarships are available to eligible Sul Ross students for SRSU instrumental ensembles. We also offer private lessons and several interesting courses if your degree allows for electives: Fundamentals of Conducting, Brass Techniques, Music History I, Music Appreciation, Music Theory I/Sight Singing and Ear Training I, and of course the other ensembles: choir, guitar ensemble.

We look forward to seeing you all very soon! Calendars will be distributed during the first meetings for each group.

Sincerely,
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