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**FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT
2005-2006 SCHOOL YEAR**

Attached you will find highlights and a summary of accomplishments from the 2005-2006 school year.

Although you will find many events/accomplishments, this is only a summary of the many outstanding programs which take place on a monthly basis in the Fine and Performing Arts Department during the school year.

We are fortunate in the Chelmsford Public Schools to have such an outstanding and accomplished faculty which consistently goes above and beyond to provide a quality arts program for our students.

We look forward to continuing our successful programs and events but also look forward to expanding and improving our department for the 2006-2007 school year.

For more information on any of our programs, please contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael M. LaCava
Fine and Performing Arts Coordinator

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FACULTY

CHELMSFORD HIGH SCHOOL

MUSIC/THEATRE:

Lauren Cochran: *Guitar, Music Appreciation, Theatre/Acting*
Eric Linsner: *Band Director (Marching, Symphonic, Concert, Jazz)*
Andrea Mejia: *Assistant Concert Band Director*
Kristin Neves: *Orchestra Director*
Carl Rondina: *Chorus Director (Vocal Jazz, Treble Choir, Musical)*

ART:

Paula Brown: *Studio Art I, Studio Art II, Honors Studio Art*
Diane Cogliano: *Studio Art I, Studio Art II, Studio Art III*
Tim Darland: *Studio Art I, Computer Graphics*
Betty Gagnon: *Studio Art II, The Artist's Eye, Honors Studio Art*
Eric Hoover: *AP Art, Computer Graphics, Advanced Computer Graphics*
Nancy Redding: *Studio Art I*

CHELMSFORD MIDDLE SCHOOLS Parker/McCarthy

MUSIC

Jennifer Erdody: *Parker Chorus Director, (Show Choir), McCarthy Music Faculty*
Kristin Neves: *McCarthy Orchestra Director, Assistant Director Grade 5 Parker*
Susan Slocum: *Parker Orchestra Director, Assistant Director Grade 5 McCarthy, McCarthy Music Faculty*
Thomas Souza: *McCarthy Music Faculty, Parker Music Faculty*
Eric Linsner: *Assistant Parker Band Director*
Larry Willis: *McCarthy Band Director, (McCarthy Jazz Band), Assistant Parker Band Director*
Matthew Sexauer: *Assistant McCarthy Band Director, Parker Music Faculty*
Gretchen Preneta: *McCarthy Chorus Director, (Chamber Singers), Assistant Director Grade 7/8 Parker, Parker Music Faculty*

ART

Anita Adler: *Parker Art Faculty, McCarthy Art Faculty*
Virginia Cramer: *McCarthy Art Faculty*
Terry Karangioze: *Parker Art Faculty, McCarthy Art Faculty*
Sarah Kiley: *McCarthy Art Faculty, Parker Art Faculty*

BYAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Kate Comeau: *Music Specialist, Chorus Director*

Darleen Joos: *Art Specialist*

CENTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Madalena Alves: *Art Specialist*

Megan Errgong-Weider: *Music Specialist, Chorus Director*

Kate Comeau: *Strings Director*

HARRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Phil Donovan: *Art Specialist*

Jennifer Garcia: *Music Specialist, Chorus Director*

SOUTH ROW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Mary Margaret Sexauer: *Art Specialist*

Laura Haven: *Music Specialist, Chorus Director*

Jennifer Garcia: *Music Specialist*

WESTLANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Amy Aker: *Art Specialist*

Mary Margaret Sexauer: *Art Specialist*

Phil Donovan: *Art Specialist*

Lilia Gouarian: *Music Specialist, Chorus Director*

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

AUGUST

- Approximately 100 Chelmsford High School band students reported for a week long Band Camp held at Chelmsford High School. During the week, the students began preparing for the fall marching band season by attending sessions on marching and music.

SEPTEMBER

- The Chelmsford High School Marching Band performs at several varsity football games
- The annual "Rental Day" is held at McCarthy Middle School. At this event, students who have chosen to participate in the Performance Music Program at both middle schools attend this event to rent the instrument they will use during the school year. Approximately 275 students participate in the rental day program.

OCTOBER

- Chelmsford High School, in conjunction with the Chelmsford Friends of Music, hosted the first annual "MICCA Marching Band Preview Show" at Chelmsford High School. Bands from the area came to CHS to perform their marching band show for a slate of MICCA (Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductors Association) judges.
- At Center School, the new 4th grade String Pilot Program began. This pilot program allowed students at Center School the choice to participate in a group string lesson once per week for the year. The program proved a great success and will be expanded to all elementary schools in the 2006-2007 school year.
- The CHS Marching Band participated in the MICCA Methuen Show.
- The CHS Chapter of Tri-M (The National High School Music Honor Society) held its annual induction ceremony. Over 30 new members were inducted to the Society.
- The CHS Marching Band participated in the MICCA Wakefield Show.
- The CHS Marching Band participated in the MICCA State Finals in Framingham where they received an overall Silver Medal for their performance.

NOVEMBER

- The CHS Marching Band participated in the annual Thanksgiving Football game at Billerica.
- The CHS Marching Band marched in the annual Lowell "City of Lights" Parade. Students from CHS auditioned for the Northeast Senior District Festival/Ensembles. Nineteen (19) students were selected from the band, chorus, and orchestra to participate. In addition, thirteen students out of the nineteen received scores that were high enough to qualify them to audition for the MMEA All-State ensembles in January.

DECEMBER

- The Parker Orchestra presented their Winter Concert.
- South Row presented their Grade 4 Chorus Concert.
- McCarthy Orchestra/Chorus presented a Winter Concert.
- Harrington presented their Grade 4 Winter Concert.
- Parker Chorus presented their Winter Concert.
- CHS presented their Winter Concert.
- The CHS Chorus and Jazz Band perform at a Rotary Club Meeting.
- A variety of ensembles from both McCarthy and Parker Middle School visit several community nursing homes and community meetings.

JANUARY

- Students from CHS participated in the Northeast District Concert held at Lowell High School.
- Students from Parker and McCarthy Middle School auditioned for the Northeast Junior District Ensembles.
- McCarthy 5/6 Chorus/Orchestra Winter Concert is presented.
- McCarthy 5/6 Grade Band Winter Concert is held.
- McCarthy 7/8 Grade Band Winter Concert is held.
- Byam Grade 4 Chorus Winter Concert is presented.
- Center School Winter Concert with Chorus and Strings is presented.
- Twenty-four (24) chorus, orchestra, and band students from CHS, Parker, and McCarthy were selected to participate in the annual Northeast District Junior District Festival.
- Over 30 students from CHS, McCarthy and Parker Art Programs submitted their work to the annual Boston Globe.
- 13 students from CHS auditioned for the MMEA All-State Festival.
- Fifteen (15) pieces of artwork from CHS and McCarthy Middle School were selected as Award Winners at the annual Boston Globe State Art Festival. These pieces were then presented in a showing at the Transportation Center in Boston.
- Eight (8) students from the CHS Band, Orchestra and Chorus were selected to participate in the MMEA All-State Festival.
- Parker Grade 5 Orchestra Winter Concert is presented.

FEBRUARY

- Elementary Art Faculty attended a workshop at the Eric Carl Museum of Picture Book Art in Amherst, MA. Following the workshop, the faculty created lessons to use in the classroom based on the technique and information presented.
- McCarthy band, chorus, and orchestra students visited Westlands, Center, and South Row Elementary schools to present a concert/demonstration.
- Parker band, chorus, and orchestra students visited Byam and Harrington Elementary schools to present at concert/demonstration.
- The CHS Music Department, in conjunction with the Chelmsford Friends of Music, presented the first annual "Cabaret Night" which featured soloists and small ensembles at the Senior Center.
- The newly formed CHS Percussion Ensemble participated in their first NESBA (New England Scholastic Band Association) competition where they received second place.
- February 28th was the ground breaking ceremony for the new CHS Auditorium Project.
- CHS Jazz Band participated in the IAJE Northeast District Festival and received a Silver Medal.
- CHS Vocal Jazz and CHS Jazz Band participated in the Berklee College Jazz Festival.

MARCH

- The CHS Theatre Guild competed in the annual Massachusetts Drama Guild Festival at Ipswich High School. Several students received awards during the competition.
- The first annual "Stringfest" featuring string ensembles from Grades 4-12 was presented in the CHS Gymnasium.
- Students who received awards at the Boston Globe Art Show were recognized at the School Committee meeting.
- Students who were selected for the Northeast Junior District Concert performed with the ensembles at Lowell High School.
- Several Music Faculty members attended the annual All-State Music Conference held in Boston.
- The eight students selected for All-State rehearsed in Boston for two days and then performed at Symphony Hall in Boston.
- CHS Music Department presented their Spring Concert.
- The Art Department presented the annual art exhibit at Town Hall. The exhibit featured student work from grades K-12 and was held to recognize March as "Youth Art Month".
- The CHS Symphonic Band participated in the annual MICCA Concert Band Festival and received a Medal of Merit for their performance.

- The CHS Concert Band participated in the MICCA Concert Band Festival and received a Bronze Medal for their performance
- The CHS Orchestra participated in the MICCA Festival and received a Gold Medal for their performance.

APRIL

- The McCarthy 7/8 Chorus participated in the MICCA Choral Festival at Nashoba Regional and received a Silver Medal for their performance.
- The McCarthy 7/8 Orchestra participated in the MICCA Festival and received a Gold Medal for their performance.
- The Art Department presented the annual Town-Wide Library Art Show. The exhibit featured artwork from students in Grades K-12 selected by each art teacher.
- Byam Art, Music, and Physical Education teachers presented a 2nd grade cross-curriculum presentation featuring artwork, music, and movement. The theme this year was “underwater”.
- The CHS Percussion Ensemble participated in the NESBA State Finals for Indoor Percussion and earned First Place in their division (out of seven ensembles).
- Several Art Teachers accompanied a group of CHS students on a trip to Europe during April Vacation.
- The CHS Orchestra performed at Symphony Hall in Boston as a result of their Gold Medal performance at the MICCA festival.
- The McCarthy Middle School 7/8 Orchestra performed at Symphony Hall in Boston as a result of their Gold Medal performance at the MICCA festival.
- The McCarthy Grade 5 Chorus participated in the ACDA District Festival

MAY

- The CHS Music Department presented the annual Spring Musical “Beauty and the Beast”.
- McCarthy Middle School presented their 5/6 grade Band Concert.
- McCarthy Middle School presented their 7/8 Band Concert.
- McCarthy Middle School presented their 7/8 Chorus and Orchestra Concert.
- Parker Middle School presented their 6-8 Spring Orchestra Concert.
- Parker Middle School presented their annual 5-8 Band Concert.
- Parker Middle School presented their annual 5-8 Chorus Concert.
- South Row presented their annual Spring Chorus Concert
- CHS presented the annual “Pops” Concert in the CHS Gymnasium.
- Center School presented their annual Art and Music Night.
- The Parker Middle School 7/8 Band participated in the Great East Festival and received a Gold Medal rating.
- Students from Center School received awards from the annual Elks Club poster concert and were recognized at the School Committee meeting.
- Parker and McCarthy Choral Groups participated in the ACDA Music Festival.
- The CHS Marching Band participated in the Memorial Day Parade.

JUNE

- Harrington Elementary presented their annual Art Show.
- CHS presented the annual Recital Night.
- Westlands Elementary presented their annual Art Show.
- Byam Elementary presented their annual Art Show.
- Center School presented their Flag Day performance.
- Westlands presented their annual Spring Concert.
- McCarthy and Parker Grade 5 Orchestras presented their Spring Concert
- Parker Middle School 5-8 Chorus presented their annual “Pops” Concert.
- The CHS Band performed at the CHS Graduation Ceremonies
- Several scholarships from Chelmsford Friends of Music were presented to seniors majoring in Music next year in college.