

# Estill County Middle School Band Students perform in ECU Honors Band

This past weekend, on Saturday, December 7th, 2019, the Estill County Middle School Bands students had four stellar performances in Brock Auditorium on Eastern Kentucky Universities Campus.

The Middle School Honors Band program is hosted by ECU each fall in order to enhance the music experience for the more advanced Middle School band student. Students must be recommended by their band or orchestra directors in order to be eligible for the Honors Band.

This year there were over 1,000 students that wanted to be a part of this event, but only about 400 were accepted. The Honor Band consisted of four bands, all on different learning levels.



The Green Band was conducted by John Bowmer, Director of Bands at Beaumont Middle School. Students from Estill County Middle School Band included: Dalton Carpenter, Hunter Mays, Caitlyn Gregory, Maddy Milby, Ella Seale, Zach Young, and Kaydance Bussell.



The White Band was conducted by Kerry Evans, Band Director at Madison Middle School. Students from Estill County Middle School Band included: Brynneigh Muncy, Elizabeth Raider, Gracie Rhodus, and Kaelyn Benton.



The Blue Band was conducted by Lois Wiggins, a legend in the band world and retired Band Director of Edith J. Hayes Middle School. Students from Estill County Middle School Band included: Caden Bowles, Dalton Riddle, Ashton Hale, and Alexis Stevens.



The Red Band was conducted by Amanda Herceg, Assistant Band Director at Frederick Douglass High School. Students from Estill County Middle School Band included: Bonny Caudill, Alex Becker, Chloe Reed, and William Mullins.

The students had a full day of music education from different educators around the state and even had the opportunity to watch the ECU Wind Ensemble perform higher level band literature.

Just to put things in perspective, the students put together a concert in just four hours!

"It takes months of preparation for students, back home in their band rooms, to put a concert together, but it is amazing how much the kids have learned and how little time they had to put a full concert together," says Mr. Alex Britton, Band Director at Estill County Middle School.

Estill County Band students performed alongside students from many different schools from around Kentucky and across state lines: Beaumont, Berea Community, Bloomfield, Burgin Independent, Carithers, Christ the King, Christian Academy of Indiana, Clark-Moores, Farristown, Fleming-Neon, Foley, Henry County, Kammerer Middle, Leestown, Madison, Mary Queen of Holy Rosary, Maurice Bowling, Model Lab, Morton, Old Kentucky Home, Owsley, Powell, School for the Creative & Performing Arts, Sts. Peter and Paul Regional Catholic, Whitesburg, and Winburn Middle Schools. Hundreds of parents, band families, musicians, and directors packed the auditorium to watch these great performances.



Estill County Middle School's ECU Honors Band Students

## Community News

Mail announcements to The Estill Tribune, 6135 Winchester Road, Irvine, KY 40336 Call (606) 723-5012; Fax to (606) 723-2743; or E-mail it to <News@EstillTribune.Com>

Today, Wednesday, at 1:30pm at ECU

### Chemical Weapons Destruction

Chemical weapons destruction updates will be discussed at a quarterly public meeting to be held in Richmond on Wed., Dec. 11 at ECU. Come to the meeting to learn more about the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant.

Wednesdays, now at 5:30pm

### Beginner Yoga at Marcum-Wallace

Beginner Yoga class at Marcum & Wallace Hospital is held in the Mercy Room each Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. with instructor Laritza Gomez. The cost is one non-perishable food item for Helping Hands Outreach Ministry.

Wed., Dec. 11th or Tues., Dec. 17th

### Retirement Reception for Gail McGillis

The public is invited to attend one of the public retirement receptions to honor Gail McGillis's 26 years of service to the community: Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Compassionate Care Center, 350 Isaacs Lane in Richmond, or Tuesday, December 17, 4 - 6 p.m. at the Hospice Care Plus office, 208 Kidd Drive in Berea. At Mrs. McGillis's request, guests are encouraged to donate to Hospice Care Plus in her honor in lieu of gifts. For information, call Chasity at 859-986-1500.

Thursday, December 12th at 5:30pm

### Irvine-Ravenna Kiwanis Club

The Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna is scheduled to meet Thursday, December 12 at 5:30 p.m. at Steam Engine Pizza.

Three Saturdays in December - 10-4

### Salvation Army Red Kettles

Salvation Army Red Kettles will be placed again this year at Price Less Foods, Save-A-Lot, and Meade's Do-It Center on the first three Saturdays in December. Members of the Irvine-Ravenna Kiwanis Club, along with the Estill County Lions Club and other community volunteers, will attend the kettles and accept donations each Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. **Volunteers are needed** to ring the bells. If you would like to volunteer for two hours of bell-ringing on a Saturday in December, please call Steve Garrett at 723-3049.

Tuesday, December 17th at 6:00pm

### Holiday Card & Gift Tag Workshop

Join us at the Estill County Extension Office on Tuesday, December 17 at 6 p.m. for a Holiday Card and Gift Tag Workshop. Each participant will make 4 cards and 6 gift tags. This class is for age 10 and up and will cost \$8 (for supplies). Please stop by the Extension Office, 76 Golden Court, Irvine, to sign up and prepay no later than Friday, December 13. If you have any questions, please call the Estill County Extension Office at 606-723-4557.

Tuesday, December 17th at 6:30pm

### Estill County Lions Club

The Estill County Lions Club will meet Tuesday, Dec. 17th and on the first and third Tuesday of every month at the Irvine First Christian Church meeting room on Main Street at 6:30 p.m. Estill County Lions Club is part of Lions Club International, with 1.35 million members in 205 countries around the world.

Monday, December 23rd - 6:30pm

### Democratic Executive Committee

The Estill County Democrat Executive Committee will be meeting Monday, December 23rd at 6:30 p.m. and the 4th Monday of every month at the Estill County Public Library, 246 Main Street. For additional information you can email [Estillcountydemocrats@gmail.com](mailto:Estillcountydemocrats@gmail.com).

Friday, January 3rd at 9:00am

### Retired Co. C Guard Breakfast

Attention: All retired and former National Guard members of Charlie Company 1/149th, there will be a breakfast at Cracker Barrel, in Richmond, on Friday, Jan. 3rd, and on the first Friday of each month at 9 a.m. All are invited and welcome. Hope to see you there!

Sunday, January 5th at 2:00pm

### Amvets Post 67 in Clay City

Amvets Post 67, located at 99 Veterans Lane, Clay City holds its meeting monthly, 1st Sunday of each month at 2:00 p.m. Also, everyone is invited to Post 67 Clay City for Bingo every Monday. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 606-663-0071.

Tuesday, January 14th at 5:30pm

### Estill Democrat Woman's Club

Estill County Democrat Woman's Club will meet on Tuesday, January 14th and the second Tuesday of each month at the Estill County Golf Club from 5:30-7 p.m. Come, join us. Together we can make a difference.

Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00pm

### Estill DAV Chapter 94 to Meet

DAV Chapter 94 will be meeting at 7 p.m., January 14th and the second Tuesday of each month at Estill County Senior Citizens Center, off Stacy Lane.

If you are a veteran with 10 percent or more service connection, you are welcome. Call 1-606-663-2504 for more information. We are veterans and we would appreciate your attendance. Veterans from surrounding counties are also welcome.

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might... ISAIAH 11:1,2*

## Jeffersonville Mall

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East of Mt. Sterling in Jeffersonville

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