

# BISON BULLETIN

Fenton Community High School - District 100  
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Family Newsletter - December 2009 - Volume 8, Issue 5

## First Semester Final Exams

First semester final exams will be held on December 16, 17, and 18. All students are required to take all of their scheduled semester examinations at the designated time whether or not they are passing the course. No final exams will be given prior to December 16. Make up final exams will have to be given after Winter Break. Any student who does not report for an exam and does not have a legitimate reason for the absence will be considered unexcused. Excuses will not be accepted for reasons other than disabling illness or emergency. Students must attend regularly assigned study halls, physical education classes, and music classes. Attendance will be taken in each of these classes. Students who are caught cheating on a semester exam will receive an automatic zero for the test. The examinations are scheduled as follows below:

	Wednesday, December 16	Thursday, December 17	Friday, December 18
7:00 am - 7:50 am	0 Period Exam		
8:00 am - 9:30 am	1st Period Exam	3rd Period Exam	6th Period Exam
9:40 am - 11:10 am	2nd Period Exam	4th Period Exam	7th Period Exam
11:10 am - 11:15 am	Announcements	Announcements	Announcements
11:25 am - 12:55 pm		5th Period Exam	
Buses Leave	11:30 am	1:10 pm	11:30 am
Technology Center of DuPage	T.C.D. AM (Optional) No T.C.D. PM	No T.C.D.	No T.C.D.



### Happy Holidays!

Our holiday gift to you: the Holiday Band Concert on December 6 at 3:00 pm and the Holiday Choral Concert on December 13 at 3:00 pm! Turn to page 5 for more information! Admission is free and open to the public! Please join us!



### PADRES UNIDOS en diciembre:

**Viernes, el 11 de noviembre, 2009  
7-9 de la noche**

**en la cafetería grande de Fenton**

**Tema: Depresión, Ansiedad, Autoestima**

Vengan todos los padres hispanohablantes para ser parte de nuestra comunidad de PADRES UNIDOS. Aprendemos mucho y nos apoyamos en esta esfuerzo de apoyar a nuestros hijos.

La población estudiantil de Fenton es 43% Hispanos. Tenemos que participar en el proceso educativo de nuestros hijos. Vengan para un cafecito y para aprender!

### Market Day at Fenton

Market Day delivery is now available on a school wide basis. You can place your order on line at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) then pick up your order right here at Fenton in the small cafeteria. Our next sale date is December 2nd, with pick up between 5:00 and 6:00 pm. Help support the Bison Band, place your Market Day order today.

### REMINDER: FENTON IS A LATEX FREE SCHOOL!

Items made of latex are not allowed on Fenton High School grounds due to students and staff with severe latex allergies. Please remember that latex balloons are not allowed at school, however Mylar balloons are acceptable.

### Fenton Parent's Corner

Be sure to give your students extra support as they come down to the end of first semester. Help them balance the holiday events with schoolwork and sports, and especially during exam week. The Bensenville Library will be open until 11 pm for high school students the nights prior to exams for some quiet or group study. Then help them relax over their winter break, enjoy family time, and catch up on some "reading for pleasure".

### Wood Dale Public Library's Homework Tutoring Services

The Wood Dale Public Library would like to announce their homework tutoring service, [www.homeworkhelpil.com](http://www.homeworkhelpil.com). Homework help is available to all students, including those who live in Bensenville, when they visit the Wood Dale Public Library. However, students need a Wood Dale Public Library card to use the service at home. The Wood Dale Public Library license only allows Wood Dale library district residents remote access to the service.

Students can login by entering their Wood Dale Public Library card number at either [www.homeworkhelpil.com](http://www.homeworkhelpil.com) or [www.wooddalelibrary.org](http://www.wooddalelibrary.org).

Visit [www.homeworkhelpil.com](http://www.homeworkhelpil.com) for more details.

# A Note from the Principal



Dear Fenton Families,

Season's greetings! During the winter months, we are often hit with extremely cold and snowy weather. Please see the bottom of this page for information on Fenton's new Late Start Plan. The Late Start Plan was created to allow extra travel time to school on bad weather days, while avoiding the need to use emergency closing days. Fenton families will be notified of a Late Start Plan day by a phone call to each household. Families can also check Fenton's website, [www.emergencyclosings.com](http://www.emergencyclosings.com), or local news stations to see if Fenton is in session on a bad weather day. If you have questions about how the Late Start Plan works, please call Fenton at 630-766-2500.

It is hard to believe we are now in the final month of first semester! Please remember that once again semester final exams will be held BEFORE winter break. It is important that students be in attendance on December 16, 17, and 18 in order to complete their final exams. No early final exams will be given. We wish all students good luck with their semester exams.

I hope you are able to enjoy the two concerts from the Music Department, as well as the many athletic events this month. The Holiday Band Concert will be held on December 6 at 3:00 pm and the Holiday Choir Concert will be held on December 13 at 3:00 pm. Both concerts will be held in the Lewis-Huffman Auditorium and are free and open to the public. Visit the Fenton website, [www.fenton100.org](http://www.fenton100.org), or the calendar on page 3 of this newsletter for December sports dates. Go Bison!

I would like to extend a big thank you to all the volunteers that helped with the Young Hearts For Life Cardiac Screening program at Fenton on November 6. With the help of over 50 volunteers—parents and community members—we were able to assist the Midwest Heart Community Foundation in giving over 845 students free EKGs. We couldn't have done it without our volunteers! Thank you!

Sincerely,

*Todd Leden*

Todd Leden  
Principal, Fenton High School



## Fenton Introduces the Late Start Plan

With the arrival of the colder weather months, Fenton High School District 100 introduces the **Late Start Plan**. The Late Start Plan allows ample time for roadways to be cleared, therefore providing safer travel to school for students and staff. The Plan also allows for less emergency closing days due to weather and other emergencies – therefore hopefully avoiding extending the school year to make-up for emergency closing days.

When District 100 determines that weather conditions or an emergency situation warrants the Late Start Plan, Fenton families will be notified in the same manner they would be notified on an Emergency Closing Day. Each family will receive a phone call with a pre-recorded message alerting of the Late Start Plan day. In case the system is unable to reach you by phone, announcements will be made over the following radio and television stations:

- |                            |                      |               |               |
|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| CBS Channel 2              | WMAQ – NBC Channel 5 | ABC Channel 7 | WGN Channel 9 |
| WFLD – FOX Channel 32 (12) | CLTV – News          | WGN – 720 AM  | WBBM – 780 AM |

Parents and students can also check for Late Start Plan days and Emergency Closing Day information the following ways:

1. Go to [www.emergencyclosings.com](http://www.emergencyclosings.com) and search for Fenton High School.
2. Call (847) 238-1234 from a touch-tone phone and enter Fenton's main phone number (630) 766-2500.
3. Receive an email notification by signing up at [www.emergencyclosings.com](http://www.emergencyclosings.com).

On Late Start Plan days, the school day will begin at 10:00 am and end at the regular ending time of 3:07 pm. **All bus pick-up times will be exactly two hours later.** All classes will meet according to the schedule at right. Zero hour classes will not be held on Late Start Plan days. As always with inclement weather, parents reserve the right to excuse their son or daughter from school.

The school building will be open at 7:00 am as usual with supervision on Late Start Plan days, , should students need to be dropped off early.

**Other important details of Late Start Plan days include:**

- The cafeteria will be open and lunches will be available.
- FACT will not be in session and FACT students are expected to work from home.
- Due to the modified schedule, only PM TCD students will attend TCD.
- If Partners for Success is in session, transportation will be provided.
- Administration will determine if after school activities and sports will be held based on weather and safety conditions.
- No AM penalties will be held. Administration will determine if PM penalties will be held based on weather and safety conditions.

Late Start Plan		
Period	Time	
0		(No zero hour classes)
1	10:00–10:31 am	
2	10:36–11:07 am	
3	11:12–11:48 am	(5 extra minutes for announcements)
5	11:53 am–1:18 pm	B 11:53 am – 12:18 pm
		C 12:23 – 12:48 pm
		A 12:53 – 1:18 pm
4	1:23–1:54 pm	
6	1:59–2:30 pm	
7	2:35–3:07 pm	

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## Great News from District 100

### Speech Team Begins Season with a Successful Start

The FHS speech team has had an astonishing start to their winter season. Each weekend the team competes at a different school's tournament where they perform in three rounds during the morning and a possible fourth round in the afternoon. The team consists of fourteen different events and 39 talented members. Speech team is coached by the English department's Ms. Hendricks, Mr. Mitchell and Mrs. Jackson and aided by captains Maricruz Salgado and Samantha Shimanek. For the first tournament of the season, the speech team attended the Streamwood Sabre Speech Novice tournament and returned with amazing results. The following students placed in their events: Alex Olmos and Christina Santiago, Thalia Anguiano and Adriana Tronco, Mike Smirat and Vincenzo Bartolomeo, McKenzie Kern, Kanaan Konno, Reeve Wallis, Peter Panos and Agnes Miklas, Gabi Garrett, Chris Bango, Emily Johnson, Alyssa Mathews, Vicki Johnson, Karina Rivera, Jackie Nelson-Shelton, Amanda Baker, Janel Webster, Kassie Heeter, and Danny Sanchez. The second tournament at Warren was very successful as well and the following students also placed in their respective events: Karina Rivera, Jackie Nelson-Shelton, Harita Joshi, Alyssa Mathews, Emily Johnson, Agnes Miklas and Peter Panos, Adriana Tronco and Thalia Anguiano, Mike Smirat and Vincenzo Bartolomeo, Kassie Heeter, and Janel Webster. The first varsity tournament of the year at Fremd High School continued to prove successful: Samantha Shimanek, Reeve Wallis, Emily Johnson and Janel Webster placed in their events. Upcoming tournaments include Elk Grove on December 5<sup>th</sup> and Naperville Central on December 12<sup>th</sup> and all are welcome to attend to support our team.



### Landin and Mejia Accepted Into IMEA Honor Ensembles

The Fenton High School Music Department would like to congratulate the following students for being accepted into the Illinois Music Educators Association District 1 Concert & Jazz Honors Ensembles held last month. They are: Armando Mejia '10, Euphonium and Kiara Landin '10, voice. These students compete with music students from across Chicagoland in a rigorous audition. Only the best musicians are chosen to participate in the honors ensemble.

### NHS Collects \$2,500 for UNICEF

This year, the Fenton National Honor Society collected \$2,500 for the Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF campaign. This well exceeds the goal of \$1,500. And, because of a matching donation from the Bensenville Rotary, a total of \$5000 will be contributed to UNICEF to help fight against polio worldwide. NHS members from the sophomore class collected the most money, while the team of NHS members Joanna Makowiecki '10 and Monica Makowiecki '12 was the top fundraising team overall.

### Congratulations First Semester Fenton Faces

Each quarter, every department selects a student who has made an outstanding contribution to a class or activity in that department. Students are chosen for demonstrating good character above and beyond what is expected, completing an exceptional project, or for being a positive mentor for fellow students. Students chosen as Fenton Faces are recognized at a breakfast and their pictures, along with a description of why they were chosen, is displayed in the school. The following students were named Fenton Faces for first semester of the 2009-2010 school year:

#### Applied Technology

Dominik Miaso '11  
Zack Paradowski '10

#### Family and Consumer Sciences

Alejandra Cardenas '11  
Rachel Thomas '12

#### Math

Diana Rodriguez '13

#### Science

Ian Johnson '10  
Melanie Fields '12

#### Art

Christian Burgos '11  
Ashley Dawson '12

#### Foreign Language

Iwona Niemic '10  
Justin Sbeih '12

#### Music

Aidalai Aburto '11  
Briana Gilmore '11

#### Social Studies

Cody Barton '11  
Eric Hermansen '10  
Raul Reyes '12

#### Business Education

Michael Mach '10  
Lissette Vega '11

#### Guidance Department

Austin Vassar '11  
Claire Wassinger '11  
Faye Wassinger '11

#### Physical Education

Annette Oddo '10  
Parish Turner '10

# DECEMBER 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>*For more school information and updates, visit <a href="http://www.fenton100.org">www.fenton100.org</a>.</p> <p>*Sports schedules are subject to change. Please call the Sports Information Hotline at 630-238-7100 for up-to-date sports information.</p>		<p><b>1</b></p> <p>GB H River.-Brookfield S 5:30 pm GB A River.-Brookfield F 5:30 pm GB H River.-Brookfield V 7:00 pm BB A Reavis S 6:00 pm BB A Reavis V 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Choir Boosters 6:00 pm Bison Boosters 7:00 pm</p> <p>BBWL A Hinsdale Cen. J/V/V 4:30 GGYM A Glenbard So. J/V/V 6:00</p>	<p><b>3</b> <b>2:07 pm Dismissal</b> Advisory 4th Period</p> <p>WRE H Downers Gr. N. S/V 6:00</p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>Orange and Blue Day</b></p> <p>BB A Ridgewood S 5:30 pm BB A Ridgewood V 7:00 pm GB A Ridgewood V 5:30 pm GB A Ridgewood S 7:00 pm GGYM A Wheeling V 6:30 pm</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>BB A Ridgewood FAFB 9/10:30 BB A Ridgewood SB 10:30 am BB A Ridgewood JV 9:00 am GB H Ridgewood FA 9:00 am GB H Ridgewood FB 10:30 am GB H IMSA S/V 4:30/6:00 pm WRE H Weiss Invite V 9:00 am WRE A Geneva In. F/S 9:00 am GBWL A Palatine In. J/V/V 9 am GGYM A Niles No. All 11:00 am BBWL A Vernon Hills V 11:30am</p>
<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Holiday Band Concert 3:00 pm</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>GBWL H Morris J/V/V 4:00 pm BBWL A St. Edward J/V/V 4:30 pm BB H Immaculate Con. HV 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Elementary Music Program in AM</p> <p>GB A Timothy Chr. F 4:30 pm GB A Timothy Chr. S 6:00 pm GB A Timothy Chr. V 7:30 pm BBWL A Huntley J/V/V 4:30 pm BB H Timothy Chr. JV 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>GBWL A St. Edward J/V/V 4:30 pm BB H Immaculate Con. FA 5:30 pm BB H Immaculate Con. FB 7:00 pm BB A Maine South JV 6:00 pm GGYM A Batavia J/V/V 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>10</b> <b>2:07 pm Dismissal</b></p> <p>BSWM H Morton J/V/V 4:30 pm GGYM A Maine So. ALL 5:30 pm</p>	<p><b>11</b> <b>Orange and Blue Day</b></p> <p>Holiday Assembly</p> <p>Padres Unidos Meeting 7-9 pm Small Cafeteria</p> <p>BB A Elmwood Park S 5:30 pm BB A Elmwood Park V 7:00 pm GB A Elmwood Park V 5:30 pm GB A Elmwood Park S 7:00 pm</p>	<p><b>12</b> ACT Test <a href="http://www.actstudent.org">www.actstudent.org</a> for details/locations</p> <p>WRE A Olentangy Lib. V 8:30am WRE A Rolling Meadows F 9:30 BB A Elmwood Park FA 9:00 am BB A Elmwood Park FB 10:30am GB H Elmwood Park F 9:00 am GBWL A Plainfield No. V 9:00am BBWL A Rock. Guil. J/V/V 12:30 BSWM A Plainfield So. J/V/V 1:00 BB A Moline S/V 5:30/7:00 pm</p>
<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Holiday Choir Concert 3:00 pm</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>School Board Meeting 7:30 pm</p> <p>GB A Morton F 4:30 pm GB A Morton S 6:00 pm GB A Morton V 7:30 pm BB H St. Patrick SB 4:30 pm BB H St. Patrick JV 6:45 pm</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>BSWM A Hinsdale So. J/V/V 5:00</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>BBWL A Minooka J/V/V 4:00 pm</p> <p><b>First Semester Final Exams Periods 0, 1, &amp; 2</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>WRE A Riverside-Brook. All 5:00 BSWM A Maine East J/V/V 5:00</p> <p><b>First Semester Final Exams Periods 3, 4, &amp; 5</b></p>	<p><b>18</b> End of 2nd Quarter <b>Orange and Blue Day</b></p> <p>WRE A Hinsdale Cent. V 4:30 pm</p> <p><b>First Semester Final Exams Periods 6 &amp; 7</b></p> <p>BB H Illiana Chr. S/V 5:30/7:00pm GB H Illiana Chr. S/V 5:30/7:00 pm</p>	<p><b>19</b> GB A St. Viator V TBA GB A Illiana Chr. FA 9:00 am GB A Illiana Chr. FB 10:30 am BB H Illiana Chr. FA 9:00 am BB H Illiana Chr. FB 10:30 am BB A Glenbard West V 3:00 pm WRE A St. Joseph F 9:30 am WRE A Maine East S 9:00 am WRE A Hinsdale Cent. V 9:30am GBWL A Lockport J/V/V 9:00 am BSWM A Leyden V 11:00 am GGYM A Addison Tr. V 11:00am</p>
<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>GB A Immaculate Con. S TBA GB A St. Viator S TBA BB A Glenbard West V 3:00 pm</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>GB A Immaculate Con. S TBA GB A St. Viator TBA BB A Glenbard West V 3:00 pm</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>GB A Immaculate Con. S TBA GB A St. Viator TBA WRE H Triangular S/V 9:00 am BB A Glenbard West TBA</p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>GB A Immaculate Con. S TBA GB A St. Viator TBA</p>
<b>NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK</b>						
<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>BB A Glenbard East S TBA BB A Glenbard East FA/FB TBA BBWL A Plainfield Cent. J/V/V 9:00</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>BB A Glenbard East S TBA BB A Glenbard East FA/FB TBA WRE A Rolling Meadows V 9:00</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>BB A Glenbard East S TBA BB A Glenbard East FA/FB TBA WRE A Addison Trail All 9:00 am</p>	<p><b>31</b></p>		
<b>NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK</b>						
		<p>WRE A Sandwich JV 9:00 am GGYM A Maine West V 6:00 pm</p>				

## Guidance Office News

To stay up-to-date on Guidance Office activities, please visit [www.fenton100.org/guidance](http://www.fenton100.org/guidance). On this website you will find information on scholarships, financial aid, the ACT, career planning, college visits, and more.

Would you like to receive the new Guidance Department E-Newsletter? This monthly newsletter will be e-mailed to students and parents that are interested in receiving useful information on guidance office activities, college planning, financial aid, and testing. To start receiving the newsletter, please send an e-mail to Sarah McDougal, Guidance Department Chair, at [mcdougal@fenton100.org](mailto:mcdougal@fenton100.org).

### Upcoming College Visit

See the Guidance Office for additional information about college visits.

12/1 Robert Morris University 9:00 am

### WhatsNextIllinois.org

As part of their ongoing mission to make college accessible and affordable for all Illinois students, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) is pleased to announce the launch of [WhatsNextIllinois.org](http://WhatsNextIllinois.org). This website is a comprehensive, interactive one-stop career and college planning resource that provides tools needed to improve college opportunity and lifelong success. The website includes information on college and career planning, college applications, and test preparation.

### Reminders to Parents from the Administration

**Attendance Reminder:** Please remember to call your student in for their absence if they will not be in school. Parents and only parents are responsible to call their student out within 48 hours of the absence. Calls after 48 hours will not be accepted and the student will be considered truant. The number to call is 630-860-4949.

**Cell Phone Reminder:** Please do not call or text your students during the school day. Students are required to go to the nurse and have the nurse call the parent in order to be sent home. Students may also go the attendance office and speak with their dean. Thank you for your cooperation.



Please contact the Dean's Office with any questions regarding attendance or cell phone use at school.

### College Librarians Speak to Senior English Classes on Expectations

Librarians Marge Peters and Karla Aleman from the College of DuPage Library, as well as Jacob Hill and Peg Cook from the A.C.Buehler Library at Elmhurst College, spoke to students from senior English classes on November 17 and November 24 in the Media Center. They discussed what students can expect in when they arrive as college freshman, emphasizing the independent nature of college life. No one will be checking to make sure that they attend class or complete assignments. But, the librarians also listed the many offices on college campuses where students can go for help. Jacob Hill, from Elmhurst College, named librarians as the "Swiss army knives" of college campuses because they can help students with such a wide variety of questions.

Other topics included informational ethics, how to avoid plagiarism and properly citing other people's work, as well as research and computer literacy expectations of college professors.



### Mr. Wiess Presents at the IBEA Fall Conference

Fenton's Business Education teacher, Mr. Richard Wiess, recently presented at the Illinois Business Education Association Fall Conference which took place in Effingham, Illinois. His presentation to fellow Business Education teachers was entitled *Teaching AP Economics in Business Education*. The conference consisted of approximately 60 sessions which included hands-on computer sessions as well as class content presentations in all areas of business instruction. Conferences like this are an invaluable tool to allow teachers to learn about new teaching techniques to better serve our students.

### Fenton Academic Team

Second semester will be a busy time for the Fenton Academic Team who will be hosting the IHSSBCA Turnabout Tournament on Saturday, January 9 and hosting the Illinois NAQT State Championship Tournament on Saturday, February 27.

Community members are welcome to attend and cheer on the Academic Team. For more information on the Fenton Academic Team, contact coach Mike Laudermith at [laudermith@fenton100.org](mailto:laudermith@fenton100.org).

## Bison Booster and Fenton Athletics

### Bison Booster News

We had a great time at the Halloween in the Park. We gave away 200 pumpkins that were donated by Dominick's and all the kids had fun. Thank you to all that came out to help! Last month we had a dine/out at Mario's Deli it was a great success! Thank you for supporting the Boosters. This month's dine/out will be held on Friday, December 11 at Francesco's Pizza they are open for lunch and dinner. Francesco's is located at 1207 W. Irving Park Road Bensenville. Their phone number is 630-766-6567 and their fax number is 630-766-6567. Just mention the FENTON BOOSTERS and they will donate a portion of the sales that day to the Boosters.

If you get a chance stop by down town Bensenville and see the Christmas tree we decorated. It was a lot fun for everyone.

Winter sports have begun. Please consider volunteering an hour or two of your time at the concession stand. We are always looking for help. All of the proceeds go toward scholarships and wish lists for all the different sports we have at Fenton.

For information on the concession date's please visit our web site [www.bisonboosters.com](http://www.bisonboosters.com) you can also contact Dave Carroll at [boosterdave@comcast.net](mailto:boosterdave@comcast.net) 630-915-6391.

We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 6 at 7:00 pm in the teachers' lounge. Please come and join us.

### Bison Girls Basketball

The girls basketball season started on November 2 with high expectations. A large number of female athletes have begun try outs and are ready to compete in order to have a successful season. The varsity and sophomore Lady Bison kick off December against Riverside-Brookfield starting at 5:30 pm while the freshmen team opens up at home on December 12 at 9:00 am versus Elmwood Park. Come out and support the Lady Bison basketball teams. To see a complete game schedule visit the Fenton website at [www.fenton100.org](http://www.fenton100.org).



### Bison Boys Basketball

The 2009-2010 boys varsity basketball season opens play in the 24<sup>th</sup> annual Chuck Mitchell Thanksgiving Tournament, November 23-25 and the 27<sup>th</sup> at Fenton.

The Bison play the Grenadiers of Elk Grove on Monday, November 23, the Lancers of Lake Park on Tuesday, November 24 and the Wildcats of Libertyville on Wednesday, November 25. All games begin at 7:45 pm. On Friday, November 27, the Bison are in action once again with the opponent and time to be determined by team records over the previous three dates.

Leading the Bison cagers are senior returnees Emeka Umeadi, Vince Esposito, Sebastian Baran, Cody Meyer, Terrance Southward, Tim Ohrn and Travis Masters. Rounding out the Bison roster are juniors Dan Montano, Zach Piotrowski, Will Payne, Rob Palumbo, Kyle Moriarty and Danny Diaz. The Bison are hoping to bounce back from last year's disappointing 6-22 record.

## Band and Choir Notes

### Band News

The Fenton High School band will host the annual Holiday Band Concert on Sunday, December 6 at 3:00 pm in the Lewis-Huffman Auditorium. Highlights will include the Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, and Symphonic Wind Ensemble performing works from Leroy Anderson, Count Basie, Tchaikovsky, and more. This year's concert will also feature the voice of Mr. Mike Mitchell as he narrates our performance of "Twas The Night Before Christmas." This unique performance is a great story for kids!

The Music Department will host several community elementary schools at the annual Elementary Holiday Music Program on Tuesday, December 8 from 9:30-10:30 am. Elementary age students will hear the Swing Choir, Concert Choir, and Symphonic Wind Ensemble perform in concert.

The Pep Band has been invited to perform as the featured pep band at a Northwestern University men's basketball game. They will be performing on the evening of December 22 when the Wildcats take on Central Connecticut. Tickets are available at the Northwestern University Athletics website.

The Band Boosters will be meeting on Monday, November 30 at 6:00 pm in the band room. All interested parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Holiday season Scrip gift cards are now available. Order forms can be found at [www.fenton100.org/musicweb/boosters.htm](http://www.fenton100.org/musicweb/boosters.htm) or contact Donna Lange 630-616-8309 or [del6164@sbcglobal.net](mailto:del6164@sbcglobal.net).

### December Choir Dates

- Choir Boosters Meeting: December 2 at 6:00 pm
- Wood Dale Tree Lighting: December 5
- Elementary Holiday Concert: December 8
- Holy Ghost Church Performance: December 8
- Wood Dale Chamber of Commerce: December 10
- Fenton Holiday Assembly: December 11
- Choral Concert: December 13 at 3:00 pm

### Fenton Chess Team

Congratulations to the Fenton Chess team for opening the 2009-2010 chess season with a historic win! The Bison traveled to Elmhurst last night and defeated west suburban power York 52-16. Individual recognition goes to Sheraz Khan, David Garcia, Alex Bernal, Preetesh Patel, Kanaan Konno, and Andrew Krajewski for their victories.



Chess club meets weekly in room 74 and new members are always welcome. The chess club is growing each week. 50 students regularly come to learn to play or refine their skills.