

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our October Unit 5 Music Parents (U5MP) update! We're excited to share the latest news, upcoming events, and ways you can stay involved and support our incredible student musicians. Please keep reading for this month's updates and opportunities.

### **Upcoming Meeting:**

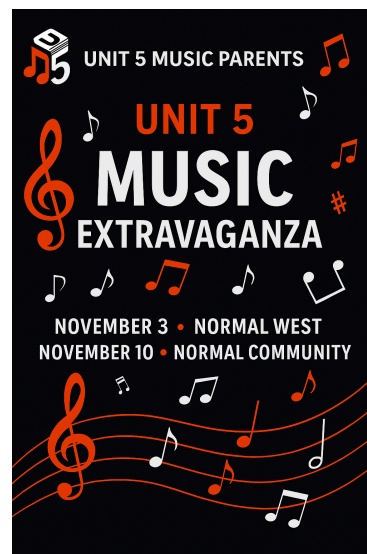
Join us at our next meeting on **Nov. 24th at 7:00pm in the Normal West High School IMC**. At each meeting, you'll hear updates from music programs across the district, find out about upcoming fundraising events, and more. [Minutes from our previous meetings](#) are posted on the U5MP website. Save the dates for our future meetings throughout the year.

| 1st Semester:<br>Normal West IMC at 7:00pm | 2nd Semester:<br>Normal Community IMC at 7:00pm |
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| Aug 25th                                   | Jan 26th  |
| Sept 29th                                  | Feb 23rd  |
| Oct 27th                                   | Apr 27th  |
| Nov 24th                                   | May 18th  |

### **Music Extravaganza:**

Our biggest fundraising event of the year, Music Extravaganza, is coming up soon! Check out the [Music Extravaganza website](#), along with the [informational letter](#) shared from your director, for details and updates. Here's how you can help:

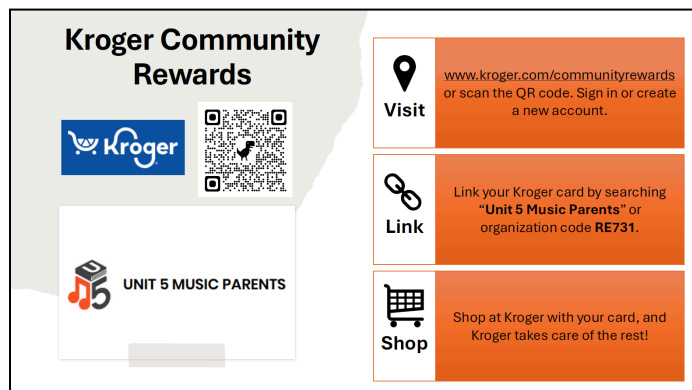
- **Attend the Concerts:**
  - Monday, November 3rd @ Normal West HS
  - Monday, November 10th @ Normal Community HS
  - Visit our [website](#) for the full performance line up of each concert!
- **Order Dinner & Desserts:**
  - Make your evening even more special with delicious meals from Nelson's Catering and desserts from Braker's Market and Sugar Mama Bakery. All food is served in convenient to-go containers, perfect for enjoying in the cafeteria or at home! [Order today!](#)
  - For the Normal West concert, food orders must be placed by Oct. 24th.
  - For the Normal Community concert, food orders must be placed by Oct. 31st.
- **Volunteer:**
  - We need helping hands to make these concerts run smoothly! Please consider volunteering. Sign-ups are available on the [Music Extravaganza](#) website.
- **Social Media Promotion:**
  - Use the sample [social media posts and graphics](#) to share and promote this event on your social channels. Help us spread the word!



## 💖 Other Fundraising Opportunities:

There are a few other ways you can support U5MP!

- **Kroger Community Rewards:** Turn your grocery runs into donations by enrolling in Kroger Community Rewards. Every time you shop, Kroger donates a portion of your purchase to U5MP, at no extra cost to you. Check out our [website](#) for quick steps to sign up and start supporting U5MP!
- **Stay Connected:** Please fill out the [U5MP Parent Information Form](#) to get connected, receive updates, and explore ways to get involved through volunteering and events.
- **Donate:** Can't volunteer but still want to support our music programs? [Donate today](#) and help keep music thriving in our schools.



## 📅 Upcoming Events:

Stay up to date with the fantastic music events happening around the district by viewing the [Unit 5 Music Department Calendar](#) from the U5MP website. Come out to as many events as you can to support our music students!

🎵 **Join Unit 5 Music Parents:** [Learn more about U5MP](#) and get involved to help support our music programs across the district. Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for updates throughout the year.

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