

2024
Clinton-Massie
Marching
Band



Informational Packet

The 2024 Marching Band Show is . . .

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*I am excited to begin the 2024 marching band season. Together we can make this an amazing season! This packet and meeting are to make sure that EVERYONE understands the requirements, schedule, and details for the season. Parents are asked to look over the schedule ahead of time. Email me with any problems or questions now. I hope you and your child sign up for this awesome activity! I must have a list of marching band members before the school year ends! **Please complete the needed registration/contract by May 17th.***

Attendance and Attitude

The key to all successful groups is attendance and attitude. Attendance is key for all members. We ask that everyone attend all practices, games, and competitions. We understand that kids are sharing us with other activities. We will create a contract for all directors/coaches. Students are expected to share and miss practices for BOTH activities (not just band). A game or competition will always take importance over practice.

Parents are to communicate all absences. Please look ahead and let us know of conflicts ahead of time. Please try to work out possible conflicts ahead of time. This will help us all with issues. If a student is at school and doesn't attend a practice (without a valid excuse) they will either lose 3rd quarter privileges or not march halftime.

PE Waiver - (only read if you are going into high school/ middle school students can skip)

Students who complete 2 years of marching band will be "waived" from high school PE classes. Students must attend practices and performances. Students must complete a "school PE waiver" form. The form needs to be completed during band camp. I collect all forms and turn them into our athletic director.

New Members/Parents -

As you read the information you may get overwhelmed. Please understand that I do my best to communicate everything to you in advance. So in the beginning it seems like a lot of information/dates. But as the season progresses you will see things are spread out. Don't let the schedule or another activity turn you away. I will work with you to make sure this is a great experience for you and your family.

Summer Dates

Mini Dates Before This Year - These dates are important to pass out all music, get to know each other, and begin our practices. We understand you may be busy here, but please communicate with us so we can get you your stuff. New members not 100% positive about the activity . . . this a great way to make sure this activity is for you!

Pre Summer Marching Band Rehearsals - 2:45 - 5:00 pm

Tuesday, May 21st

Wednesday, May 23rd

July -

- 1. Conditioning Days (if you are in town, we would like you to attend)**
 - Wednesday, July 10th 9 am - noon
 - Thursday, July 11th - 9 am - noon
 - Wednesday, July 17th - 9 am - noon
 - Thursday, July 18th - 9 am - noon

- 2. Rookies and Senior Leader Day - Friday, July 19th 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Lunch will be provided!**

- 3. Percussion and Guard Days - These groups need to prep before camp. They will be adding some days in July. Stay tuned for details.**

- 4. Full Band Camp Week - **Currently all dinners will be provided ****
 - a. July 22nd 8 am - 8 pm
 - b. July 23rd 8 am - 8 pm
 - c. July 24th 8 am - 5 pm ** Talent show night **
 - d. July 25th 8 am - 8 pm
 - e. July 26th 8 am - 8 pm - Parent preview night

- 5. Band Camp Schedule**
 - a. 8 am - noon at the stadium
 - b. inside music rehearsal after lunch until around 4:00pm
 - c. Break time and dinner for the band
 - d. Evening practice from around 5:30 - 8 pm

August Dates Before School - We have two weeks between band camp and school starting. We understand these weeks may be the last minute trip. Please help us by communicating any conflicts.

Tues. July 30th - 9 am - noon

Thurs. August 1st - 9 am - noon

Tues. August 6th - 9 am - noon

Thurs. August 8th - 9 am - noon

School year Schedule -

1. **Monday - 2:30 - 5:30**
2. **Thursday - 2:30 - 5:30**
3. **The first week of school no Monday practice, we will start on Thursday, August 15th.**
4. **This year we are adding two, possibly three Friday practices. The plan is after school until 5:00 pm.**
 - a. **Friday, Sept 6th (no practice on Labor Day)**
 - b. **Friday, Oct 11th**
 - c. **Friday, Oct 16th ** possible ** (depending on the season)**

School Year Schedule Performances -

Due to levy issues, we do not have transportation to games/competitions. We are working to figure out solutions. We hope to attend a few away games (Waynesville/Blanchester) but we will not be attending the games further away. As for competitions, we are doing our best to schedule a few close competitions. Parents will be responsible for transportation to the close away games and competitions. I put a star by those events. **NO STUDENTS are permitted to drive to events. This is a school rule. A student will sit out the next competition if they break this rule. (This is the same as the athletic department) We will work to create a carpool list so parents have the ability to find a place for their child.**

As for the competitions that are further away. We are currently looking at trying to pay for our own buses from the school. This is still in the works. We will solidify these details over the summer. We hope to not charge more, but we may have to charge or do additional fundraisers.

I appreciate your support and help during this frustrating time. Our goal is to give the students a season they deserve. I know with your flexibility and support we can make it happen!

Football Games -

1. 8/23 - Waynesville Away **
2. 8/30 - Home
3. 9/13 - Blanchester Away ** (Not sure yet)
4. 9/20 - Home
5. 9/27 - Home
6. 10/4 - Homecoming
7. 10/18 - Home - Senior Night

**** Playoff football season - TBD ****

Competition Season - This is subject to change. All competitions are in the late afternoon/evening. We will normally be at school around 2-3pm on competition day.

- 9/14 - Kettering Competition **
- 9/21 - Versailles Competiton
- 10/12 - Wilmington **
- 10/19 - Turpin (depending on transportation)
- 11/2 - Centerville ** (mid-states - new circuit)

Bands Of America Grand Nationals Competition - Nov. 14 - 15th- This will be an overnight trip. More details below. Our tentative performance time is Thursday, Nov. 14th at 10 am.

Other events - Corn Festival Parade - 9/7

Possible other parades and pep rallies. TBD

Financial Information -

1. Extra Curricular Fees - The school charges each kid \$200 to participate in the activity. This pays for the staff. It does NOT pay for anything else. This has gone up from \$100 - \$200.
 - a. Can you help? We have individuals having trouble paying for old fees. Would you consider donating to a "helping fund?" The plan would be to divide the money across the individuals unable to pay. Any \$ would help us in this cause.
 - b. Do you need help? We have created a question as part of the google registration. Please make sure you communicate any needs.
 - c. Fundraiser to help you - The Roosters Chicken Cards are available. Cards are \$5. You keep all \$5 and use it to pay school fees or Indy.
2. The band boosters work tirelessly to make sure your child will have good music, good drill, guard flags, summer help, etc. Their goal is NOT to charge you any additional money. Please help us by working an event, volunteering your time, etc.

3. Indianapolis - The Grand Nationals are a once in a lifetime, life changing performance! Since we perform at 10 am on Thursday, we will need to spend the night on Wed. Our hope and plan is to stay two nights. This gives the kids the full experience. Each room will be 4 students together. This is the estimated cost for the students: The estimated total is around \$130.
 - a. \$60-70 for the rooms
 - b. \$50-60 for transportation to and from Indy
 - c. Food costs (we are looking for hotels with free breakfast)
4. Trip and Transportation Funds -
 - a. We will be doing our annual gift card fundraiser. This will start at the beginning of the marching band. Everyone is asked to sell at least 5 tickets (\$10). Everyone will turn in the money and the money will be used to start paying off the transportation costs. **So our hope is that we will just need to charge you for your room. **

Fundraisers - The only way we can have a "state qualify" band is through financial support. Students must participate and help us. Parents will be asked to donate and/or work the concession stand.

1. Summer 5 K Run - We have the ability to host a great event. But we would need sponsors to make this a success. Check the form to see.
2. Gift Card Raffle - Every student is required to bring in a gift card (at least \$20). Please bring it during band camp. Please help us sell chances. This year the changes will go towards our transportation costs.
3. Renaissance Festival - This event will be a great deal of fun! More details will be coming! We are still working on this.
4. Concession stand help - We are trying something new. Each section will have a "parent day" for a home game. Parents will split and either help the concession stand or the band at halftime. More details to come.
 - a. 8/30 - WW parent night
 - b. 9/20 - Guard/FC night
 - c. 9/27 - Brass Night
 - d. 10/4 - Percussion Night
 - e. 10/19 - Anyone who didn't work/Volunteers

Marching Band Budget - ALL PAID BY THE BOOSTERS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

1. Music - \$2,500
2. Drill - \$3,000
3. Guard uniforms/flags - \$3,000
4. Props - \$1,000
5. Competition fees - \$500

It is important that all marching numbers are set before the summer. If individuals quit they will be charged for the "drill fee." It costs the boosters \$40-50 a kid to write the drill. If you quit we have to pay additional money to cover that cost. Depending on when this happens students will be charge between \$75 - 120 to recover those costs.

Expectations for every CM Marcher –

1. **Good Attendance**
2. **RESPECT** - This is a big theme for our group! Respect each other, your equipment, your teams, your school, etc!
3. **BE PREPARED** - Students need to be ready for each day. Students need to work at music and skills before they come to practice.
4. **BEHAVIOR** - We have an amazing group of kids! But we must remind the group of the basics we must all follow!
 - a. Follow all school rules, PDA Rules, etc.
 - b. Limit Social Media! Be careful of all pictures, posts, and snapchats. Do not misuse or abuse social media. NEVER make negative comments about your band, other bands, school, teams and/or members. We must keep a good image for our group!
 - c. Bullying (cyber or physical) will NEVER be permitted. Students are REQUIRED to report any issues ASAP.
5. **PRIDE** - Anytime you are with the Clinton-Massie Marching Band we will be at our best behavior and represent our school and band in the highest fashion! Our image is EVERYTHING!

New members - Every member is needs of black marching shoes. We would like everyone to have the same brand of shoes. We will allow kids to try on our “used shoes.” Students can keep them if they fit. If not we will place an order. Shoes are around \$30. We will give you more info around band camp.

Parent Help - We need your help!

1. *Band Camp Week - We will have sign-up for meal and food donations.*
2. *Home Football Games - We have two big jobs at the home games. We must have workers in the concession stand (away side) as well as parent crew for the half time. We will now label a game an “instrument day.” This will be your day to either work concession or work parent crew. More details to come.*
3. *Spirit Signs - Every year our parents work together to make our marcher’s each a spirit circle. You will be asked to possibly donate materials and help.*
4. *Attend the band boosters meeting and see how you can help!*

New Parent Jobs - I am looking for parents to help organize the following jobs.

1. Marching Band Camp Meals Coordinator - Create a menu, sign ups, etc.
2. Home Game Parent Organizer - Take the “section group” and organize parents to work the concession and be on the parent crew.
3. Uniform washing crew - We need parents willing to wash 6-8 uniforms at home. All uniforms will be washed on gentle cycle. We would like to have more parents available for these jobs.

4. Competition Parent Crew Coordinator - Communicate schedule, help sign-ups, explain jobs.
5. Spirit Sign Coordinator - Help print and design spirit signs. We would like 3-4 individuals to work together.

Join marching band by completing this form -
2024 Marching Band Registration

