

Hello, Band Families. The start of the school year has arrived. We wish you and your students the very best as you adjust to new routines. Once again, we encourage you to reach out to the band directors, the Executive Committee, and the veteran band parents with any questions or concerns as students navigate a new building, new teachers, and new responsibilities.

Marching Band

Communication

Reminder: you can also find links to this season's newsletters on the <u>marching band page</u> on our website (beneath the link to the Absence Request Form).

Schedule

The WCMB will rehearse on Monday evening this week, allowing students and families to attend Pack Night at WCHS on Wednesday, August 14. Students in Competition Band will return for a 9-9 Camp on Saturday, August 17. Football Band will report at 5pm for rehearsal for Jamfest (see below).

The regular rehearsal schedule, including sectionals, will begin the week of August 18. Please refer to CutTime for specific days and times.

Feed the Band

The Band Boosters will feed students and staff during the 9-9 camp on Saturday, August 17. Here is the menu:

- Dino Nuggets
- Vegetarian option: vegetarian nuggets
- Lettuce Salad
- Potato Salad or Pasta Salad
- Fruit
- Chips/snacks/desserts from volunteer donations

Marching Band Pictures

Dingo Photography will return to take individual and full marching band pictures on Friday, September 13. Order forms will be sent home with students.

Students should stay after school to dress in their uniforms. Individual photographs will be taken as soon as the photographers are ready. The full band picture will be taken promptly at 4pm. They will then finish taking individual photographs. Plan to pick students up around 5:30pm.

Jamfest

Families, neighbors, and community members are invited to Jamfest to celebrate the start of the season and the program's continued success. This free event, featuring the WC Marching Band, will take place in the WCHS Stadium from 7pm to 9pm on Saturday, August 17.

Our concession stand will be open and offering a full menu. Don't miss the Drum Major Delights! Kona Ice will also be available for purchase. A balloon artist from Gia's Balloon Buddies will be on site. A monetary donation for her creations is greatly appreciated.

Tag Day

Tag Day is in TWO WEEKS (08/24)! This is a mandatory event for the WCMB (musicians in Competition & Football Bands and color guard). We still need adult chaperones to help make this event a success. Drivers must be fingerprinted through the district office - a quick and easy process - and you can sign up in CutTime. Everyone will report to WCHS at 8am. Feel free to walk with the students as they tag the houses on their assigned routes or stay cool and follow them in your air-conditioned vehicle. Please keep your eyes on them! The Band Boosters will provide pizza for students and drivers. We should finish by 2pm.

WC Board Office: 4350 Aicholtz Rd Suite 220, Cincinnati, OH 45245. Phone: 513-943-5000.

Band Boosters Update

General Booster Meeting

The next General Booster Meeting, open to parents/guardians of band students in grades 6-12, will be held on Monday, August 12, at 7pm in Community Room B.

Parent Socials

These informal events will be held monthly throughout the marching band season. Leave early or stay late. We hope to see you there!

- August 28 from 6:30pm to close RJ Cinema. The tent/lawn is reserved for our group. If the weather doesn't cooperate, we can move the party inside. This is also Singo Night.
- September 24 from 6:30pm to close RJ Cinema. The tent/lawn is reserved for our group. If the weather doesn't cooperate, we can move the party inside. This is also Trivia Night.
- October 25 from 6:30pm to close in the taproom.
- November 15 from 6:30pm to close in the taproom. The Boosters will provide dessert for this event.

Dine to Donate

For dine-to-donate event dates, times, locations, and flyers, please visit our website.

Band Booster Support Fees

This year's Booster Support Fee Payments can be paid through CutTime. The schedule is as follows:

- Booster Support Fee #1 (\$50) OVERDUE
- Booster Support Fee #2 (\$50) & Shoe Fee (if applicable) (\$45) DUE 8/15
- Booster Support Fee #3 (\$50) DUE 9/15
- Booster Support Fee (\$50) Due 10/15

NOTE: Football Band Fee (\$75) plus Shoe Fee (if applicable) (\$45)

We never want financial hardship to be a barrier for our musicians and guard members. Please reach out to Brian Fischer or <u>Amy Kleimeyer</u> for information.

WC Band Boosters Scholarship

To support the WC Band Boosters Scholarship Fund, sign up for <u>Kroger Community Rewards</u> through your Kroger Rewards account. It's free to register. After you've made this designation, a percentage of all your purchases will be donated to the West Clermont Band Boosters. The West Clermont Band Boosters organization code is QG378.

Mark Your Calendar!

- September 6 8th Grade Night with the WCMB
- September 20 WCMB Senior Night
- October 6 Homecoming

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @westclermontbands. If you want to join our private Facebook group, West Clermont Band, please answer the membership question to join the group. This is to ensure the privacy and integrity of the private group.

Thank you for your support of your student's band program. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Mr. Fischer and The WC Band Boosters Executive Committee