

Hello, Band Families. The students have worked hard to learn the first two movements of "In Theory," and they successfully performed the first three minutes of the show on the field. Marching Band is the largest extracurricular activity in the school district, and we rely on volunteers to provide opportunities for our students. Huge thanks to all the volunteers who covered the Boo Boo Tent, donated snacks and water, washed and fit uniforms, cleaned the closet and concession stand, fed the band, modified props, and attended meetings and social events this summer. We hope you and your students are finding your place within our band family.

Marching Band

Communication

Reminder: We are sending the weekly newsletter as a text through CutTime. You can 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).

Our band directors also send important messages through Remind. Sign up for Text Alerts by texting to 81010:

@2024wcmb (All students)

@24wcf (Guard)

@24wcmbcomm (Parents)

Neon Lights Pool Party

On Tuesday, August 6, WCMB members are invited to celebrate the end of Band Camp at the Neon Lights at Night pool party. Admission is \$5 if you <u>RSVP</u> ahead of time and \$8 at the gate. The party will be held from 8pm to 11pm at the Batavia Swim Club.

Spiritwear

Families interested in purchasing WC Bands spiritwear are invited to check out the items available from our friends at <u>Threadin' It Up</u>. The Band Boosters will provide a 2024 "In Theory" show shirt for each student in Football & Competition Bands (including musicians and guard). This year's show shirt will be available for purchase in the near future. Check back as new spiritwear designs will be added for the upcoming season.

UC Spirit Day

The deadline to register and pay for this event as part of the WCMB group is August 9.

On Saturday, August 31, the University of Cincinnati is hosting an event for high school marching band members that will be held during UC's first home football game of the season. Learn how your student can participate here:

UC Spirit Day

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! 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 a mandatory event for the WCMB (musicians in Competition & Football Bands and color guard). We still need 14 adult chaperones to help make this event a success. Drivers must be fingerprinted through the district office - a quick, easy, and free process. **Please get fingerprinted by August 15 so the results will be received in advance of the event.** Sign up to drive 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. Reep 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

Next General Booster Meeting

Monday, August 12 @ 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

Raising Cane's Date: August 21, 2024

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Time: 5pm to 11pm

Location: 826 Eastgate North Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45245

For dine-to-donate flyers and a schedule of upcoming events, 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.

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