

Hello, Band Families. We wish the WCMB the very best today as they head to their first competition at Lakota West.

Marching Band

Packing List for Today:

- show shirt
- black socks
- marching band shoes
- lunch
- water
- sunscreen
- deodorant
- brush, hair ties, bobby pins, hairspray (as needed)
- instrument and necessary equipment/accessories
- uniform
 - Musicians will wear their bibs on the bus. Guard will wear the competition uniform.
 - Musicians must remember their box with shako (hat).
 - Musicians should check in the garment bag for their jacket, two gauntlets, five pieces of bling, and two gloves for those who wear them.

Schedule

- Normal rehearsal and sectional schedules the week of September 16.
- Camp from 9-9 on Saturday, September 21.
- No school on Monday, September 23. No sectionals the week of September 23.
- Rehearsals will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 24 and 25.
- Freshmen and Sophomores are invited to sample our Drum Major Delights in the concession stand following rehearsal on Tuesday, September 24. Parents may wish to pick up students in the senior lot that evening.

Reminder: Dismissal from Games & Competitions

We are one band. Students should stay until the end of home football games and competitions until they are dismissed by directors. Students should not be picked up early. Please direct any questions and concerns to Mr. Fischer.

Senior Night - Friday, September 20

Itinerary

3pm Rehearse pep tunes and run through pre-game

4:30pm Dinner

5:30pm Senior parents meet in end zone near concessions

6pm Recognition of Seniors

6:45pm Pre-game 7pm Kickoff

10:30pm Dismissal (approximate time)

Feed the Band

Friday, September 20

The Band Boosters will feed students and staff this evening. Here is the menu so your student may plan accordingly:

- Chick-fil-A sandwiches
- Vegetarian option: vegetarian sandwich
- Salad
- Macaroni Salad
- Fruit
- Chips/snacks/desserts from volunteer donation

Saturday, September 21

Note: Students should pack a lunch for this 9-9 Camp.

The Boosters will feed students dinner. Here is the menu so you can plan accordingly:

- Nacho Bar
- Vegetarian option: non-meat toppings
- Salad
- Potato Salad
- Fruit
- Chips/snacks/desserts from volunteer donation

Competition Marching Band Pay-to-Play Fees

The \$250 marching band pay-to-play fees for Competition Band have been added to your student's account. This fee is paid to the school. Pay online through payschoolscentral.com. Or pay the school cashier in person with cash, check, or money order made payable to West Clermont High School. Please include your student's name and purpose for the payment on the check or envelope.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Leslie Combs, the school cashier, at combs I@my.westcler.org or call (513) 947-7600, option 5.

For Parents of Younger Wolves

WCMS (Grades 6 - 8)

WCMS students are invited to learn more about Winterguard. There is one more rehearsal in the North Gym from 4-6pm on September 17. There will be a Parent Meeting in the PAC at 6pm on September 17.

Students should wear something comfortable. Bring water. Students staying after school for rehearsals should report to Room 116.

WC Elementary Guard (Grades 1 - 5)

The Parent Meeting for elementary students interested in trying color guard has been **postponed**. We will keep you posted with an updated date and time as soon as details have been confirmed. Please contact Mrs. Dutterer and/or Mrs. Teixeira with questions and concerns.

Percussion News

Senior percussionists in Symphonic 1 Band will be competing at the Percussive Arts Society International Convention (PASIC) in Indianapolis on Friday, November 15. This international convention is the largest single instrument convention in the world. The WC ensemble will be competing in the Concert Chamber Ensemble Competition. Depending on their performance, they could earn an opportunity to play again on Saturday.

Several sponsors have already stepped forward to help cover the cost of this overnight trip for these six students. We are still seeking additional monetary donations/sponsorships for the percussion competition. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact <u>Tracy</u> Kirby.

Band Boosters Update

Music & Meatballs

Our annual Music & Meatballs event will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2025. If you are not familiar with this spectacular showcase, you can learn more here. We are already collecting items for a variety of raffle baskets. If you or someone you know would like to make a basket donation or if you are crafty and would like to help package our raffle baskets this year, please contact Tracy Kirby.

Tag Day 2025 & Beyond

If you have strong organization and communication skills, you enjoy managing logistical details, and you're interested in getting involved in the execution of this event next year, please contact Tracy Kirby.

Detailed notes are available to help guide future events. Here is a list of the main responsibilities to help you decide if / how you'd like to get involved:

- Print maps (already prepared, street names included)
- Highlight streets on maps
- Stuff envelopes with maps and tags
- Assign students to groups (Drum Majors can assist)
- Assign groups to routes

General Booster Meeting

The next General Booster Meeting, open to parents/guardians of band students in grades 6-12, will be held on Monday, October 14, at 7pm in Community Room B.

Dine to Donate

Stop by City BBQ in Eastgate between 11am and 8pm on Wednesday, September 19. Please mention the West Clermont Band Boosters or use the promo code "GIVE" when you place dine-in, carry-out, or online orders.

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

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!

- September 24 from 6:30pm to close RJ Cinema. The tent/lawn is reserved for our group. If the weather doesn't cooperate, the party will move inside. 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.

Band Booster Support Fees

This year's Booster Support Fee Payments can be paid through CutTime. Cash and a check made payable to the West Clermont Band Boosters are also accepted. There is a lock box outside of the director's office in the band room. Please make sure the enveloped is labeled with your student's name and reason for payment.

- Booster Support Fee #1 (\$50) OVERDUE
- Booster Support Fee #2 (\$50) & Shoe Fee (if applicable) (\$45) OVERDUE
- 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.

Thank you, Mr. Fischer and The WC Band Boosters Executive Committee