

Hello, Band Families. Congratulations! Having a home game on a Friday followed by a competition on a Saturday is always exhausting. Hosting the Moeller game made the weekend even more chaotic, but concessions pulled in over \$4700 we weren't expecting. Thank you once again to everyone who helped make this weekend a success.

Dine to Donate

Tim Johnson and his team at City Bird Tenders have offered to host a dine-to-donate event from 11am to 10pm **THIS Saturday**, October 26. City Bird is located at 1301 Ohio Pike in Amelia. Mention West Clermont Band Boosters when ordering or in the order notes for online/app orders and 20% of total fundraiser sales will be donated to the band. Here is a link to the flyer to share with family, friends, and neighbors.

Marching Band

Schedule

- Week of October 27
 - Regular rehearsal and sectional schedule*
 - WCMB Invitational on November 2
- Week of November 3
 - No School on Monday or Tuesday (November 4 & 5)
 - Rehearsal on November 6 & 7
 - No sectionals
 - Championships on November 9.

*There is a chance WC will host a playoff football game on Friday, November 1. The host schools and teams playing that evening will be confirmed late on Friday, October 25. We will keep you posted.

Press Box "Spruce Up"

On Wednesday, October 30, the press box will be cleaned in preparation for our Invitational and MSBA Championships. If you enjoy washing windows, sweeping floors, and wiping down counters, please join Laurie Smith in the press box any time after 3:15pm. No need to sign up.

Last year, there were three or four helpers, and the press box was in good shape by 5pm. The volunteers joined other parents in the stands to watch the last hour of rehearsal.

Veterans Day Parade

The WCMB, including members of both Football and Competition Bands, will march in this year's Veterans Day Parade. Join us in honoring our veterans and saluting those who are currently serving our country. Students will meet at WCHS at 12:30pm on Sunday, November 10. The band will march in full uniform. The parade begins at 2pm on Haskell Lane, and the route runs along Main Street through Batavia.

WCMB Awards

Our drum majors are working hard to plan the 2024 WCMB awards ceremony. Families are invited to join us in the WCHS Auditorium at 7pm on Tuesday, November 12. Students are invited to dress in a nice outfit. Cookies will be served following the ceremony.

Senior Banners

Senior banners can be picked up after the WCMB Awards if your student's fees are paid in full. Questions or concerns? Please reach out to Amy-Kleimeyer.

The 6th Annual WCMB Invitational

On Saturday, November 2, West Clermont High School will host the <u>6th Annual West Clermont Marching Band Invitational</u>. Follow the link for more information about the schedule, ticket prices, vendors, parking, and trophy sponsorship.

Bake Sale

High School Winter Guard and Winter Percussion are organizing a bake sale for the 6th Annual WCMB Invitational. Proceeds will benefit students in both groups for this coming season.

If you'd like to support these students through the donation of baked goods and sweet treats, here are some important details:

- 1. Please sign up on the SignUp Genius below for the type of baked good or sweet treats you will be donating.
- 2. Cookies should be packaged in a zip lock bag in groups of 3, and brownies/rice crispy treats if cut 3x3 (or larger) should be packaged individually in a zip lock bag. If they are smaller than 3x3 package, please package 2 in a bag. Bread should be sliced and packaged individually. Cupcakes should be on a plate, or whatever they are brought in.
- 3. Items may be dropped off on Saturday morning (11/2) around 9:30am. There will be a table in between the concession stands.
- 4. For anyone that doesn't want to bake or doesn't have time...we get it! If you would rather donate dough (get what I did there, lol) instead, we can purchase cookies/brownies in bulk! Every \$15 donation will return roughly \$35 profit! Please Venmo your money to

Sarah Lanham at @CincyWoman77 no later than Thursday, 10/31, so we have time to make the purchase.

Please direct all questions to <u>Sarah Lanham</u> or text 513-470-2343 or <u>Laurie Smith</u> or text 513-535-6904.

***Here is the link for Bake Sale donations: Invitational Bake Sale

Volunteer

Please note the difference in the three volunteer opportunities below:

- 1. If you are interested in working the bake sale table, please sign up here: Bake Sale Booth Volunteers
- 2. Adults may sign up to volunteer at our Invitational here: Adult Invitational SignUp Genius
- 3. Students should sign up to volunteer at our Invitational here: Student Invitational SignUp Genius

Note: Winter Percussion and Winter Guard members are encouraged to work the Bake Sale (see #1 above).

WCMB members are invited to volunteer for **ONE** shift and will be given a complimentary meal at 4pm at Concessions (choice of: hamburger, cheeseburger, hot dog along with chips and a drink).

Trophy Sponsorship

We will award over 40 trophies to bands competing in the WCMB Invitational. For \$75, you can sponsor a trophy on behalf of your business or in recognition of a loved one. For more information, contact <u>Beth</u>. We thank you for your continued support.

MSBA Class 3A Championships

On Saturday, November 9, we will host the Mid-States Band Association Class AAA Championships before our band travels to Mason High School to compete in Class 5A Championships that evening.

Schedule & Sign Ups

Coming Soon!

Winter Percussion

Ryan Reed will be directing two Winter Percussion ensembles again this year. A variety of mallet instruments are played in these ensembles as well as electric and bass guitars, auxiliary

percussion (rack), and electronics. There will be two optional, but highly recommended, workshops and an audition. Auditions are open to any WC student who is in a concert band. This is a pay-to-play opportunity, and the \$250 fee must be paid in full before the first show. Shows begin at the end of January, and the season ends in mid-April.

Workshops & Audition Information

Workshop #1: Monday, November 18 - 3:15 to 5pm Workshop #2: Wednesday, November 20 - 3:15 to 5pm

Audition: Thursday, November 21 - 3:15 to 5pm

***If a student is unable to attend the audition day, please contact Ryan Reed before November 20 to set up an individual audition.

Parent Information Meeting

Wednesday, November 20 - 5:15pm

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, November 11, at 7pm in Community Room B.

Parent Socials at RJ's

Our last Parent Social of the season is being rescheduled for December. Updates to follow!

Band Booster Support Fees

All Band Booster Support Fees are now overdue. 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 envelope is labeled with your student's name and reason for payment.

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

Thank you for your continued support!

Mr. Fischer and The WC Band Boosters Executive Committee