

# FEBRUARY 14-18, 2022: CONTINUING TO WORK HARD

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Welcome back to a new week, everyone. This week is semi-normal for us. It's been a busy few weeks, but this week is kind of run-of-the-mill. We continue to prepare for our Winter Guard competitions and Concert MPA. They are both closer than we may think. We are just around the corner from the first Winter Guard competition and just over a month out from Concert MPA rehearsals and performance. Buckle in, everyone. The push is coming.

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## What's Happening this Week?

- Monday, February 14:** In-School Instruction.  
Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
- Tuesday, February 15:** In-School Instruction.  
**Leadership Training, 2:30-3:30 pm**  
**Winter Guard Rehearsal, 3:00-8:00 pm**  
Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
- Wednesday, February 16:** In-School Instruction.  
Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
- Thursday, February 17:** In-School Instruction.  
**Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm**  
Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
- Friday, February 18:** In-School Instruction.  
Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
- Saturday, February 19:** **Winter Guard Rehearsal, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm**  
Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
- Sunday, February 20:** Eat. Sleep Practice. Repeat.
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## In Other News...

**Band Room Closed on Thursdays:** Until further notice, the band room will be closed after school prior to Winter Guard Rehearsal on Thursdays due to recruiting efforts at C.C. Griffin Middle School. I apologize for any inconvenience.

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**Winter Guard Rehearsals:** Winter Guard will rehearse this week on Tuesday from 3:00-8:00 pm and Thursday from 5:00-8:00 pm. Saturday they will rehearse from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm.

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**Pre-Music Performance Adjudication (Pre-MPA):** In preparation for MPA on March 29, 2022, Hickory Ridge High School has opted to host a "pre-MPA" event. The event will be held March 14-15 in the evenings. We will perform on one of those nights. I'm not sure which one quite yet, but I will let you know. This creates a slight change in the schedule as we will now have only 3 after-school rehearsals instead of 4. The Pre-MPA Concert is required for all students as this is our "practice run" for the real deal. We'll also get judges' comments that we can use to make last-minute tweaks to our program before going to "The Real Deal" on March 29, 2022.

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**New Music Performance Adjudication (MPA) Information:** MPA is March 29, 2022, during the school day and is required of all students. Permission slips will go out soon to be signed by students' teachers and parents. We are likely going to need a couple of parent chaperones, so please keep an eye on email and the VBN for more details as we get closer to the event. And, of course, a schedule for the day will be made available as we approach the event.

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**Student Fees:** All students in the band class have a \$10 semester fee that the county charges to help offset the cost of materials used in the band class. We also have a \$25 per semester fee for those who are renting an instrument from the school. These fees can be paid through the K-12 Payment Portal (<https://www.k12paymentcenter.com/>). These fees were to be paid by January 28, 2022.

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### CCHS Band Calendar

#### February 2022

	14 <b>Valentine's Day</b>	15 Leadership Training, 2:30-3:30 pm  Winter Guard Rehearsal, 3:00-8:00 pm	16	17 Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	18	19 Winter Guard Rehearsal, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
20	21 <b>President's Day (No School)</b>	22 Leadership Training, 2:30-3:30 pm  Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm  <b>Zaxby's Spirit Night, 5:00-8:00 pm</b>	23	24 Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	25	26 <b>CWEA Rock Hill</b>
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#### March 2022

		1 Leadership Training, 2:30-3:30 pm  Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	2 <b>Ash Wednesday</b>	3 Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	4	5 <b>All-State Band Auditions</b>  <b>CWEA Mooresville Contest</b>
6	7 <b>Band Booster Meeting, 6:30 pm</b>	8 <b>Teacher Workday (No School/Rehearsals)</b>  <b>Chick-fil-A Spirit Night, 5:00-7:30 pm</b>	9	10 Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	11	12 <b>CWEA Byrnes Contest</b>
13 <b>Daylight Saving Time</b>	14 <b>Pre-MPA Concert</b>	15 <b>Pre-MPA Concert</b>  Leadership Training, 2:30-3:30 pm  Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	16 <b>After-School Rehearsal w/ Mr. Carter, 2:45-4:15 pm</b>	17 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b>  Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	18 <b>Holi</b>	19 Winter Guard Rehearsal, 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
20	21 <b>After-School Rehearsal w/ Mr. Tulbert, 2:45-4:15 pm</b>	22 Leadership Training, 2:30-3:30 pm  Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	23 <b>After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-4:15 pm</b>	24 Winter Guard Rehearsal, 5:00-8:00 pm	25	26 <b>CWEA Championships</b>
27	28 <b>Teacher Workday (No School/Rehearsals)</b>	29 <b>Music Performance Adjudication (MPA)</b>  Leadership Training, 2:30-3:30 pm	30	31		