

APRIL 25-29, 2022: **WELCOME BACK +** **BAND BANQUET RSVPs DUE THIS FRIDAY**

Welcome back, everyone. I hope that Spring Break was just as restful and enjoyable for you as it was for me and Mrs. Adams. We were fortunate enough to take a trip together to Nashville, Tennessee where we were able to explore a lot of the sights and sounds of "Music City." If you haven't been, I highly recommend it. Anyway, it's time to get back into the grind of things. You know just as well as I do that 99% of us probably didn't practice over the break. Which is cool to an extent. I'm glad we had a break, but I think we know that our concert program is pretty intense. We have a lot of work still to do. Rehearsals need to be efficient. I know we can do it. I believe in you.

What's Happening this Week?

<u>Monday, April 25:</u>	In-School Instruction. Drum Major Auditions, 3:00-4:00 pm Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Tuesday, April 26:</u>	In-School Instruction. Drum Major Auditions, 3:00-4:00 pm Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Wednesday, April 27:</u>	In-School Instruction. Drum Major Auditions, 3:00-4:00 pm Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Thursday, April 28:</u>	In-School Instruction. Drum Major Auditions, 3:00-4:00 pm Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Friday, April 29:</u>	In-School Instruction. Band Banquet RSVPs Due Drum Major Auditions, 3:00 pm - Until Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Saturday, April 30:</u>	Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Sunday, May 1:</u>	Eat. Sleep Practice. Repeat.

In Other News...

Marching Band Registration Officially Open: Those who are interested in doing marching band this fall, the registration is officially open. Forms can be received in-person by visiting the Band Room or via [our website](#). There is a checklist of items to complete to ensure that you are fully registered. Please read the Handbook this year. A lot of the problems we experienced last year stemmed from not reading the materials provided. Registration is due by May 20, 2022. Please let me know if you need help registering.

Drum Major Auditions: Anyone interested in auditioning for Drum Major should mark down the following dates for auditions – April 25-29, 2022. Each day will run from 3:00-4:00 pm except for the last day. The last day will be the actual audition itself and will last until we are finished auditioning all candidates and our judging panel has reached a decision. **Participating students *must* have taken the Leadership Training course.**

Band Banquet RSVPs Due Friday: The annual Band Banquet will take place on May 14, 2022. Please mark this date down on your calendar. All students – fall and spring – are invited to attend. The 2022 Marching Band show will also be unveiled at the event. RSVPs are due **by this Friday April 29, 2022.**

May 2022 Band Booster Meeting: Our May 2022 Band Booster meeting will be held Monday, May 2 beginning at 6:30 pm in the Band Room.

Edd Powell Memorial Music Scholarship: The Nelson Edward Powell Memorial Music Scholarship is to honor Mr. "Edd" Powell and his dedication to the music students in Cabarrus County. In 1984 Mr. Powell became the band director at Central Cabarrus High School in Concord, NC. Through his love of music and teaching, he reshaped the CCHS Band into a nationally known program. From 1991 until his retirement, Mr. Powell taught at several middle schools in Concord, NC sharing his passion for music and teaching with hundreds of students every day. Through the gift of music, Mr. Powell influenced many young lives and created memories to last a lifetime. **A one-time \$500 scholarship will be given to one senior at Central Cabarrus High School and one senior at Hickory Ridge High School who has participated in the music programs at their schools for at least three years.** [Applications are due by Friday, May 6, 2022.](#)

After-School Rehearsals for Spring Concert: The after-school rehearsals for the Spring Concert are on the calendar. Please mark them down. Yes, some of them are on the same days as Mini Camp. It's not going to be fun having that many rehearsals in one day, but sometimes there just aren't enough hours to prepare like we need to for our performances.

Mini Camp: Those interested in marching band in the fall are required to attend Mini Camp. The dates for this year are May 16-20 from 5:00-7:30 pm. Think of this as a “free trial” of marching band before your paperwork is due at the end of that week. **Veteran marchers this is also required for you.** See you then.

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.

April 2022

24 Orthodox Easter	25 Drum Major Auditions, 3-4 pm	26 Drum Major Auditions, 3-4 pm	27 Drum Major Auditions, 3-4 pm	28 Drum Major Auditions, 3-4 pm	29 Band Banquet RSVPs Due Drum Major Auditions, 3 pm - Until	30
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May 2022

1	2 Band Booster Meeting, 6:30 pm	3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6 Edd Powell Memorial Music Scholarship Applications Due	7
8 Mother's Day	9	10 Teacher Workday (No School/Rehearsals)	11	12	13	14 Band Banquet @ Westford United Methodist, 6:00 pm
15	16 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-4:15 pm Mini Camp, 5:00-7:30 pm	17 Teacher Workday (No School/Rehearsals)	18 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-4:15 pm Mini Camp, 5:00-7:30 pm	19 Mini Camp, 5:00-7:30 pm	20 Marching Band Commitment Forms/1st Payment (Non- Refundable) Due Mini Camp, 5:00-7:30 pm	21
22	23 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-4:15 pm	24	25 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-4:15 pm	26 Spring Concert, 7:00 pm	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day (No School)	31				