

FEBRUARY 6-10, 2023: ALL-COUNTY BAND CLINIC THIS WEEKEND

Welcome back to another week, everyone. This weekend is the All-County Band clinic at West Cabarrus High School. We were fortunate enough to have a lot of students make the ensemble this year. Support from our program would be greatly appreciated at the concert this Saturday at 3:00 pm. We are also continuing to work on MPA music. There are still some small things happening in the ensemble that are still making it feel like we aren't 100% ready to take on music at this level. A lot of that is the instrumentation battle we are fighting – which isn't your fault. But we must make those changes if this is going to work.

What's Happening this Week?

<u>Monday, February 6:</u>	In-School Instruction. Band Booster Meeting, 6:30 pm Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Tuesday, February 7:</u>	In-School Instruction. Pathways to Success Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm CCHS Basketball Concessions. Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Wednesday, February 8:</u>	In-School Instruction. Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Thursday, February 9:</u>	In-School Instruction. Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Friday, February 10:</u>	In-School Instruction. All-County Band Clinic. CCHS Basketball Concessions. Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Saturday, February 11:</u>	Percussion Camp w/ Mr. Patrick, 10:00 am – 2:30 pm All-County Band Concert (West Cabarrus High School), 3:00 pm Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Sunday, February 12:</u>	Eat. Sleep Practice. Repeat.

In Other News...

February 2023 Band Booster Meeting: Our February 2023 Band Booster Meeting will be on February 6 at 6:30 pm in the band room.

Several Fundraiser Opportunities (HELP NEEDED!): Our band program is looking forward to an amazing 2023-24 school year. A large part of that will be our marching band production, but there are other needs as well – instruments, mallets, reeds, brass mouthpieces, rifles, flags, music, bus transportation to MPA, etc. We cannot operate without your help. For those who are unaware, it can cost anywhere from \$50,000-\$100,000+ to run our program from year-to-year. If we want our program to be successful, we're going to need some help. **There are opportunities on the calendar (basketball concessions, UNCC Cheer, and UNCC Baseball).** If you are available to help us out, please email Kristina Venable (Kristina.venable@yahoo.com) to sign up!

All-County Band: All-County Band is this weekend. The clinic starts at 9:00 am. **It is the responsibility of students to get to West Cabarrus High School that day by 8:15 am (drive, catch a ride, drop off, etc.).** We will meet as a group before I go in to register all of us (like how we did ADB auditions). The concert will be on Saturday at 3:00 pm at West Cabarrus High School for those who are interested in attending. Participants should have received a copy of the full schedule when they got their original paperwork.

Percussion Camp Days with Mr. Patrick: Mr. Patrick is hosting percussion camp days for all rising 9th-12th grade percussionists. He will be going over basics of mallet technique, learning warm-ups, and more in preparation for the summer season. The sessions are from 10:00 am until 2:30 pm with a 30-minute lunch break scheduled at the halfway point. **Percussionists, you need to be there if you are not otherwise preoccupied (musical rehearsal, sports, honors band commitments, etc.).** The success of our percussion section rests in your hands. The dates are on the calendar.

March 2023 Dates Added to Calendar: March 2023 dates have been added to the calendar. These dates include after-school rehearsals, potential Pre-MPA Concert dates, and our [projected] MPA date. Please mark them down on your personal calendars.

STEM Recruitment Night 2023: Our pep band has played at the STEM Recruitment Night for the past two years and we have been invited back for the third time. We will take a pep band to the event on March 1 from 5:30-7:00 pm. The event is on campus and will happen directly following our after-school rehearsal on that day. Anyone is welcome to join the pep band – no marching band experience required. This would be a cool way to try out just a small taste of what marching band has to offer for those who may be interested in joining marching band next year.

Student Fees: All students in the band class have a semester fee that the county charges to help offset the cost of materials used in the band class. There is also 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 February 3, 2023.

School-Owned Instruments/Instrument Repairs: If you are in need of a school-owned instrument, please email me to set-up a time to get your instrument (joshua.adams@cabarrus.k12.nc.us). If you are in need of an instrument repair, please let me know!

February 2023

5	6 Band Booster Meeting, 6:30 pm	7 CCHS Basketball Concessions <i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm	8	9 Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm	10 All-County Band Clinic CCHS Basketball Concessions	11 All-County Band Clinic (Concert 3 pm) Percussion Camp w/ Mr. Patrick (10 am – 2:30 pm) WG Camp Day
12	13	14 Valentine's Day <i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm	15	16 Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm	17	18 Winter Guard @ Mooresville
19	20 President's Day (No School)	21 CCHS Basketball Concessions <i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm	22 Ash Wednesday	23 CCHS Basketball Concessions Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm	24	25 CCHS Basketball Concessions Percussion Camp w/ Mr. Patrick (10 am – 2:30 pm)
26	27	28 CCHS Basketball Concessions <i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm				

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			<p>1 After-School Rehearsal w/ Mr. Tulbert, 2:45-5:00 pm</p> <p>STEM Recruitment Night (5:30-7:00 pm)</p>	<p>2 Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	3	<p>4 WG Camp Day</p>
5	<p>6 After-School Rehearsal w/ Dr. Kopczyznski, 2:45-5:00 pm</p> <p>Band Booster Meeting, 6:30 pm</p>	<p>7 <i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm</p> <p>Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	<p>8 Holi</p> <p>After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-5:00 pm</p>	<p>9 Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	10	<p>11 CWEA North Lincoln</p> <p>UNCC Cheer Competition Fundraiser (9 am – 7 pm)</p> <p>Percussion Camp w/ Mr. Patrick (10 am – 2:30 pm)</p>
12 Daylight Saving Time	<p>13 Potential Pre-MPA Date (HRHS)</p>	<p>14 Potential Pre-MPA Date (HRHS)</p> <p><i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm</p> <p>Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p> <p>UNCC Baseball Game Fundraiser (5 pm – Until)</p>	<p>15 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-5:00 pm</p>	<p>16 Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	<p>17 St. [Mr.] Patrick's Day</p>	<p>18 CWEA Indian Land</p>
19	<p>20 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-5:00 pm</p>	<p>21 <i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm</p> <p>Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	<p>22 Beginning of Ramadan</p> <p>After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-5:00 pm</p>	<p>23 Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	24	<p>25 Percussion Camp w/ Mr. Patrick (10 am – 2:30 pm)</p> <p>WG Camp Day</p>
26	<p>27 Teacher Workday (No School)</p>	<p>28 MPA [Currently Projected] (MHS)</p> <p><i>Pathways to Success</i> Leadership Training, 2:45-3:45 pm</p> <p>Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	29	<p>30 Winter Guard Rehearsal (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	<p>31 Winter Guard Rehearsal/Parent Send Off (HRHS), 5:00-8:00 pm</p>	<p>1 April Fool's Day</p> <p>CWEA Championships</p>