

JANUARY 15-19, 2024: PLEASE CONTINUE (OR START...) TO PRACTICE

Welcome back to a new week, everyone. We have yet to have a complete week of school. This is worrisome because we know that a good chunk of our ensemble is not making up for that lost time at home. Some of us really need to get into the habit of practicing every day. Remember, notes and rhythms need to be learned at home on your time. Ensemble time is for making music – not notes.

What's Happening this Week?

<u>Monday, January 15:</u>	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School) Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Tuesday, January 16:</u>	Teacher Workday (No School) Basketball Concessions, 5:30 pm Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Wednesday, January 17:</u>	Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Thursday, January 18:</u>	Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Friday, January 19:</u>	Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Saturday, January 20:</u>	Eat. Sleep. Practice. Repeat.
<u>Sunday, January 21:</u>	Eat. Sleep Practice. Repeat.

Leadership Workshop with Dr. Gaston Delayed: Leadership Workshop will now begin January 23 from 6:00-6:50 am and be every Tuesday until the beginning of April. [Students need to buy this book prior to attending.](#)

Jazz Band Rehearsals: Jazz Band Rehearsals will be during 1st and 3rd period Reconnect. If you join jazz band, you are expected to be at every rehearsal (pending genuine conflicts with other classes – just come talk to me). Additionally, the jazz band will rehearse after school on Thursdays beginning February 1 from 2:30-4:00 pm. These rehearsals are required for those participating in the jazz band. Please start making arrangements.

Percussion Camps: We are hosting Percussion Camps throughout the Spring in order to increase cohesiveness between the middle and high school programs as well as recruit for marching band in the fall. These are available to all rising 7th-12th graders. The dates are February 3 & 17 | March 2 & 16 | April 6 & 20 | all dates are from 10:00 am until 2:30 pm. Lunch will be from 12:00-12:30 pm. Please bring your lunch, water bottle, white t-shirt, athletic shorts/pants, and tennis shoes.

Spin & Dance Camps: We are hosting Spin & Dance Camps throughout the Spring in order to increase interest in our color guard program for marching band in the fall. These are available to all rising 9th-12th graders. The dates are February 3 & 17 | March 2 & 16 | April 6 | all dates are from 2:30 pm until 7:00 pm. Early dinner will be from 4:30-5:00 pm. Please bring your dinner, water bottle, white t-shirt, athletic shorts/pants, and tennis shoes.

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 \$50 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 are to be paid by January 8, 2024.

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!

January 2024

14	15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)	16 Teacher Workday (No School) CCHS Basketball Concessions, 5:30 pm	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 Leadership Workshop, 6:00-6:50 am	24	25	26 All-District Band Clinic CCHS Basketball Concessions, 5:30 pm	27 All-District Band Clinic
28	29	30 Leadership Workshop, 6:00-6:50 am	31			

February 2024

				1 Jazz Band Rehearsal, 2:30-4:00 pm	2	3 Percussion Camp, 10:00 am – 2:30 pm Spin Camp, 2:30-7:00 pm
4	5 Band Booster Meeting, 6:30 pm	6 Leadership Workshop, 6:00-6:50 am	7	8 Jazz Band Rehearsal, 2:30-4:00 pm	9 All-County Band Clinic	10 All-County Band Clinic
11	12	13 Leadership Workshop, 6:00-6:50 am CCHS Basketball Concessions, 5:30 pm	14	15 Jazz Band Rehearsal, 2:30-4:00 pm	16	17 Percussion Camp, 10:00 am – 2:30 pm Spin Camp, 2:30-7:00 pm
18	19	20 Leadership Workshop, 6:00-6:50 am	21 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-5:00 pm	22 Jazz Band Rehearsal, 2:30-4:00 pm	23	24
25	26 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-5:00 pm	27 Leadership Workshop, 6:00-6:50 am	28 After-School Rehearsal, 2:45-5:00 pm	29 Pre-MPA Concert (Tentative)		