# **Band Calendar and Policies 2023-2024**

Date:	Time:	Event:
Aug. 4 (9 a.m2 p.m.)	& Aug. 5 (9 a.m4 p.m.)	Drum Line Auditions (SC Band Room-G108)
Aug. 7	4:00 p.m.	Marching Band Leadership Meeting (G108)
Aug. 7-11	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Marching Band Rehearsal (Bennett Field)
Aug. 14-17	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Marching Band Rehearsal (Bennett Field)
Thursday, Aug. 24	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Wednesday, Aug. 30	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Friday, Sept. 1	5:30-9:30 p.m.	Home Football Game, Senior Night
Wednesday, Sept. 6	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Friday, Sept. 8	5:30-9:30 p.m.	Home Football Game
Wednesday, Sept. 13	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Wednesday, Sept. 20	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Wednesday, Sept. 27	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Wednesday, Oct. 4	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Friday, Oct. 6	5:30-9:30 p.m.	Home Football Game, JH Marching Band Night
Wednesday, Oct. 11	6:30-9:00 p.m.	MB Rehearsal
Friday, Oct. 13	6:00 p.m.	Homecoming Pep Rally
Saturday, Oct. 14	10:00 a.m.	Homecoming Parade
Saturday, Oct. 14	1:30 p.m.	Homecoming Football Game
Thursday, October 19	7:30 p.m.	Jazz Ensemble Concert (Reber)
Possible Football Play-off Games: 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17)		
Thursday, Nov. 9	7:30 p.m.	Fall Band Concert (Reber)
Saturday, Nov. 11	all day	ILMEA Jazz Festival (Select students)
Tuesday, Nov. 14	All day	8th Grade Band Day and Concert (Wind Ens. Only)
Saturday, Nov. 18	all day	ILMEA Band Festival (Select students)
Tuesday, Dec. 12	daytime	Jr. High Tour (Wind Ens., Jazz Ens. & Drumline)
Monday, Dec. 18	7:30 p.m.	Jazz Concert (Reber)
January 24-27		ILMEA State Festival (select students)
Thursday, Feb. 1	7:30 p.m.	Winter Band Concert (Reber)
Saturday, Feb. 10	all day	Evanston Jazz Festival (All jazz students)
Wednesday, Feb. 28	7:30 p.m.	Jazz Band Concert (and Jr. High Jazz Day)
March 4 & 5	TBA	Wind Ensemble Auditions for 2024-25
March 6	TBA	Jazz Ensemble Auditions for 2024-25
Monday, March 18	3-8 p.m.	Instrumental Solo/Ensemble Contest (required for all students)
March 21-23		National Concert Band Festival (WE only if accepted)
Thursday, April 4	7:30 p.m.	Spring Band Concert (Reber)
Friday, April 5	all day	LT Wind Ensemble Festival (Wind Ens. Only)
Thursday, April 18	7:30 p.m.	Orchestra Concert (Wind Ensemble only)
Saturday, May 4	All Day	Superstate (Wind Ensemble Only)
Wednesday, May 8	7:30 p.m.	Jazz Concert (Reber)
Tuesday, May 14	7:30 p.m.	Spring Festival (SC Fieldhouse)
Monday, May 27	10:00 a.m.	Memorial Day Parade (Western Springs)
Saturday, June 1	9:30 a.m.	Pet Parade (LaGrange)
Saturday, June 1	11:00 a.m.	Uniform Turn-in (SC)

<sup>\*</sup>Drumline: In addition to the regular rehearsals, drumline rehearses Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and 30 minutes earlier on Wednesday nights through football season.

### **Band Attendance Policy:**

Due to the interdependent nature of music, attendance at all performances and rehearsals is required. Dates have been provided well in advance, and students are expected to plan ahead to solve any conflicts. Directors will be glad to assist students in working out conflicts; however, this is the responsibility of the student and should be addressed well in advance of any conflict. Work schedule conflicts are never excused absences.

#### **Athletic Conflicts:**

While the majority of athletic conflicts are excused; pasta parties and other such activities are not legitimate excuses to miss rehearsals or performances.

#### **Penalties:**

All unexcused absences will negatively affect the students grade in band. Students who are consistently absent or tardy may (at the discretion of the director) forfeit their position in the drill.

## Tardy Policy:

Attendance at rehearsals and performances will be taken immediately at call time. Any student not in attendance will be marked absent. Any student whose late arrival was not excused in advance will be marked tardy. Students who are tardy will receive half of the participation points for that event.

## **Mandatory Marching Uniform and Equipment Requirements:**

Mechanical Pencil

Lyre (not required for drumline)

Flip Folder (not required for drumline)

Velocity Marching shoes (black) – an order will be taken at the beginning of the season

Black Gloves (will be sold during rehearsals)

Black socks (must cover the calf)

LT Marching Band Uniform (Coat, Pants, Gauntlets, Hat and Plume – provided by school)

No deviations from this policy will be permitted. Students not dressed in full uniform will not be permitted to perform and will lose one third of their participation points for that event.

## **Marching Shoes/Black Gloves:**

All students will be provided with a shoe order form on the first day of marching band camp. We will place one shoe order through the school, any student not participating in that order will be expected to find and purchase shoes on their own time. Black gloves will be available for purchase through the school during marching band camp.

Lyres and Flip folders can be purchased through:

Quinlan and Fabish PM Music Burr Ridge, IL Aurora, IL 630/654-4111 630/978-9927