

05-26-23 Post Concert Notes

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

June 1 - End of Year Gathering **CADETS MUST ATTEND** WITH JR, SR, SYM

Final Concert Season Meeting after the Spring Concert AND

Official start of SUMMER MARCHING TRIMESTER

Percussionists must bring any equipment they have at home. It may be reassigned for the summer. ARRIVE AT 4:30 and to help Mrs. Borow prepare for drumline practice.

5pm - Marching percussion/drumline practice

Band members arrive at 6 PM to do returns, etc. CADETS MUST ALSO ATTEND !!!

Those new to WSHSB need not arrive until 7:15

5:00 – 6:00 **Percussion/drumline practice for Summer Marching**

6:00 – 7:30 pm

- Return of all band music
- Return of all WSHSB rental/loaner instruments for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK**
- Return of all other band property
- Marching music and hat distribution
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers
- Return of form w/payment of outstanding Summer instrument rental fee(s). **Due date was 4/27.**

For those NEW to WSHSB – See our Summer Marching web page and contact the director in advance if at all possible. All new people must complete an ONLINE Marching Season Registration and mail applicable summer rental forms and fees by May 25. A link to the ONLINE Registration and the fillable PDF Rental form are both on our FORMS/DOCUMENTS web page. Let the director know if you missed the deadline.

Time approximate 7:30 – 8:15 pm

- Preliminary marching kick-off and music practice - **bring your instrument, lyre and loaded flip-folder.**
All marching musicians must attend this preliminary marching practice.

Time approximate 8:15 – 9:00 pm

- **Corpus Christi Fest/Football Game rehearsal – Bring your instrument, lyre and loaded flip-folder.**
There may be an additional rehearsal on June 8.

JUNE 14, 15, 16 - MANDATORY PRE-CAMPS at

DuPage County Fair Grounds, **9am to 12pm each day**

Enter off Manchester, via Gate S7 at the SE corner of the Fairgrounds

6/14 – Newcomer Camp for all students new to WSHSB Marching Band
(helpers welcome)

6/15 – Percussion Camp – required for all current and new marching
percussionists

6/16 – Rank Leader Camp – see our Summer Marching webpage for details

JUNE 6/19 through 6/23 – FULL MARCHING BAND CAMP at

DuPage County Fair Grounds, **9am to 12pm each day**

CONCERT REMARKS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Congratulations on an excellent performance! Everyone stepped up and reached inside to go that extra mile. The flute solo and clarinet duet were wonderful. Thank you for all the diligence, practice and hard work you put in to make this concert and concert season a success!

Special thanks to those who came to help Mrs. Borow unload the trailer and Mrs. W-P set up percussion. Also, my heartfelt thanks go out to all the musical helpers, Booster volunteers and especially my core team, for your support and dedication. Thank you, dear graduates, for the beautiful and thoughtful gifts. And thank you to the band families from myself, Mrs. Mergen, and Mrs. W-P, for the gorgeous flowers, gifts and cards. Your kindness and generosity are most appreciated.

Congratulations to the entire WSHSB family on another fine year. Most of all, praise God for His guidance and providential hand throughout this year. We pray for His blessing on all of you and your families.

COMPLIMENT FROM PORTILLO'S – When Mrs. Mergen went to thank one of the workers, she commented, “Oh, we love having you. The band brings such a positive energy. They are all so friendly. You can feel that they all care about one another.” We wanted to let you know.

ABOUT THOSE BLUE JACKETS - Graduating seniors and anyone who will not be returning to band in the fall **must return their jackets** at music turn in/rehearsal **Friday, June 1**. Please remove all band awards but leave your name taped inside the jacket. You will also need to bring \$5 cash for the cost of cleaning your jacket. We won't be able to make change so please plan accordingly. Any questions contact Mrs. Aguilar (mamuof4@gmail.com 312-218-9831).

RECRUITING and FLYER HELP NEEDED - On our Member's News page, in addition to the Music Return Forms you'll find a Summer Recruiting Flyer. Please print and take to **post at homeschool co-ops like Greenhouse and G.I.F.T.** More than ever we need new members at all levels to take the places of all our **graduated seniors and members who have left band**. As of this summer, we have a **LOW NUMBER OR NO ONE** with the following as their primary instrument playing in Junior, Senior OR Symphonic as a student: **Trombone, Bassoon, Oboe and Tuba**. We are depending on you to post as many flyers as possible, wherever you can get permission.

Along with posting flyers please share this information with home school parents of potential band members. There are four **Instrument Fitting Dates** by appointment only 9am-6pm, on 6/13, 7/26, 8/23 and 9/6.

*******BOOSTER JOBS STILL NEEDING VOLUNTEERS*******

Sign-up at [Sign-Up Schedule Link](#)
06-01-23 – FINAL COLLECTION/MARCHING KICK-OFF
1 slot for Instrument Collection Helper
1 slot for Jacket Collector/Record Keeper
10 slots for Music collector/sorter

CONCERT RECORDINGS - We wish to remind you that recordings from past concerts are available to listen to. There is a link at the top of our Music Resources page. The 5/26 concert was recorded and will be added. Your patience is appreciated.

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**VERY IMPORTANT- Cadets must come on June 1**

June 1 is the final Concert Season Meeting after the Spring Concert AND official start of SUMMER MARCHING TRIMESTER. **ALL CADETS MUST ATTEND.** Band members arrive at **6:00pm** to do returns, etc. All marching percussionists must arrive earlier at **5:00pm** for Summer Marching drumline practice.

- **6:00 – 7:30pm** Return completed Cadet Music Return Form along with sheet music for Dancin' on the Bayou and Sourwood Mountain. **The fine for any full size missing music is \$4.00.** You are expected to pay your fines when you return your music. Come prepared to do so.
- MANDATORY Return/check-in (Cadets included) of all WSHSB rental/loaner instruments **(whether keeping or returning)** for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK.**
- Return of form w/payment of outstanding Summer instrument rental fee(s). **Due date was 4/27.**
- Return of any/all other band property
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers
- **Approx. 7:30pm - Cadets** coming to marching camp **MUST ATTEND** on 6/1 for preliminary marching camp practice. **Bring your instrument, lyre and flip-folder loaded with your music**

Those not marching may leave after they have completed their return(s).

**NOTE TO CADET PARENTS:** The sooner you start this, the better. Review the Junior audition requirements with your student. It would be most productive to have them start practicing now. At the top of our Audition webpage see the document “Suggested Strategy for Auditioning.” **Reminder:** Correctly performing rhythms is a large factor in audition results and overall progression as a musician. It is essential for those interested in placing higher within any band or moving up a band.

**WATCH THIS - AUDITION AID VIDEO LINK** – Here is the link to a helpful YouTube created by past and present WSHSB members – LINK → [How to Audition for the WSHSB](#)  
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## Attention Cadets, Jr. Sr. and Sym. members

- Arrive **ON TIME**, June 1. Percussionists at 4:15pm, wind players at 6pm.
- It is mandatory for **ALL band members** to return -
  1. WSHSB sheet music which must be checked-in for each band and combined
  2. Any WSHSB owned instruments for the **Annual Instrument Inventory and Condition Check**. This includes those who may be keeping their WSHSB owned instrument over the summer, whether for auditions and/or for marching. If you have not yet paid your summer rental fee it is now **OVERDUE** - Bring completed form and payment on 6/1.
- **Cadets** participating in camp **MUST ATTEND** on 6/1 for preliminary marching practice.
- **Jr. Sr. Sym. Members** – Return your bow-tie and cummerbund. Please check for any extra bow ties at home. Many have gone missing.
- If you are ill and cannot attend you **MUST** get your music with the associated Music Return Form(s) and any other band property including bow-tie and cummerbund to another band member so it can all be returned on June 1.
- **DO NOT return/bring these things to the Borrow house nor ask them to return them for you.**
- Those not marching or performing at Corpus Christi Fest/Football games may leave after they have completed all required return(s).

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June 1 COLLECTION STATIONS

You may visit collection stations in any order and return later if the line is long. There will not be separate stations for each band, all music goes to any one music collection volunteer. **There will be one place where all fines will be tallied and must be paid on 6/1.** All those participating in summer marching, Corpus Christi Fest or Football Games will continue with the steps listed below under **Marching Camp, Corpus Christi Fest or Football Game Participants.**

When you have visited all necessary collection stations, those not participating in summer marching, Corpus Christie Fest or Football Games are free to go.

1. Cummerbunds and Bow Ties - All cummerbunds and bow ties are to be returned. Hand it to a volunteer at the table. Do not just lay it down. You need to be sure that you are checked off by a volunteer for each item you return. If it is not recorded that you returned these items, you will be billed for them.

****** RULE FOR RETURNING BOW TIES ******

If your bow tie is coming apart you have one of two choices when returning it –
Make the necessary sewing repairs **with red thread** before returning it and owe nothing.
Pay \$5 along with the unrepaired bow tie. Make it known that it needs repair

2. Blue Band Blazers and Band-Owned Black Pants - if you are not returning to band in the fall or if you are returning in fall but have outgrown your jacket and/or pants –

Return jackets to the Jacket/Pants coordinator, NOT MRS. BOROW, with \$5 cash and your name label inside. We will have the jacket dry-cleaned. We have eliminated the need for jackets to be returned dry cleaned with tag/receipt attached.

Any questions contact or Mrs. Aguilar (mamuof4@gmail.com 312-218-9831)

Return pants laundered.

Those returning to band will be fitted for a different jacket and/or pants in the fall.

3. WSHSB Band-Owned Instruments - **ALL** band-owned instruments must be checked-in even if you plan to use one over the summer. **This is the only time of the year that we are able to re-inventory all band-owned instruments. Adult helpers must also check in** the band-owned

instrument they have been using, as we need to make all of them available to incoming Cadets in the fall. **CADETS** who are keeping their WSHSB owned instrument over the summer, whether for auditions and/or for marching, **MUST come on June 1 at 6pm** for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY AND CONDITION CHECK**.

Our first priority is to provide rental instruments to new Cadets. After Cadets are taken care of, remaining band members will be accommodated. You will receive an instrument once they are inventoried and checked over. There is no guarantee that anyone will have the same exact instrument they played previously.

SUMMER INSTRUMENT RENTALS - If you have a WSHSB owned instrument for the summer, **marching or not, the summer rental fee was due on April 27**. If you have not yet paid it is now **OVERDUE**. Please remit by/on June 1 with a completed rental form.

4. MUSIC RETURNS - There should be **no original music remaining** in anyone's folder, or in piles in your home. Exceptions are listed in the chart below for marching camp, Corpus Christi Fest and football game participants. Keep any photocopies you made for yourself. See instructions on the Music Return Forms. **Do not keep ANY music for the future**. All music is redistributed and part assignments can and do change.

For the June 1 Music Collection–

1. BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME, FORMS MUST BE PRINTED for every band for which you have music to return plus a form for returning **COMBINED MUSIC** and also **MINUTEMEN** if applicable.

- a. Print only your name on the form(s) you need. The Combined form requires a bit more information. Bring all forms with you, paper-clipped to the corresponding music.
- b. **DO NOT CHECK ANY OF THE OTHER BOXES ON THE FORMS** with the exception of the Combined form.
- c. Instructions for returning music are on the form itself.

2. MUSIC MUST BE ARRANGED in the order as listed on each band's Music Return form. You will be sent to the end of the return line if your music is not in order.

3. AT RESURRECTION/CORNELIUS

- Go to any collection volunteer. There are not separate stations for each band. Return any/all music to one volunteer. Cadet, Junior, Senior, Symphonic, Combined and MINUTEMEN music each has its own music return form. Cadets only need to use their CADET form.
- Give your music w/form to the one of the volunteers at the table. The volunteer will record only those titles that are missing or damaged. There is a fine of **\$4 per full size song and \$1 for marching size**, for damaged (in our judgment) or lost/unreturned music. Bring cash or a check with you. **All fines are due June 1.**

AMNESTY RETURNS – ODDS AND ENDS - If you find you have any other music that should have been returned in a previous trimester or any other **originals** of titles not included in the lists below, now is your chance. Write your first and last name on a slip of paper and clip it together with your amnesty returns. Give it to the same volunteer.

- After all music is returned, whether or not you owe anything, bring all your form(s) to the Tally, Fees and Fines person.

TALLY AND FINES

There will be one place where someone will be collecting all music return forms and fines and rental forms and fees.



Marching Camp, Corpus Christi Fest and Football Game participants

For June 1 practice, you must bring your instrument, lyre and flip-folder **LABELED** with your name **AND** flip-folder should be loaded with marching and/or Corpus Christi Fest/Football Game music. See complete list on last page.

After you have turned in all music, bow ties, and cummerbunds, rental instruments for inventory check, etc., anyone participating in marching camp, Corpus Christi Fest or Football Games needs to do the following –

- **Forms and Fees** - All outstanding summer instrument rental forms and fees must be turned to the Tally and Fines person. Remember - No checks will be accepted without a completed form and vice-versa.
- Check your band folder for any additional music that might be there.
- Marchers need to pick up a marching hat. **NO MARCHING HAT DEPOSITS, rather a fine for non-returned hats.** All marchers will receive a numbered marching hat, with no deposit. Laundered hats must be returned at the Overview and Orientation meeting in September. There is a \$20 fine for non-returned hats, due at the September meeting.
- Wait patiently for music collections to be completed before practice begins.
- **Summer Percussion equipment will be distributed at the drum line rehearsal and taken home the evening of June 1.** Be sure to take carriers, lyres, snares, cymbals, basses and beaters home with you as well. You will be personally responsible for the safe keeping of the equipment while in your care and you must return it in the fall.

DRESS CODE FOR CAMP - There are to be **no short-shorts. Shorts need to be Bermuda-like shorts (nothing shorter). Also no leggings, no tank tops, no spaghetti straps.** and no low-cut, skimpy or tight-fitting tops worn to camp. There should be **no bare midribs or shoulders.** Everyone must **wear good shoes that** cover and support your feet, **no sandals or flip-flops.**



Below is the list of songs performers should have for specific summer events.

SUMMER '23 SONGS

CC PROCESSION	CC FEST CONCERT	MARCHING	FOOTBALL
O SALUTARIS	STAR SPANGLED BANNER	GO NORTHWESTERN	ALL CC FEST SONGS
TANTUM ERGO	GO NORTHWESTERN	AND DANCE	RAH RAH
HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME	AND DANCE	SPIRIT OF AMERICA	QUICKSTAND PACK
HOLY HOLY HOLY	SPIRIT OF AMERICA	GOD BLESS	
	PROUD MARY		
	HEY SONG		
	THINK		
	SWEET CAROLINE		
	RAWHIDE		
	SWANEE		
	SWEET HOME CHICAGO		
	SWEET GEORGIA BROWN		
	BOOGIE SHOES		
	HAWAII 5 0		
	SEPTEMBER		
	PAUL SIMON		
	GOD BLESS AMERICA		

