

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

# ***MARCHING BAND***

***& Color Guard***

## **TO DO LIST**

- Complete interest form.
- Join our Band App Communication Thread(s)
- Attend Pre-season rehearsals (starting 5/18)
- Complete Medical Clearance (by July 27)
- Pay \$190 Dues (by August 7)
- Purchase Practice Uniform (Shorts and Black Shoes)



**Band App  
For Students & Parents**



**Interest Form**

# MARCHING BAND

## SEASON AT A GLANCE

### May and June

5/5 - Info Night @ 6pm

5/18 Begin Pre-Season Practice Schedule

### Pre-Season Schedule

Most odd days 2:30-4pm

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### August

8/3 - Start Band Camp (two weeks)

8/17 - Begin *Heavy* Practice Schedule

1 Saturday Fundraiser TBD (Tag Day)

1-2 Friday Home Games TBD

### Band Camp Schedule

Monday-Friday

8am-4pm

### Heavy Practice Schedule

Monday-Friday

2:30-5pm.

### September

Begin reduced practice schedule\*

1-2 Saturday Competitions TBD

1 Evening Field Trip (TBD)

3-4 Friday Home Games (TBD)

### Reduced Schedule

Odd Days 3-5pm

### October

Continue reduced practice schedule.

1-2 Saturday Competitions (TBD)

3-4 Home Games

### Game Day Schedule

3pm - Practice

5pm Dinner

7pm - Game Starts

9pm - Game Ends

### November

Season ends after last home game.

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### December

2-3 short practices (parade prep)

Nokesville Community Christmas Parade 12/12 @ 3pm

# MEDICAL CLEARANCE

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**Effective July 1, 2026, all high school marching band participants, including color guard, will be designated as student-athletes for health, safety, and eligibility purposes.** As a result of this designation, students must complete the same participation requirements as student-athletes **before attending marching band camp.**

Parents and guardians must complete the online athletic and activities registration at least one week before the first day of marching band camp to allow time for eligibility review and medical clearance.

## MEDICAL CLEARANCE CHECK LIST

- Physical Exam with a Dr. (Bring the VHSL form with you)
- Create an Arbiter Account
- Upload pages 1-3 of VHSL Form through Arbiter
- Complete annual student athletic education (online training)



VHSL Physical Form  
(Bring this to your Dr.  
Appointment)



PWCS Website  
Student Athletic  
Online Registration

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*Pro Tip: Make the medical appointment NOW while your thinking about it!*

# MARCHING BAND

## INFO

### **How does Marching Band work?**

Marching Band functions like an after school sport, but students receive academic credit (0.5) per season.

### **Who can participate?**

BDHS Marching Band and Color guard is open to all students at Brentsville High School and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders at the Nokesville School. There is no audition requirement, but part assignment is determined by the director.

### **Student Fees.**

Dues are \$190 per family paid to the BDHS Band Boosters by August 3, 2026.

### **Student Expectations.**

Students follow PWCS guidelines regarding student behavior. They participate in all rehearsals and perform in all games. They act professionally, follow instructions of staff and volunteers. They work hard to learn their part and strive for excellence and support and encourage their team mates.

### **Attendance.**

If a student needs to miss a practice or game, they should email Mr. Yearsley and CC a parent beforehand and provide a reasonable excuse. This is very important.

We expect students to attend all rehearsals and games. Attendance is tied into the weekly rehearsal grade and performance grade.

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## INFO

### **How does Band Camp work?**

Band camp runs two weeks Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. Starting August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Students should bring a lunch, at least one litre of ice water and dress for athletic activity in warm up weather. Bring Sunscreen and hat. The general format is drill in the AM and musical rehearsals in the PM.

### **Practice Uniform:**

- Black Athletic Shorts
- Band Shirt or all Black, White, or Orange T shirt.
- ALL BLACK Athletic / Tennis Shoes.

Students should wear their All Black practice uniform to all performances and rehearsals. DO NOT show up to MB practice in Crocks, All Dudes, Sandals, Cowboy Boots and Jeans.

### **What Instrument will my student play**

Part assignments are determined by the director and take into account the needs of the group and individual student strengths.

### **What is the grading policy?**

Grades are calculated as total points possible divided by total points earned.

### **Sample Grading Categories**

- Weekly Rehearsal Grade, including attendance. (10-20 Pts)
- Tests (20-50 Pts)
- Performances (75-150 Pts)

### **How Does 8<sup>th</sup> Participation Grade Work?**

8<sup>th</sup> Graders are released from TNS @ dismissal. 8<sup>th</sup> graders do not receive academic credit.

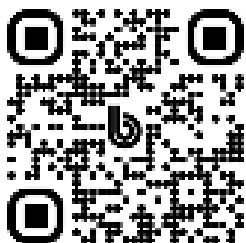
# **PARENTS**

## ***WE NEED YOUR HELP***

### **Parent Expectations:**

We need every parent to help out in order to continue our tradition of excellence. Parents, please support our families by volunteering for at least job below.

- Chaperone a field trip to an away competitions
- Serve on the Pit Crew (All performances)
- Tow the Band Trailer (big truck needed)
- Serve on the Band Boosters Board
- Assist other families with rides
- Support Fundraising activities
- Help with meals for students on Game Days
- Organize and Support
  - Band Merchandise / Team Store
  - Team Photos
  - Fitzwater Signs
  - Senior Banners



***BAND APP THREAD  
BAND BOOSTERS GENERAL PAGE***