



Weekly Band Newsletter

November 11 - 15

Important Information

Region Band Results!!!

Congratulations to all of our fantastic band students that auditioned for the Region Band last Saturday, and a special congratulations to the following students for earning a chair in the Region Band:

Flutes:

Ellison Scholz - 1st chair Concert Band
Tiani Sanders - 6th chair Concert Band
Imari Fulk - 2nd alternate

Oboe:

Jace Quick - 1st alternate

Bassoon:

Aurorah Jacobson - 2nd chair Symphonic Band

Clarinet:

Delaney Salazar - 2nd chair Symphonic Band
Harper Aaronson - 5th chair Symphonic Band
Jethro Copley - 9th chair Symphonic Band
Landynn Luke - 7th chair Concert Band
Katy Nguyen - 1st alternate

Bass Clarinet:

Luke Button - 1st chair Symphonic Band
Josiah Wheelock - 3rd chair Concert Band

Alto Saxophone:

Selah McAfee - 1st chair Concert Band

Bari Saxophone:

Ian Pena - 2nd alternate

Trumpet:

Sebastian Castaneda - 2nd chair Symphonic Band
Marco Zavala - 6th chair Symphonic Band
Rolando Morgan - 7th chair Symphonic Band
Joshua Bennett - 1st chair Concert Band
Joseph Hill - 6th chair Concert Band
David Casanova - 9th chair Concert Band
Cameron Adams - 1st alternate

Horn:

Eli Stewart - 1st chair Symphonic Band
Jaydon Vance - 3rd chair Concert Band
Darius Lopez - 6th chair Concert Band
Julian Martinez Meza - 8th chair Concert Band

Trombone:

Austin Carrillo - 1st chair Symphonic Band
Rush Blair - 2nd chair Symphonic Band
Westley Small - 2nd chair Concert Band
Mathias Muchunu - 4th chair Concert Band
Maximus Coburn - 5th chair Concert Band
Jovanni Dominguez - 2nd alternate

Euphonium:

Owen Huckfeldt - 1st chair Concert Band
Liam Whitmire - 4th chair Concert Band
Kason Taylor - 1st alternate

Tuba:

Owen Stum - 1st chair Concert Band
Sabrina Stafford - 2nd chair Concert Band
Brock Russell Stephens - 1st alternate
Tyler Garcia - 2nd alternate

Percussion:

Michael Parks - 4th chair Symphonic Band
Aiden Daboul - 6th chair Symphonic Band
Liam Evatt - 7th chair Symphonic Band
Jackson Shelley - 3rd chair Concert Band
Caleb Sutterfield - 7th chair Concert Band

Region Band Clinic/Concert

If your student made the Region Band (as listed above), they have the Clinic and Concert on this Saturday, 11/9. The students received a letter with an itinerary in their music folder last Saturday, but here it is in case you did not see it yet: **Region Parent Letter**.

- Students need to bring their instrument, their region band folder (or the music in their band binder), a pencil, and any reeds, valve oil, or other instrument maintenance items.
- Students need to arrive at Belton High School no later than 8:45 am. They can wear comfortable clothing that is IN DRESS CODE. We recommend bringing a jacket or hoodie because some of the performance spaces are typically very cold.
- Students will have lunch on their own from 12:00 until 1:15 pm. This meal is NOT provided by the directors. Students either need to pack a lunch, bring money and walk to a nearby restaurant, or have a parent pick them up and bring them to eat. Please ensure they are back by 1:15 so they are prepared to start rehearsal at 1:30 pm.
- Students will have time from 4:15 pm until 4:45 pm to change into their band uniform (black band button up shirt, black dress pants, black long socks, black shoes). They need to bring their uniform with them in the morning or have it dropped off by a parent during lunch so they are able to efficiently change and be ready for their Concert Call Time.
- Concerts begin at 5:00 with the Concert Band and then the Symphonic Band.

IMPORTANT: If your student earned a chair in the Region Band but cannot attend for whatever reason, please notify your student's director AS SOON AS POSSIBLE so the contest director can notify the alternate.

Beginner Band Rehearsal - 11/5, 11/12, 11/19

The beginner band's next performance will be the Winter Concert on December 3rd at LBHS. Because each class will come together to perform, we will have three MANDATORY after school rehearsal in November to prepare. Those rehearsals will be on November 5, November 12, and November 19th. Please note that these dates are different than the Band Calendar handed out at the beginning of the year. Sorry for this change, but our band has grown so much that we now need a larger rehearsal space! Students need to stay after school and the rehearsal will take place in the NBMS Cafeteria from 4:00 - 5:30 pm.

If a student **MUST** miss rehearsal, your child's director must be notified at least 48 hours to the rehearsal to gain approval for the absence. These are the only chances we get to bring all of the students together and learn how our parts fit within the band, so it is crucial that all students are in attendance.

Spare Time Social - 12/20

THIS IS A DATE CHANGE!!!!

We will have our next band social at Spare Time on Friday, December 20th from 7:00-9:00 pm. More information will be given out as this event gets closer.

Required Documents and Payments

Forms Needed:

If you have not already done so, please go into **CutTime** and make sure you have signed the Handbook Form, BISD Extracurricular Code of Conduct Form, and Instrument Usage Agreement (if applicable). We need these forms back as soon as possible.

Everything Day Orders and Payments:

Band t-shirts, Long-Sleeve Shirts, and hoodie orders have been placed. If you have not yet turned in your payment please do so.

If you would like to pay online, you may using the following links:

Red Band T-Shirt

Long-Sleeve Button-up Shirt

Instrument Rental Fee

Class Information

Wind Ensemble

Upcoming Assignments:

No Assignment this week

Sectionals are over until after Thanksgiving. Thank you for making sure your student attended their after school practice.

If students wish to practice after school, they need to speak with a director to arrange an available time.

Symphonic Band

Upcoming Assignments:

11/15 Concert F Scale Pattern 1 (Blue Book page 12)

11/22 Warm-Up Set 1, Option 1 (Blue Book page 6)

12/3 WINTER CONCERT (major grade)

12/6 Chorale 1 (Blue Book page 30)

12/13 Chorale 3 (Blue Book page 32)

Sectionals are over until after Winter Break. Thank you for making sure your student attended their after school practice. These rehearsals will be MANDATORY for all Symphonic Band students!

If students wish to practice after school, they need to speak with a director to arrange an available time.

Concert Band

Upcoming Assignments:

There are no weekly recorded assignments at this time. Please make sure you are turning in your daily Bell-Ringer from www.musictheory.net.

If students wish to practice after school, they need to speak with a director to arrange an available time.

Beginner Band

Upcoming Assignments:

Beginners should be working on their Winter Concert music at home! Each class will be given playing assignments during school based on what sections need extra work.

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Students should be practicing between 10-20 minutes daily or around an hour for the entire week. The best way to ensure student success is to create a regular practice schedule with your child in a location with minimal distraction that allows for proper posture.

Important Band Links

Calendar

The band calendar can be found on our website at <https://nbmsband.net/calendar/>. Many of our dates are already locked in. However, there are times that an event date is changed to due to conflicts. Either way, we try to send out reminders at least two weeks prior to each event with details. A weekly newsletter is also sent out with upcoming dates for the month. Please check the band calendar regularly for updates.

Band Handbook

A copy of this year's updated handbook can be found on the band website at <https://nbmsband.net/resources/>. Please look over it. An electronic signature page is available on CutTime. If you have any questions about anything in the handbook, please ask.

Upcoming Events

11/9: All-Region Band Clinic/Concert

- Only qualifying students

11/12: Beginner Band Rehearsal (4:00-5:30pm)

- Required for ALL beginner band students

11/19: Beginner Band Rehearsal (4:00-5:30pm)

- Required for ALL beginner band students

12/3: Winter Concert @ LBHS (6:00pm)

- Itinerary will be provided as the concert gets closer

12/9: Jazz Band Winter Concert @ LBHS

- All NBMS, LBMS, and LBHS jazz band students

12/13: Holiday Winter Tour

- Wind Ensemble Only

12/20: Spare Time Social (7:00pm-9:00pm)

- All NBMS band students and families are invited, cost and other information TBA
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Meet The Directors



Dane Wurman

Director of Bands
North Belton Middle School

Mr. Wurman is starting his eighteenth year of teaching and his eleventh year at North Belton Middle School. He teaches the Wind Ensemble, as well as the beginner trumpet, horn, trombone, baritone, and tuba classes. Mr. Wurman also assists with the Symphonic Band.

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Kaitlyn Pineiro

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North Belton Middle School

Ms. Pineiro is starting her thirteenth year of teaching and her sixth year at North Belton Middle School. She teaches the Symphonic and Concert Bands, as well as the beginner flute, oboe, bassoon, and clarinet classes. Ms. Pineiro also assists with the Wind Ensemble.

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Jacob Guerrero

Assistant Band Director
Lake Belton High School
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Mr. Guerrero is starting his fifth year of teaching. He is one of the Assistant Band Directors at Lake Belton High School. Mr. Guerrero teaches the Jazz Band and the beginner saxophone classes here at North Belton Middle School. He also assists with the Concert Band.

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Craig George

Percussion Director
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Mr. George is starting his twentieth year teaching public school and his fourth year in Belton ISD. He is one of the Assistant Band Directors at Lake Belton High School and teaches percussion at both North Belton and Lake Belton Middle Schools.

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