



Weekly Band Newsletter

August 26 - 30

Important Information

Hello band parents! We had another great week. We are getting back into our routines and every class is making music!

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 by this Friday, 8/23.

Everything Day Orders and Payments:

If you were unable to attend Everything Day on Saturday, August 10, your student received a paper copy of the Everything Day form. Please return this form by Friday, 8/23 with the appropriate payment. EVERYBODY needs a red band t-shirt. If your student has theirs from last year and it still fits, they do not need to purchase a new one. All students in the Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, and Concert Band need the long-sleeve button-up shirt. If they are an 8th grader and their one from last year still fits, they do not need to purchase a new one. Students only need to pay an instrument rental fee if they are using a school-owned instrument such as oboe, bassoon, bass clarinet, tenor sax, bari sax, french horn, baritone/euphonium, and tuba.

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:

8/24: Region Band Boot Camp (10am - 2pm)

8/30: Two-Octave Chromatic Scale Due

Please don't forget about sectionals! These are required for all Wind Ensemble students and will help prepare them for the All-Region Band auditions in November. Sectionals are from 4-5 pm one day a week unless otherwise stated. If your student is an 8th grade athlete, they will go to sectionals on their day from 4:00-4:30 pm. The coaches are aware of this split, but please have your student talk to their coach so they know to include your student in their plans.

Afternoon Sectional Schedule:

Monday: Flutes and Tubas

Tuesday: Clarinets and Horns

Thursday: Bass Clarinets and Trumpets

Friday: Saxophones and Trombones/Baritones

Morning Sectional Schedule:

Tuesday: Bassoons

Wednesday: Oboes

Students need to bring all supplies to class as soon as possible. Please see the **supply list** if you have any questions.

Symphonic Band

Upcoming Assignments:

8/24: Region Band Boot Camp (10am - 2pm) **Optional for Symphonic Band students

8/30: Concert Eb Region Scale Due, Region Assignment #2 Due

Please don't forget about sectionals! These are optional for the Symphonic Band in the fall, but are required if your student plans to try out for the All-Region Band in November. Sectionals are from 4-5 pm one day a week unless otherwise stated. If your student is an 8th grade athlete, they will go to sectionals on their day from 4:00-4:30 pm. The coaches are aware of this split, but please have your student talk to their coach so they know to include your student in their plans.

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Wednesday: Oboes

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Concert Band

Upcoming Assignments:

8/24: Region Band Boot Camp (10am - 2pm) **Optional for Concert Band students

8/30: One Octave Concert Eb Scale Due

Please don't forget about sectionals! These are optional for the Concert Band in the fall, but are required if your student plans to try out for the All-Region Band in November. Sectionals are from 4-5 pm one day a week unless otherwise stated. If your student is an 8th grade athlete, they will go to sectionals on their day from 4:00-4:30 pm. The coaches are aware of this split, but please have your student talk to their coach so they know to include your student in their plans.

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Beginner Band

Upcoming Assignments:

8/30: Parts of the Instrument/Theory Test

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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.

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.

Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct

Every **STUDENT & PARENT** involved in band must sign the BISD Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct. This may be signed electronically in Cut Time by both parents and students. Students will need to follow these steps to gain access to their CutTime account:

- 1) Go to CutTime.net
- 2) Click the "Log In" button on the top right hand corner of the page
- 3) Click the button that says "Looking for CutTime Next Gen? Click here..."
- 4) Click "students" on the bottom right hand corner
- 5) Students will enter their BISD email (firstname.lastname@mybisd.net)
- 6) Click "send link"
- 7) Go to their school email account. Click on the link sent by "Cut Time Support"
- 8) Click "send verification code"
- 9) Go back to their school email account. Click on the new email sent by "Cut Time Support"
- 10) Copy the verification code that was sent. Each person will have a different code
- 11) Paste the code in the Cut Time Log In Page
- 12) Click "submit"
- 13) Click on the link that says "North Belton Middle School Band 2024-2025 Season"
- 14) Scroll down to the "documents" section. It is close to the bottom
- 15) Click where it says "BISD Extra-Curricular Code of Conduct" and electronically sign

Upcoming Events

8/24: Region Band Boot Camp @ NBMS (10:00am-2:00pm)

- (Required - Wind Ensemble
- Optional - Symphonic and Concert Band

9/5: 8th Grade Band Night @ LBHS

- All 8th grade students

10/2: Region Band Cram Jam @ LBMS (4:20-7:20pm)

- Required - Wind Ensemble
- Optional - Symphonic and Concert Band

10/3 or 10/4: Fan-Pledge Live Event @ NBMS (4:00-6:00pm)

- Optional, but highly recommended

10/11: Sit In Concert (6:00-6:30pm)

- Beginner Band Only

10/11: Fine Arts Social - Movie @ NBMS Football Field (7:30pm)

- All NBMS band, orchestra, and choir students are invited

11/2: All-Region Band Auditions @ College Station Middle School

- Required - Wind Ensemble
- Optional - Symphonic and Concert Band

11/7: Beginner Band Rehearsal (4:00-5:30pm)

- Required for ALL beginner band students

11/9: All-Region Band Clinic/Concert

- Only qualifying students

11/14: Beginner Band Rehearsal (4:00-5:30pm)

- Required for ALL beginner band students

11/21: 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

12/13: Spare Time Social (5:30-7:00pm)

- All NBMS band students and families are invited

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

Assistant Band Director
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
Assistant Band Director
Lake Belton High School

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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