



Weekly Band Newsletter

September 23 - 27

Coming Soon!!!

Region Band Cram Jam - 10/2

This event is required for all students trying out for Region Band on November 2nd (including all students in Wind Ensemble). We will take a bus to Lake Belton Middle School to rehearse the region music from 4:30 pm until 7:30 pm. We will provide a pizza dinner for all attendees, but students are welcome to bring their own snacks. Students need to be picked up at Lake Belton Middle School at 7:30 pm.

Fan-Pledge Fundraiser - 10/10

Our Fan-Pledge Fundraiser has been pushed back one week to Thursday, Oct. 10th, from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm. Fundraisers are always optional but highly encouraged! This fundraiser is how we help pay for social events, provide scholarships, purchase instruments, maintenance supplies, binders, music, etc. More information will be sent out as the event gets closer.

Beginner Sit-In Concert - 10/11

Our first beginner concert is on Friday, October 11th! This is a chance for parents to sit next to their students while they play their concert music. Woodwind students (flutes, oboes, clarinets, and saxophones) need to arrive at NBMS by 5:30 pm so we can begin our performance in the cafeteria by 6:00 pm. Brass students (trumpets, horns, trombones, baritones, tubas) need to arrive at NBMS by 6:45 pm so we can begin our performance by 7:00 pm. Students need to wear their red band t-shirt, blue jean pants, and close-toed shoes.

Fine Arts Movie Night - 10/11

Our first band social will take place on Friday, October 11th at 8:00 pm. We will have a blow-up movie screen and projector on the NBMS football field, and all NBMS band, choir, and orchestra students and their families are invited! We will have Kona Ice, a coffee truck, and possibly some food trucks available if you would like to purchase concessions. The movie itself will be free, so bring some fold up chairs or blankets and enjoy some family time!

Important Information

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:

9/27: Region Assignment #6

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 & Tubas

Tuesday: Clarinets and Horns

Thursday: Bass Clarinets and Trumpets

Friday: Saxophones and Trombones/Baritones

Morning Sectional Schedule:

Tuesday: Bassoons

Wednesday: Oboes

Thursday: French Horns

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:

9/27: Chromatic Scale (Required Region Scale Page)

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.

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

Thursday: French Horns

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

Concert Band

Upcoming Assignments:

9/27: Chromatic Scale - One Octave

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.

Afternoon Sectional Schedule:

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Beginner Band

Upcoming Assignments:

9/27: Beginner Woodwinds - Merrily We Roll Along

9/27: Beginner Brass - French Song

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

Students should be practicing between 10-20 minutes daily or around an hour for the entire week.

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

10/2: Region Band Cram Jam @ LBMS (4:30-7:30pm)

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

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

- Optional, but highly recommended

10/11: Sit In Concert Beginner Band Only

- 6:00 pm - Beginner Woodwinds
- 7:00 pm - Beginner Brass

10/11: Fine Arts Social - Movie @ NBMS Football Field (8:00 pm)

- 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

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

- Required for ALL beginner band students

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

12/13: 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

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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

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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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