

Cypress Woods High School Band

Weekly Announcement Sheet (Week of August 21)

<https://www.cywoodsband.org/>



Weekly Schedule

(Week of August 21, 2023)

Monday, August 21 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-11am)

Tuesday, August 22 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-11am)

Wednesday, August 23 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-11am)

Thursday, August 24 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-11am & 6pm-8:30pm)*

Friday, August 25 - GAME vs Katy Taylor @ Berry Center (7:30pm-10:30pm)* Rehearsal at Woods JV Field (8am-10:00am)

(Week of August 28, 2023)

Monday, August 28 - Rehearsal for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (3:20pm-5:50pm)

Tuesday, August 29 - Rehearsal for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (6pm-8:30pm)

Wednesday, August 30 - Rehearsal for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (3:20pm-5:50pm)

Thursday, August 31 - GAME vs Dulles @ Mercer Stadium (7pm-10pm)*

Friday, September 1 - No Rehearsal! Class time to rest and do homework/study!

Director Announcements

We had another great week of camp last week, and the students did a FANTASTIC job traveling and performing at the Cat Kick-Off pep rally on Saturday night! It was probably the smoothest that event has gone for the group, and we are very proud of them for representing the organization so well.

This week we will travel for our first game at Berry Center. The itinerary for that event is included in the section below. Please familiarize yourself with the schedule and required uniform items. We cannot wait to share our 2023 Fall Production - "Along the Edge" with the community this Friday. We usually rehearse for games in the afternoon, but the heat will be pretty extreme. Because of this, the rehearsal will take place in the morning, and then the students will leave until it's time to arrive later in the afternoon to eat/change/load. For that morning field rehearsal at Woods they will wear their grey dri-fit shirt, black band shorts, long black socks, and black band shoes.

Please note the rehearsal schedule above for Thursday, August 24th. We will be starting to safely acclimate the students to the afternoon/evening heat.

The WiddyUp fundraiser is doing well, but we need your help following up with the individuals your student shared it with. So far, we are close to hitting \$32,000 but our final goal is \$70,000. We passed \$50,000 last year! This is a completely possible goal to reach, and would greatly help in keeping the cost of business and fees down for the entire organization. Please encourage your student(s) to do their part. Without this fundraiser, we would not have the resources we need to be competitive in our classification. We've got just over one more week left, so let's see how much ground we can cover! If you and your student cannot get logged in to the platform, please let me know, and I can get it fixed with the WiddyUp people. They're great and work quickly.

Attendance

As we approach the start of school, please do your best to schedule any appointments around the rehearsal and performance calendar posted on the website Google Calendar. Please communicate with Mr. Peterman in advance and provide a doctor's note upon return. Unexcused absences by a director may result in loss of competitive spot or not being allowed to perform at that week's events. Thank you for your cooperation on this.

Official Band Calendar: Please visit our official Google Calendar on the band website. It is updated on a regular basis and has all upcoming events posted for the current school year. Be familiar with the rehearsal and performance schedule on the band website calendar. You are expected to know the schedule and required to be at all rehearsals and events.

<https://www.cywoodsband.org/calendar>

Marching Show Music Pass-Offs

- The deadline for Part 3 is 08/24. They can pass off with leadership.

Itineraries (UPDATED)

Game vs Katy Taylor @ Berry Center (August 25)

7:00 AM - Band Hall Opens
7:30 AM - Move to JV Field
8:00 AM - Rehearsal on JV Field (required to perform!)
10:00 AM - Rehearsal Ends; Students go home!
3:00 PM - Band Hall Opens
3:30 PM - Report Time
4:00 PM - Eat/Change into Required Game Attire/Load - Those who do not opt in for the booster meal will need to bring a meal for dinner!
5:30 PM - Depart for Berry Center
6:00 PM - Arrive at Berry Center
6:30 PM - In Stadium
7:30 PM - Game Begins
10:30 PM - Game Finishes
11:00 PM - Depart Berry Center
11:30 PM - Arrive back at Woods/Pick up students in front of the Auditorium. DO NOT pick up around back.

Required Morning Rehearsal Attire/Materials:

- Grey Dri-Fit
- Black Band Shorts
- Long Black Socks
- Black Viper Shoes
- Flip Folder/Lyre
- Instrument
- Grey Water Jug

Required Game Attire/Materials:

- Red Dri-Fit
- Black Band Shorts
- Long Black Socks
- Black Viper Shoes
- Flip Folder/Lyre
- Instrument
- Grey Water Jug
- Garment Bag

Boosters Announcements

From the President - Carrin Booth

Our kids sounded so good & NOVA's performance was fantastic last night at their first big event, the Cat Kickoff! Everything ran so smoothly and the kids had a great time!

- Mark your calendars...there will be a Volunteer Safety Meeting on **August 24th @ 7pm in the Band Hall**. If you plan on volunteering in any capacity with our band you need to attend this important meeting.
- Thank you for following the Event Student Pickup Rules last night. This made things run very smoothly and kept our kids safe! I did modify the map to reflect what you saw last night in the parking lot. [Rules For Pickup After Events](#)
- We will have new rules for picking your child up after practice. Please look at the map carefully, it is a little different from the Event Pickup map. We had to change this because of the new fence and gates that are being put up by the district. We appreciate your cooperation with these new rules! [Pickup After Practice](#)
- Our *Pit Crew* has again been working on weekends and some weekdays to prepare all of the awesome props and stages that will be part of our Along the Edge show this year! These gentlemen and ladies work so hard, especially in this heat, to make our show look fantastic! We are so fortunate to have such talented, hard-working people be part of our Pit Crew! THANK YOU all so much for your dedication to our band program!


From the VP - Michelle Jendral

Individual pictures will be taken during the school day on September 19th. Please see attached order form.

- [Individual Photos Order Form 23-24.pdf](#)

FOR SENIORS ONLY:

Please make sure to sign up for one slot for Senior Family Photos on September 9th on the sign-up genius. [Senior Band/Nova: 2023-2024 Band and Nova Senior Family Pictures \(signupgenius.com\)](#)

Also, the order form PDF that our photographer sent out is showing incorrect prices when pulled up on a phone. To see the PDF correctly, please open it on a computer. The correct prices are \$45 for the Silver Plan, \$47 for the Gold Plan, and \$55 for the Platinum Plan. Sorry for any confusion this may have caused. Please see attached form.  CW BAND senior Parent 2024.pdf

From the VP of Fundraising - Kim Fenney

Our Widdy Up fundraiser is rockin and rolling! Many of our band & NOVA students received rewards for their hard work in reaching out to friends and family to bring in donations. Congratulations to the top 5 earners for our Day 5 reward last week: Connor Kaminski, Akash Chowdhury, Lance Jehlik, Alex Palmisano, and June Gelder.

Currently our band & NOVA have raised over \$31,000 in donations!! With only a week left to go, let's show that 212 spirit and keep those donations coming! Our goal is to raise \$70,000 this year! Don't forget, our top overall earner wins a \$100 Amazon gift card!!

Kim Fenney

Phone: 832-283-9868

Email: cywoodsband.vpfund@gmail.com

From the Treasurers - Valerie Therrien & MaryPat Christ

Band and NOVA payments are now due. If your student has outstanding fees that are due, please take a moment to log into Charms and make a payment or send a check or cash with your child to be placed in the locked, RED box in the band hall. Charms instructions are included below.

Band/Percussion - \$645 plus uniform deposit

Uniform Deposit - Band (\$141), Tubas (\$106), Battery (\$105), Front Ensemble (\$70) –now past due

\$215 August 1 – now past due

\$215 due September 1

\$215 due October 1

NOVA - \$525 (\$750 including the uniform deposit) *

\$225 Uniform Deposit – now past due

\$175 August 1 – now past due

\$175 due September 1

\$175 due October 1

*Additional fees will be due in January for Winter Guard students that wish to participate in Winter Guard during the spring semester. Fees may be paid by cash, check (made out to CWBBA) or online by credit/debit card in your student's Charms account.

How to pay on Charms:

Log into your student's Charms account (www.charmsoffice.com – on a computer, not cell phone) School Code – CWHSBAND

Enter your student's Charms Password . For first time users, your password is your student's Student ID (without the S). New users will be prompted to reset their password upon initial log-in.

Click on the Finance icon

In the "Paid By" column, click on the PayPal switch to turn it blue next to the fee installment(s) you want to pay (you can pay more than one if you want)

Click on the blue box that says, "Pay Fixed Payments"

Chaperones

Thank you so much to everyone who volunteered and donated snacks for our Cat-Kick-Off. Unfortunately, we did not have enough snacks donated to pass out on the buses this time. Our hope is that we have enough snacks by this Friday 8/25 to be able to pass

snacks out after the game. We have 10 buses we run for every game/contest and each bus has about 30 students. We like to give each person at least one salty snack and one sweet snack.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C45ACAA29A4FE3-snack>

Snack donations can be sent with your student in the morning, or you can drop off when you pick up your student from band camp.

We added an Amazon option for those who prefer to ship the snack donations. We just ask that they are delivered by Thursday / Friday of this week. If you are choosing to ship via amazon send to:

(Ms. Ionna Chowdhury AB 2810) Cy-Woods High School 13550 Woods-Spillane Blvd. Cypress, TX 77429

We are looking forward to a Fantastic year. Thank you so much for everyone who signed up to be a chaperone. We look forward to serving alongside you as we get to support our wonderful hard-working band students.

Kind regards,

Martha Price & Ionna Chowdhury

cywoodsband.chaperones@gmail.com

First Aid and Water Committee

- WE NEED YOU! There are still many opportunities to get plugged in. Please visit our SignUpGenius for all the details. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0448a5af23ab9-first>
- THANK YOU to everyone who has signed up to volunteer at the First Aid & Water Station! With your help, we will keep our students hydrated and healthy during on-campus practices throughout the marching season.

Students should:

- Bring a CLEAN water jug filled with ICE and WATER every morning.
- Pack electrolyte packets.
- EAT BREAKFAST!

Committee Chairs:

Jill Milkovisch - (713) 256-5520 Kim Scherzer - (713) 858-5484
Stephanie Ferreira - (281) 250-8049 Brenda Myers - (713) 419-8623
cywoodsband.firstaidwater@gmail.com

Uniforms Committee

We are always here and happy to help at any time for any question/need with you and your student pertaining to uniforms. We have a uniforms info page on the band website with some "what to pack" photos to help your student be prepared as we move into football games and competitions. Please go to <https://www.cywoodsband.org/uniforms> or text/call Bridget @ 281-840-7774.

The students did a great job donning the district (white jacket and bibs) for the band photo on Saturday!! They also did a wonderful job learning how to properly hang the uniform back up, including the new custom uniform top, cowl and gauntlet gloves. We will begin distributing the custom uniform pieces this week beginning with seniors on Monday 8-21-23. All uniforms are to remain in the band hall on uniform racks at the school. The uniforms and all the pieces NEVER go home with the students. Please if your student comes home with any piece of uniform we kindly ask he/she bring it back to school immediately.

Custom Uniform Try-On Schedule for This Week:

- Seniors: Monday 11am-4pm (will start after rehearsal and finish when complete)
- Juniors: Tuesday 11am-4pm (will start after rehearsal and finish when complete)
- Sophomores: Wednesday 11am-4pm (will start after rehearsal and finish when complete)
- Freshmen: Thursday 7am-4pm (will start during morning rehearsal and finish when complete)

On their try-on day, students need to bring change of clothes, since they will be sweaty after morning rehearsal; also bring lunch/snacks/extra hydration so students can eat and then wait to try on their uniform.

Friday 8-25-23 football game versus Katy at Berry Center 7pm (crimson out)—students must take to school his/her garment bag (with PONCHO in side pocket) with band RED dri-fit shirt, black band shorts, black marching shoes, long black socks, white rehearsal gloves (please wash your gloves if dirty). Please also take to school with you your 2023 grey water jug filled with ice/water. Don't forget your flip folder, music and instrument.

Place a clean new trash bag in the side pocket of your student(s) garment bag for rainy weather-It gets very wet in the bleachers when it rains. It is helpful for each student to keep a large folded new trash bag in the outside pocket of his/her garment bag so if it does rain, each student can place his/her garment bag inside the trash bag which helps to prevent everything from getting wet. The students wear their ponchos to keep themselves and instruments dry.

Labeling items-Please make sure that all uniform items are labeled with first and last name in black sharpie marker (can't stress this enough).

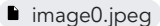
Extra uniform items and water jugs-We do have extra flip folders \$6, flip folder pages \$4, black socks \$2, water jugs \$6 and white rehearsal gloves for \$6 for sale—send exact cash or check made to CWBBA and go to the uniform room.

As the season begins we prepare for possibly 3 laundry dates. We are in need of 3-4 more families to help with laundry. Bigger band means more washing machines please!! It is easy and we will walk you through the steps to take any fear away. It is a great way to be a part of this wonderful band family without a huge time commitment!! Text or email Bridget 281-840-7774 😊

Spirit Shop

Howdy, y'all! It's Yard Sign Time!!

We are offering custom yard signs for only \$35! You can create it any way you would like- for your Band & NOVA kid or customize for your whole family!

Just fill out the below order form and I will send a separate email to start the customization process. Click for examples of Yard Signs: 

Don't delay! Deadline is August 27!

Order your yard sign here:

<https://www.powr.io/form-builder/i/36501492#page>

If you have any questions or issues contact me at cypresswoodsband.spiritshop@gmail.com
Kiley Holbrook

Flag Committee

On Friday, the flag fundraiser received 175 flags that need to be put together by August 27, 2023.

If you are interested in helping put some flags together this week, please reach out to cywoodsband.flags@gmail.com.

Kind regards,

Anna Lewis

cywoodsband.flags@gmail.com

Hospitality

Howdy from the Hospitality Committee!

It's our pleasure to offer the optional Game Day Meals Program which ensures our students are fed so they can perform at their best on game and contest days. As you can imagine, feeding 375+ people is a challenge, and we are psyched to do it, but we need your help to ensure success!

If you placed a "Once and Done" order (all 11 meals), THANK YOU, your kiddo is set for the season!

If you are ordering week by week please place your student's meal order no later than Sunday evening @ 10 PM for that week's meal. For example, if you want a meal for August 25th, we need your order placed by 10 PM on Sunday August 20th. Please understand, we need time to coordinate with our catering partner (they need advance notice too) and make sure that all dietary preferences and restrictions are accommodated.

Placing your meal orders in a timely manner not only helps us provide a successful meal event, keeps our Band and Nova members fed and hydrated, but it also keeps us on schedule AND makes Mr. Peterman happy!

To place your orders, please visit our online order form at

<https://www.powr.io/form-builder/i/36006267#page>

If you elect not to order a meal for a specific date, please ensure your child brings a meal or you drop off a meal CLEARLY MARKED WITH THEIR NAME by 3:45 pm to the Band Hall. Every student needs to have a meal so they can be prepared to participate.

One more thing, we can't do it without YOUR help on Game & Contest Days! Please consider volunteering with Hospitality when your schedule allows! This fast paced activity only needs about an hour of your time! If you are interested in helping out, please visit our Sign Up genius at the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C44AF2EABFB6-cwhs> ! Pro tip: It's a great way to see the kids before their performances!

Thanks for your help with the order deadlines and volunteering! We look forward to a fantastic season filled with outstanding performances and memorable experiences for both the Wildcat Band and Nova students.

Suzy Weaver and Kris Escobar
Hospitality Co-Chairs

Suzy Weaver & Kristin Escobar
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Additional Information & Resources

Handbook Acknowledgement

- If you have not done so, please take care of this week. All students and a parent/guard are required to read and acknowledge the expectations laid out in the [Band Handbook](#). Once you read through it, complete the Google Form: [Acknowledge & Sign Here!](#)

Passwords

- Music Materials: All student music materials like marching show music, recordings, and performance videos can be found on the band website in the Google Drive folder; the new password will be sent in a separate CHARMS email to ensure that only our students are gaining access to our materials. Mr. Peterman will grant access to the Google Drive upon request.
- SmugMug: Find event photos here! The password is *CWHS212!* <https://www.cywoodsband.org/photos>

Who Do I Ask? Not sure which director to go to for help with _____? Click here! <https://www.cywoodsband.org/who-do-i-ask>