

Cypress Woods High School Band

Weekly Announcement Sheet (Week of August 14 UPDATED)
<https://www.cywoodsband.org/>



Weekly Schedule

(Week of August 14, 2023)

Monday, August 14 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-3pm)
Tuesday, August 15 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-3pm)
Wednesday, August 16 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-3pm)
Thursday, August 17 - Camp for ALL Winds, Percussion, & NOVA (7am-3pm)
Friday, August 18 - NO REHEARSAL! ENJOY TODAY OFF!
Saturday, August 19 - Rehearsal and Pep-Rally (7am-8:30pm)*

(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 (7pm-11pm)* There will be a game day rehearsal before; info coming soon! The rehearsal time will be determined by the weather/anticipated heat that day, so we will be able to make that call based on the forecast early that week. We want the students to be safe.

Director Announcements

This Week's Schedule

Camp is off to a great start! The band has learned drill for all of Part 1, and has begun producing choreography. We will begin working on Part 2, also known as "the ballad", this week. Because of the district academic calendar this year, camp is a week longer than usual. Since the kids are on track with the production and have been working very hard, we have decided to give them the day off this Friday, August 18! We would have had an evening rehearsal that day, but the staff felt like we were in a good place and could give the gift of time back as a reward. We will still have Saturday rehearsal from 7am-4pm and then the community Cat Kick-Off Pep Rally performance that all students are required to attend on August 19. Please see the itinerary for Saturday below. The students will need to bring their lunch as usual, but dinner will be provided if you have opted into the meal for that evening.

The last adjustment is that rehearsals for Monday-Thursday this week will be from 7am-3pm, no longer ending at 4pm! Again, camp is longer this year, and the kids are working hard, so we are trying to throw them a bone!

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. Absences negatively impact the whole group, because we cover so much in one rehearsal alone. 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. When we are adding to the show at a rapid rate, missing rehearsals can become a safety issue. This has been our policy for years regarding attendance as we move into the school year and fall season. 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

- Part 2 is past due. Students should be working on Part 3; the deadline for Part 3 is 08/24.
- These are used in assigning competitive marching spots in the show, and required for all Woodwind and Brass players. Please read the pass-off letter in the link below:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dUaeAFXmBqXHsP8bluH7Hi3BP0H6MspR/view?usp=drivesdk>

Handbook Acknowledgement

- 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>

Itineraries

Cat Kick-Off Pep Rally @ Berry Center (August 19)

7:00 AM - Marching and logistics rehearsal
 11:00 AM - Lunch - Provide your own as usual for summer band
 11:50 AM - Get dressed for the full band picture
 12:30 PM - Picture in the main gym - Get out of the uniform following picture.
 1:30 PM - Music and logistics rehearsal
 4:00 PM - Eat/Change/Load - **Those who do not opt in for the booster meal will need to bring a second meal for dinner!**
 5:00 PM - Depart for Pep Rally (Berry Center)
 5:30 PM - Arrive Berry Center
 6:30 PM - Pep Rally
 8:00 PM - Finish
 8:30 PM - Depart Berry Center
 9:00 PM - Arrive back at Woods/Pick up students in front of the Auditorium. DO NOT pick up around back.

Required Uniform/Items for Picture:

- RED band dri-fit shirt
- Black band shorts
- Long black socks
- Black marching shoes (put initials on inside label)

Required Uniform/Items for Pep-Rally:

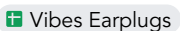
- RED band dri-fit shirt
 - Black band shorts
 - Athletic shoes (no sandals, flip flops, etc.)
 - Grey band water jug
 - Flip folder/lyre
 - Instrument
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Boosters Announcements

From the President - Carrin Booth

Our kids are working hard on our show...Along The Edge! It will be awesome to see the performance at the first football game in a few weeks!

The Cat Kickoff Pep Rally is on Saturday! Please consider coming to this event to support your child and our band program. The band plays throughout the event and our band would love to see all of you there to support them. Go Band!!!

- If you ordered the Vibes Earplugs, they are here! I will be handing them out on Tuesday with the extra Uniform items that were ordered. Please check this list and remind your child to pick up their Vibes from me. 
- Mark your calendars...there will be a Volunteer Safety Meeting on **August 24th @ 7pm**. If you plan on volunteering in any capacity with our band you need to attend this important meeting.

From the VP - Michelle Jendral

This Saturday, August 19th, the full band and Nova will be taking a group picture in the CyWoods gym at 12:30. Please make sure your child is present and a part of our group photo!

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 kicked off this past Monday 8/7/23 with great success! Many of our Band and NOVA students have earned donuts, candy, and Dutch Bros gift cards for the donations they have brought in. Let's keep working together to bring in the money!! We have raised over \$19,500 so far!! Encourage your student to reach out to friends and family to help support our program!

Check out our rewards program by clicking the link below to view the rewards for next week...You are not going to want to miss the ICE BUCKET DUMP with the directors on Tuesday!!

Widdy Up Fundraiser Rewards:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1VWICLXsy-UHp5UCNdj8kevdYLAwdzHT4YbQJkcjPyRI/edit#slide=id.p>

Kim Fenney

Phone: 832-283-9868

Email: cywoodsband.vpfund@gmail.com

From the Treasurers - Val 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"

Chaperone Committee

Hello Parents!!! We are asking for donations of snacks for after football games and on contest days. On game days our kids eat "dinner" at 4pm...that's pretty early! Since they are not allowed to eat in the stands or while in uniform, they are hungry after football games. We like to offer them a variety of snacks to choose from to eat on the way home from the games. Please consider signing up to donate a box of snacks for our kids. They LOVE getting these little treats on the way home!

Please read the sign-up carefully so that the snacks you donate are appropriate.

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

Thank you!

Martha Price & Ionna Chowdhury

cywoodsband.chaperones@gmail.com

First Aid and Water Committee

- There are several days coming up where we are short volunteers. It's difficult for the station to run efficiently without a full crew especially in this heat. Please take a look and see where you can step up and serve our amazing kids. You'll be in the shade and meet some really great Band & NOVA parents. Please visit our SignUpGenius for all the details and get plugged in now! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0448a5af23ab9-first>

Students should:

- Bring a water jug filled to the brim with ICE and WATER every morning.
- Consider packing electrolyte packets. It's HOT y'all.
- EAT BREAKFAST! No dairy and light on the sugar. No, energy drinks DON'T qualify as breakfast.
- A big shout out to everyone who has helped so far. We are so grateful. Please spread the word that serving is FUN! We don't want anyone to miss out.

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

***Important-Please read all information ***

- The uniform team will be distributing any extra items ordered on the Powr form or at registration night including practice gear (red/grey dri-fit shirts and black shorts), black marching shoes, rehearsal gloves and black socks on Tuesday 8-15-23 in the band hall from 11am-4pm. We will begin distributing items to students after they eat/cool off from morning practice. If your student(s) does not receive his/her items on Tuesday, we will be in the band hall again on Saturday 8-19-23 at 11am in preparation for the band photo followed by preparation for departure to the Berry Center for the Cat Kick Off.

**With the exception of 2 students, we have fitted all students for practice gear, custom uniform and the district uniform. If your student has not been fitted please contact Bridget immediately at 281-840-7774.

- PLEASE LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH STUDENT(S) FIRST AND LAST NAME - students make sure everything fits and THEN put your first and last name on clothing, inside shoes and on white rehearsal gloves; we cannot stress the importance of making sure everything a student owns is labeled with his/her first and last name; please take time to do this or ensure your student(s) does this with a black sharpie marker; with all the band students changing out of his/her uniform and shoes, it is very easy to pick up the wrong clothing items/shoes in the "sea" of clothing, shoes, garment bags, etc. in the band hall, bathrooms and hallways.

What to WEAR and BRING to school on SATURDAY 8-19-23 for BAND GROUP PHOTO AND CAT KICK OFF

- For morning rehearsal students should come to school wearing his/her band GREY dri-fit shirt, shorts of his/her choice, shoes and socks of his/her choice and bring your new 2023 grey water jug filled with ice/water
- Then take the following items in his/her band garment bag:
RED dri-fit shirt, black band shorts, black marching shoes, band poncho in ziploc bag given to students on registration night and long plain black socks (you need to have purchased these yourself or we have pairs to sell for \$2 in uniform room; the black socks must be long, completely black, not faded and they must not have any color or pattern on the sock other than possibly the toe area)
- After lunch, students will change into RED dri-fit shirt, black band shorts, long plain black socks and black band marching shoes for the group band photo in district uniforms (white jacket and black bib pants)
- For travel on buses to the Cat Kick Off pep rally - students will continue to wear the RED dri-fit shirt, black band shorts BUT are free to switch back to his/her own socks and tennis shoes (NO crocs, slides, flip flops or slippers)

- This is an official band function therefore everyone must be in uniform and we require everyone use the labeled 2023 GREY water jug; these have all been distributed to the students; if anyone has already lost his/her 2023 grey band water jug, it is \$6 to replace; all water jugs must be labeled with the printed name sticker provided by the uniform team; no other stickers or writing on the grey jug is allowed; it has been noted some of the new grey water jugs have cracked or the base has come unglued; please have your student(s) tell the uniform team immediately if he/she notices this.

ANTIPERSPIRANT/HYGIENE - our band students are working extremely hard out in this heat therefore it is no surprise to anyone that everyone needs to be using antiperspirant/deodorant; extra deodorant/antiperspirant in the side pocket of garment bag is perfect for necessary extra use; and for even longer band days/competition days, your student is welcome to pack a bag of wet wipes in his/her garment bag for a "dry wash"; this truly helps with hygiene and the band hall/bus ride smells, not to mention "freshness" of the uniforms week to week

****A SPECIAL AND DEFINITELY NOT FORGOTTEN THANK YOU** to our pit crew's John Fenney and Mike Jendral for the new shelving in the uniform room!! It's perfectly awesome!! Also thank you to Brian Kelnar for assisting John with the riser provided to the uniform team during fittings week for ease of bib hemming!! That was a true blessing!! Pit crew is just the best group of people—we appreciate all of you so much!!

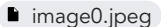
BAND/NOVA FACEBOOK GROUP-uniforms will often share info on the band facebook page; a lot of questions/answers can be found there; you can join @ <https://www.facebook.com/groups/117897103554643>

OUR EMAIL ADDRESS - if you have any questions for the uniform team, please text/call Bridget 281-840-7774 or email us @ cywoodsband.uniforms@gmail.com

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

Dear Band and Nova Families,

We need YOU!

As the school year kicks off so does our Flag Fundraiser! This is one of the largest money-making fundraisers we have. Everyone benefits! But we need our village to make it run smoothly.

Please consider signing up to take a route. Don't worry if you have not done it before. It is easy and only requires a little bit of your time.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4dafac2daaf4c07-labor1?fbclid=IwAR1eC2PotH-Y4JM2tOBJV6TqdVIIAzvZsdrAUKEjt43X3mts6RxZ3HcdlXM#/>

I am so excited we are hosting an event! I hope this is another opportunity to raise funds as well.

Kind regards,

Anna Lewis

cywoodsband.flags@gmail.com

Hospitality

Game Day Meal Program

Starting with today, SUNDAY (8/13), the entries are due weekly by 10pm Sunday night, but you're welcome to order all of them at once (ONCE & DONE) or more than one date at a time and reduce the weekly stress that comes with deadlines!

Here is the link to make your meal selections and pay for your order: <https://www.powr.io/form-builder/i/36006267#page>

We've diligently tried to keep the pricing the same at \$10 per meal, but inflation has crept in a bit and a couple options are now \$11. We do negotiate with our suppliers because we know everyone feels the pinch when paying for all things Band and Nova related. We want to remind everyone that the Game Day Meal Program is optional and is offered as a courtesy to our families. If you elect not to participate on a meal day, please ensure your student has a meal from home or delivered to the band loop parking lot no later than 3:45pm - CLEARLY MARKED WITH THEIR NAME.

Should you have any questions, please reach out! We welcome your feedback!

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