

Concert Band Expectations

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School Rules

Give it your best
Own your behavior
Lead by example
Display your respect

Behavior Expectations

The CMS Band displays **Passion**
Respect
Integrity
Dedication
Effort

Discipline Plan

1. Warning
2. Student will be moved and will continue the lesson in the new location
3. Student will pack up their equipment and will be assigned an alternative music assignment.

Attendance

Performance Opportunities this year:

- In the stands for some CMS football and basketball games
- Winter Concert on Tuesday, December 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the CHS Theatre
- Pre-MPA Concert on Thursday, March 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the CHS Theatre with dress rehearsals on 2/21, 2/23, 2/28, 3/7, and 3/9 from 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. In the CMS Band Room
- Spring Concert on Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in the CHS Theatre
- Solo and Ensemble, various Honor Bands, and Music Performance Assessment

Attendance is required at all rehearsals and performances. Conflicts with rehearsals and performances will be handled on a case-by-case basis outside of class time. Parents/guardians are asked to call or email Mrs. Saunders to discuss absences *no less than two school days ahead of time* – the sooner you communicate, the sooner we can come to an agreeable solution.

Grading Procedures

Students will be graded on the following:

1. Daily participation and preparedness for class, activities, and performances (this includes, but is not limited to, having music, instrument in good working order, pencil, and all necessary accessories)
2. Properly storing equipment
3. Completion of all pass offs, theory assignments, and other activities that may come up throughout the year.

Financial Obligations - All Checks should be made out to CMS and include a Driver's License number.

Each student will need the following:

1. An instrument and appropriate accessories (reeds, oil, mouthpiece, etc.)
2. Two method books - *Sound Innovations* Books 1(Blue from last year) and 2 (Red)
3. Lyre (Mrs. Saunders will provide flip folders but it must have a way to attach to the instrument-clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, and trombone)
4. Performance outfit (see below)
5. Small umbrella or rain coat to leave in school locker – strongly suggested, but not required
6. Pencil
7. Band T-Shirt (\$12)

Performance Outfit Requirements

In School Performances, Pep Band, and Field Trips:

- Band T-Shirt
- Long Blue Jeans (no holes) - Pep rallies and pep band games do not require blue jeans
- Closed toe shoes

Out of School Performances: *Solid Black*

- Must have a sleeve of some kind - professionals suggest at least $\frac{3}{4}$ length)
- Solid Black pants/long skirt - at least mid-calf length when seated
- Solid closed toe black shoes that you can comfortably walk in – no lettering or markings
- Solid Black socks/stockings that cover the ankles and any potentially exposed leg skin (aka Mrs. Saunders shouldn't need sunglasses/get distracted when she looks at you)

Parent Expectations

Please help when/where you can. Our primary needs are fundraising participation (the CMS Band runs almost exclusively on money that we raise) and chaperoning. Most events that the band is a part of could not take place without the assistance of our wonderful parents and guardians (concerts, field trips, etc.). Please make every effort to help whenever possible.

We will have a parent meeting Tuesday, August 16th at 7:30 p.m. in the Corner Middle School Band Room to go over what to expect in band and answer any questions you may have. Please make a concerted effort to have every child represented by an adult.

Communication

There is always something going on in the CMS Band Program, so please stay informed by using the following tools:

1. Check your email
2. Sign up for Remind 101 (text @bandvets to 81010 or email bandvets@mail.remind.com)
3. Check the band website (<https://www.thecornerband.com/middle-school>)

FYI: If you need anything for band, Art's Music Shop will be in the CMS Band Room on Tuesday, August 30th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. You can discuss, rent, and/or purchase all of the required equipment that is necessary for band. This is instrument placement night for the new band members, so if you are concerned they may not have what you need, you can call ahead and they will make sure to bring it.

CMS Band Schedule

2022-2023

Date	Event	Personnel	Time	Location
<i>Thursday, Aug. 11</i>	<i>Back to School Night</i>	<i>All CMS Families</i>	<i>5:00, 6:00</i>	<i>CMS</i>
<i>Tuesday, Aug. 16</i>	<i>CMS Parent Meeting</i>	<i>New Members</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>	<i>CMS Bandroom</i>
<i>Tuesday, Aug. 16</i>	<i>CMS Parent Meeting</i>	<i>Returning Members</i>	<i>7:30 pm</i>	<i>CMS Bandroom</i>
<i>Thursday, Aug. 18</i>	<i>CHS Jamboree</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>?</i>
<i>Friday, Aug. 19</i>	<i>Forms/\$/Ins. Due</i>	<i>All Band Members</i>	<i>3:00 pm</i>	
<i>Tuesday, Aug. 23</i>	<i>Football Pep Band</i>	<i>Concert Band</i>	<i>TBD **</i>	<i>CMS Bandroom</i>
<i>Friday, Aug. 26</i>	<i>CHS Away Game</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>St. Clair County</i>
<i>Monday, Aug. 29</i>	<i>Football Pep Band</i>	<i>Concert Band</i>	<i>TBD **</i>	<i>CMS Bandroom</i>
<i>Tuesday, Aug. 30</i>	<i>Instrument Testing</i>	<i>Beginning Band</i>	<i>4:00-7:00 pm *</i>	<i>CMS Bandroom</i>
<i>Friday, Sept. 2</i>	<i>CHS Away Game</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Hamilton</i>
<i>Friday, Sept. 9</i>	<i>CHS Away Game</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Cordova</i>
<i>Monday, Sept. 12</i>	<i>Instruments in Class</i>	<i>Beginning Band</i>		
<i>Friday, Sept. 16</i>	<i>CHS Home Game</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Vs. Dora</i>
<i>Wednesday, Sept. 21</i>	<i>Bus Notes Due</i>	<i>Concert Band</i>	<i>For MS Night</i>	<i>Saunders</i>
<i>Friday, Sept. 23</i>	<i>CHS Away Game</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Fultondale</i>
<i>Saturday, Sept. 24</i>	<i>CHS Contest</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>All Day</i>	<i>Pinson Valley</i>
<i>Friday, Sept. 30</i>	<i>Middle School Night</i>	<i>Concert Band</i>	<i>3:00 pm</i>	<i>CHS</i>
<i>Saturday, Oct. 1</i>	<i>CHS Contest</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>All Day</i>	<i>TBD</i>
<i>Friday, Oct. 7</i>	<i>CHS Homecoming/ Alumni Band</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Vs. Oak Grove</i>
<i>Thursday, Oct. 13</i>	<i>Jacket Night</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>6:00-8:00 pm</i>	<i>New Temple</i>
<i>Friday, Oct. 14</i>	<i>CHS Away Game</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Curry</i>
<i>Saturday, Oct. 15</i>	<i>CHS Contest</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>All Day</i>	<i>TBD</i>
<i>Tuesday, Oct. 18</i>	<i>All County Auditions?</i>	<i>Interested Students</i>	<i>3:00 pm</i>	<i>Minor High School?</i>
<i>Friday, Oct. 21</i>	<i>CHS Home Game</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>	<i>Vs. Haleyville</i>
<i>Thursday, Oct. 27</i>	<i>CHS Sr. Night</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>	<i>Vs. Hayden</i>
<i>11/1, 3, 7, 8, 15, 17, 29</i>	<i>Basketball Pep Band</i>	<i>Concert Band</i>	<i>TBD ***</i>	
<i>11/3-11/5</i>	<i>All County Festival?</i>	<i>Selected Students</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>Gardendale High?</i>
<i>Thursday, Dec. 1</i>	<i>G'dale Xmas Parade</i>	<i>Marching Band</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>	
<i>Tuesday, Dec. 6</i>	<i>CMS Winter Concert</i>	<i>CMS Band Students</i>	<i>7:00 p.m. ****</i>	<i>CHS Theatre</i>
<i>12/8, 12, 15</i>	<i>Basketball Pep Band</i>	<i>Concert Band</i>	<i>TBD ***</i>	
<i>Tuesday, Dec. 13</i>	<i>CHS Winter Concert</i>	<i>Interested Students</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>	<i>CHS Theatre</i>
<i>Friday, Dec. 16</i>	<i>All State Audition Sign Up Deadline</i>	<i>Interested Students</i>		<i>Saunders</i>

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CMS Band Schedule (Continued)

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Date	Event	Personnel	Time	Location
Saturday, Jan. 28	All State Auditions	Interested Students	8-2	Hoover High
Wednesday, Feb. 1	District Honor Band Registration	Selected Students		
Tuesday, Feb. 21	MPA Rehearsal	Concert Band	3:00-4:30	CMS Bandroom
Thursday, Feb. 23	MPA Rehearsal	Concert Band	3:00-4:30	CMS Bandroom
Friday, Feb. 24	ASO \$/Forms Due	All CMS Band Students		Saunders
Friday, Feb. 24	District Honor Band	Selected Students	TBD	TBD
Saturday, Feb. 25	District Honor Band	Selected Students	TBD	TBD
Tuesday, Feb. 28	MPA Rehearsal	Concert Band	3:00-4:30	CMS Bandroom
Thursday, March 2	Pre-MPA Concert	Concert Band	7:00 p.m. ****	CHS Theatre
Friday, March 3	ASO Field Trip	All CMS Band Students	9:00-3:00	UAB
Tuesday, March 7	MPA Rehearsal	Concert Band	3:00-4:30	CMS Bandroom
Wed., March 8	MPA Forms/\$ Due	Concert Band		Saunders
Thursday, March 9	MPA Rehearsal	Concert Band	3:00-4:30	CMS Bandroom
March 14-16	Possible MPA Dates	Concert Band	TBD	Vestavia Hills High
Friday, March 17	Solo and Ensemble Money Due	Interested Students		Saunders
March 21-23	Possible MPA Dates	Concert Band	TBD	Thompson High
Tuesday, April 18	Solo and Ensemble	Interested Students	After School	Thompson Middle
April 26-29	All State Band	Selected Students	TBD	Huntsville, AL
Tuesday, May 2	Spring Concert	All Band Students	7:00 p.m. ****	TBD
Thursday, May 4	CHS Jazz & BBQ	Interested Students		In Front of CHS
Tuesday, May 16	Last Day w/Instrument	All Band Students		CMS Bandroom
Tuesday, May 16	CHS Parent Meeting	Marching Band Families	7:00	CHS Theatre
Thursday, May 18	CHS Percussion Placements	Marching Band Percussionists	3:30-5:00	CHS Band Room

* Art's Music Shop will be set up in the band room for you to buy, rent, or ask any questions you may have about instruments and band materials. *Please bring a check if you plan to rent an instrument.*

** Football Pep Band events will take place right after school. We will meet in the barn and walk to the Bandroom together. Dinner will be provided for \$3 a person. Students may be picked up at the CMS Bandroom after the game.

*** Basketball Pep Band event timings will be determined once a final basketball schedule has been established. Mrs. Saunders will let you know if students can stay after school and/or if dinner will be provided at \$3 a person. All students can be picked up at the CMS Bandroom after we finish.

**** There will be a call time (a time that students are to be in their places, ready to go) that will be decided closer to the concert. The call time will most likely be around 6:00.

Parent/Student Contract

Please sign and return this form to Mrs. Saunders by Friday, August 19th.

As a CMS Band student, I understand and agree to the expectations listed above. I will communicate with Mrs. Saunders about conflicts ahead of time and do my best every day. I will be on time and prepared for all rehearsals, performances, and activities with the Corner Middle School Band Program.

Student Signature

Date

As the parent/guardian of a CMS Band student, I understand and agree to the expectations listed above. I agree to make sure my student is on time to all rehearsals, performances, and activities with the Corner Middle School Band Program. I agree to encourage my student in his/her musical endeavors and provide him/her with the necessary equipment, accessories, and clothing to be successful.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

May I post pictures of your student online? Yes No

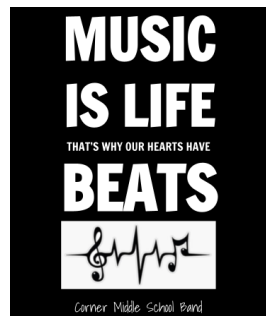
Please list any dietary restrictions or food allergies that your student has _____

T-Shirt Design

Front:



Back:



Please turn in these forms along with your \$12 per band t-shirt and a copy of your insurance card (front and back) so I can have it on hand in case anything happens to your student(s) when we are away from school.