

BAND IN A NUTSHELL

Fees: \$225 for students enrolled in Marching Band. Those students enrolled in both semesters get \$25 Uniform fee rolled over. Checks made payable to CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL. MORE INFO IN HANDBOOK

Additional Purchases: All Woodwind, Brass, and Percussion students purchase BLACK Dinkle or Drillmaster Band Shoes available from Lunsford's and Rush's. In addition they must also purchase BLACK marching band gloves. Usually it is good to have 2 pair in case the others are misplaced. All woodwinds and brass will need lyres and flip folders for their instruments.

Attendance: A Calendar of events is posted on the CHARMS WEBSITE. Required events are marked. Student grades are determined partially by attendance practices. Please read the grading policy portion of the handbook carefully.

Football Games/Competitions: All students are required to attend. STUDENTS MUST RIDE with the band to events, but can be released to a parent for the trip home. Simply write a note to the band director then sign off with them before leaving.

What do we need back? In addition to any fees, the football permission form, fee agreement form, and medical released need to be returned to Mr. Jackson NO LATER than the first week of August.

Rehearsal Guidelines: While we encourage parental involvement, we generally discourage parents from observing our indoor sectional rehearsals that generally occur during band camp. Parents are more than welcome to attend outside band camp rehearsals and see how the show is progressing. We do ask that parents DO NOT interact with students at these rehearsals. Our time together is very limited and we need to maximize our time with the students. With so many distractions, it is often hard for students to concentrate on the task at hand.

FUNDRAISING: Please pay special attention to the POINT SYSTEM handout provided by the Bobcat Band Boosters.

BASIC Calendar of Events for the Central Band Program

OPERATING A BAND PROGRAM ON THIS LEVEL TAKES DEDICATION FROM THE STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES. WE CAN ONLY REACH OUR GOALS IF EACH STUDENT IS WILLING TO MAKE THE COMMITMENT TO THE BAND. ABSENCES ARE THE #1 DOWNFALL OF ANY GROUP RELATED ACTIVITY.

Typical Calendar for Rest of Year

JULY	Band Camp, Guard Camp, Percussion Camp
AUG	Band Camp, Rehearsals, Football Games
SEPT	Football Games, Contests
OCT	Football Games, Contests, Symphonic Concert/Halloween
NOV	Junior Clinic Auditions, All East Jazz Auditions
DEC	Junior Clinic, Central Winter Concert, Winterguard Camp
JAN	Winterguard/Winter Drumline Camp, All East Auditions
FEB	Solo & Ensemble Competitions, Winterguard Contests Possible Jazz/Percussion Concert
MAR	Central Weekend with Masters Clinic ETSBOA Concert Festival Performance Winterguard Contests
APR	All State Band Honors Band Central Spring Concert Jazz Concert State Concert Festival
MAY	Competition / Clinic Trip Central Pops/Dinner Concert Graduation Performance