July 2024

Dear NKHS Band Member:

Welcome to the 2024-25 NKHS Band!

We are all excited to have you be part of Band this year.

As a member of the NKHS Band Program you are a vital member of our community.

This letter describes fundamentals about our program and directs you where to find more information.

During the school day, students are enrolled in Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble. All band classes will meet five days per week. We all join forces to play at home football games, basketball games, school assemblies, community activities, and parades. The Combined Band has required rehearsals every Monday and Wednesday evening from 4pm-6pm through the end of October.

Here is our <u>2024-2025 NK Band Performance Schedule</u>.

Please bookmark this link. It will be updated throughout the year. This calendar is also posted on the NKHS Band's website at www.nkhsband.org

If there are schedule conflicts, talk to me and we will work it out.

Band camp is a chance for us to kick-start Band for the year. You will learn everything you need to know to begin performing the first week of school. We will play music, do some marching and most importantly, get to know each other and how to work together as a team.

Band Camp is August 13th - 17th 9:00am-3:00pm each day. Following band camp, the combined band will rehearse Mondays and Wednesdays each week from 4pm-6pm.

More details on Band Camp are below.

Please complete this survey to help in planning for the year: Band Info Form

Please complete this <u>Band Activity Fee</u> form and payment. The North Kitsap School District supports the band program for activities occurring during the school day. However, it is insufficient to cover full program costs. The NKHS Band Boosters pay for all other costs associated with NKHS Band activities outside of the classroom and many other expenses. The activity fee assists with covering those costs.

I am looking forward to working with you through the year, and excited about the music we will be making and sharing with the community. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Band Camp is coming up!

August 13^h-16th 9:00am-3:00pm each day, with show and BBQ on Saturday 8/17 at Noon We would like all students to attend.

In addition to learning marching fundamentals and techniques that we will use at parades, games and other events, we will be focusing on learning music to prepare for performances during the first weeks of school.

On our first day, Tuesday 8/13, we would like to have any new to the program students meet from 9:00-10:00 for introductions and orientations.

Students will be fitted for uniforms during camp.

Monday 8/12	Tuesday 8/13	Wednesday 8/14	Thursday 8/15	Friday 8/16	Saturday 8/17
Band Leadership 9:00-12:00	New students and Leadership 9:00-10:00	All Students 9:00-3:00	All Students 9:00-3:00	All Students 9:00-3:00	All Students 9:00-12:30
	All Students 10:00-3:00				Band Families Performance and potluck 12:00-?

What to Bring & What to Wear for Band Camp -

- Instrument & music (we will provide music for new students).
- Flip folder and music lyre for instrument (available at Ted Browns in Silverdale)
- Sack lunch and snacks
- Tennis Shoes (not new): should have laces and flexible soles... no boots or VANS
- Athletic pants/shorts (no jeans or skirts or baggy pants)
- Comfortable T-Shirts (guys must wear shirts, girls must wear 2-inch straps on tops, no bare midriff)
- Sunscreen, water bottle
- Sunglasses and hats are strongly advised... sometimes we face into the sun for rehearsal.
- Jacket in case of rain
- Plan to be outside on the field.

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NKHS Band Boosters Grace Notes

Hello NKHS Band Family,

Welcome to the upcoming 2024-2025 school year! I'd like to welcome the incoming Freshman families to NKHS Band and look forward to meeting you this year. We trust the upcoming year will be the beginning of many years of music and friends. And to our senior families - we're thankful to be part of what we sure will be a memorable year!

The NKHS Band Boosters is planning a year of support for our students and the NKHS Music Program. It is our intention to periodically provide emails to the Band Family, with upcoming dates for your calendar, volunteer opportunities and fundraising activities. Also, we post information, photos, and videos of our students in action to the NKHS Band Family Facebook page – please find and join us at this private group if you haven't already - please make sure you answer the two questions to join. We also maintain a public Facebook group which anyone can join: https://www.facebook.com/pages/North-Kitsap-High-School-Band/166042753425600

Although we are just beginning to enjoy summer, we are looking ahead. Band Camp is the first event coming up and the schedule is outlined above. The Band Family BBQ Potluck Lunch and Performance will conclude this great week for our students on Saturday, August 17th @Noon. Please plan to attend this potluck and bring a favorite side or dessert, and Band Boosters will provide the BBQ and fixings.

We need a number of volunteers for the BBQ - if you're interested in helping with the BBQ please sign up on our CheddarUp page: https://booster-club-73778.cheddarup.com

Husky Band Day is an exciting and popular event for NKHS Band, where they will join the University of Washington Marching Band at a Saturday Football Game and play on the field with dozens of other high school bands and the UW Marching Band during half-time. This year's game is Saturday, September 7th - UW vs. Eastern Michigan (game time tbd). The UW Athletics Tickets is offering special discounted tickets price of \$23 to cheer on the NKHS Band and the Huskies. And, they will donate \$5 of every ticket sales back to NKHS Band Boosters as a special fundraiser. This is a win-win! Please invite and share this link for the special ticket price:

https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/football-vs-eastern-michigan-asrv6ea-08d3fe5

Fall NKHS Football: Band Boosters will sell concessions at Friday Night Lights and it is a significant fundraiser for us. Please support Band Boosters by visiting during football games. Also – we can use your help! We need volunteers to sell pre-packaged snacks and candy, soft drinks, coffee, hot water for instant soup, and hot chocolate. Sign ups for Fall Football concessions are available at: https://booster-club-73778.cheddarup.com

2024 Home Football Games: 9/6 vs. WF West; 9/13 vs. Lynden Christian; 10/4 vs. Port Angeles; 10/11 vs. Sequim; 11/1 vs. Bremerton

For more information on the NKHS Band Boosters, please visit our website w/calendar: www.nkhsband.org or feel free to email us at: nkhsbandboosters@gmail.com.

We look forward to a great year together!

Warm Regards on behalf of the Band Boosters Board,

Karla Boughton NKHS Band Booster President