Mt. Lebanon Blue Devil Marching Band Weekly Newsletter



February 11, 2024

Dear Band Families,

Please see below for a number of upcoming meetings, deadlines, and fundraisers.

As always, times and locations may change, so please check the BAND app for the latest schedule, report times, and important announcements.

SAVE THE DATE \sim MT. LEBANON BAND BUILDERS \sim SPAGHETTI DINNER FRIDAY, MAY 10

Mt. Lebanon High School Cafeteria

(additional details coming soon)

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SCHEDULE for this WEEK

MONDAY, February 12

- 3:15pm 5:15pm WIND ENSEMBLE (sectionals/ensemble rehearsal)
- PEP BAND Boy's basketball game against Moon Area
 6:45pm report to Band Room

TUESDAY, February 13

• 7:15am - 8am - JAZZ ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, February 15

• 7:15am - 8am - JAZZ ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Sarris Candy Orders Due Friday, February 16
- MLBB All-Hands Meeting Monday, March 11
- Winter Guard's Designer Purse Bingo Sunday, February 18
- Spirit Night at Totopo Monday, February 19
- MLBB Spaghetti Dinner Friday, May 10

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE; REFER TO THE BAND APP FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE CALENDAR INFORMATION

REMINDERS

MLBB All-Hands Meeting - Monday, March 11

All parents / guardians are encouraged to attend our first all-hands meeting of 2024. During this meeting, we will select the nominating committee for 2024 - 2025 MLBB officers. We plan to meet at the high school (exact room to be confirmed in next newsletter) from 7 - 8:30pm.

2024 - 2025 Audition Information - Applications due by April 5

Reminder: Do you wish to be considered for a student leadership position and / or Wind Ensemble? If so, remember that applications are due by April 5. Please see the links below for additional details:

- Drum Major
- Unit Caption/Section Leader
- Wind Ensemble

If you have any questions about the process or your application, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Cheskawich. Best of luck!

MLBB Spaghetti Dinner - Mark your calendar for Friday, May 10

It's been a few years since MLBB has hosted a Spaghetti Dinner, so we're very excited to announce our 2024 event. We invite all families, friends, and members of the community to join us in the High School Cafeteria on Friday evening, May 10, 2024. Additional details will be coming soon!

We are starting to identify committees and will post a sign-up in the Band App. In the meantime, if you have experience in hospitality, food services or just love to cook, please reach out to Cathy Neergaard (cathy.neergaard@gmail.com) to learn how you can get involved.

Band Camp 2024 - Save the dates

Week 1: Monday, July 29 - Friday, August 2 Week 2: Monday, August 5 - Friday, August 9

MLBB Board Positions - Please consider signing up

As we begin planning next season, it is imperative that we fill these important roles now before nominating for roles that will be vacant next year. Please consider joining the MLBB Board in the following positions: Co-Treasurer, Membership, Fundraising, Wind Musician Representative. For more information on each role, please contact GGStrom717@gmail.com.

FUNDRAISERS

MLBB's Spring Sarris Candy Fundraiser - Easter forms due Friday, February 16

It's time to place your spring candy order! There are two ways to order:

- 1. Easter Forms There are Sarris forms in the band room for students to pick up. Forms must be returned by **Friday, February 16** to Katie Shaw's house (96 Woodhaven Drive). There will be a box for forms on Katie's porch. The candy will be delivered to Katie's house by March 19 and she will contact you to arrange pick up. Please note: The paper forms are only for Easter-specific items.
- 2. Online Go to https://www.sarriscandiesfundraising.com/VIEWBYCATEGORY.aspx?id=VA and click on **SHOP NOW**. A window will pop up asking for your name and Group ID.

The Band's ID number is 10-0091.

You will be able to shop all Sarris products including the Holiday-specific items. Shipping is a flat \$5 and will be shipped directly to you (or you can pick it up at the factory store in Cannonsburg). You can order online until March 22.

If you have any questions, please contact Katie Shaw at ktshaw74@gmail.com

Winter Guard's Designer Purse Bingo - Sunday, February 18

Join us for our annual <u>Designer Purse Bingo</u> hosted by the Mt Lebanon Winter Guard! This event takes place at the Library Volunteer Fire Department on Sunday, February 18. Doors open at 1pm and the first game begins at 2pm. Tickets are \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door. Purchase Tickets here: <u>LINK</u>

MLBB's Spirit Night at Totopo - Monday, February 19

Back by popular demand - join us for Spirit Night at Totopo to benefit the Mt. Lebanon Marching Band. The band receives a portion of sales from all tables that present physical flyer (preferred) or digital copy for the event.

Online orders count too - please bring a copy of the printed flyer to simplify tracking. Get a copy of the flyer in the Band App!

USEFUL LINKS

Useful Links

- BAND app the latest schedule, updates, and important announcements
- Web site (http://www.leboband.com) forms and information that does not change frequently.

