

Mt. Lebanon Blue Devil Marching Band Weekly Newsletter



August 20, 2023

Dear Band Families,

This is a big week for the band! We are excited to help kick off the year at the district convocation ceremony. During rehearsals we will prepare for our first home game of the season while working towards finishing our competitive show.

Remember to check the BAND app for the latest schedule, report times, and important announcements. Interested in receiving future copies of this newsletter via email? [Sign up today!](#)

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SCHEDULE for the WEEK (and next)

MONDAY, August 21

- 1pm - 2:30pm BLUE BAND (REPORT TO BAND ROOM)
- 2:30pm - 4pm GOLD BAND (REHEARSAL AT STADIUM)

TUESDAY, August 22

- 7:45am - 9:30am BLUE BAND CONVOCATION PERFORMANCE (REPORT TO BAND ROOM IN FULL UNIFORM)
- 6pm - 9pm GOLD BAND REHEARSAL (INSIDE / UPPER PRACTICE FIELD)
- 7:30pm - 9pm MLBB GENERAL MEETING IN FINE ARTS THEATER

THURSDAY, August 24

- 3pm - 4pm BLUE BAND (REHEARSAL AT STADIUM)
- 4pm - 6pm GOLD BAND (REHEARSAL AT STADIUM)

FRIDAY, August 25 - Home Game vs. Gateway

- 5:30pm REPORT IN FULL UNIFORM

SATURDAY, August 26 HOAGIE PICK-UP

- 10am - Noon HOAGIE PICK-UP

WEDNESDAY, August 30

- 6pm - 9pm BLUE BAND REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, August 31

- 6pm - 9pm BLUE BAND REHEARSAL

FRIDAY, September 1 - Away Game vs. Bethel Park

- Logistics to be announced via BAND

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

REMINDERS

MLBB General Meeting - Tuesday, August 22 (7:30pm - 9pm)

All Band families are invited to join us for the General Meeting on Tuesday in the Fine Arts Theater. We plan to share important updates, including details on the PIMBA Competition, open committee chair / volunteer roles, BOA trip, and more. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with other parents and learn how we can help our students have an amazing band experience this year!

Yard Signs

If you ordered a yard sign, you can pick it up at the General Meeting on Tuesday.

Uniforms, Duffle Bags, and Accessories

The remaining duffle bags are on order. If you are waiting on any other part of your accessories order, need to order accessories, or request uniform adjustments, please reach out to GG Strom at ggstrom717@gmail.com.

If you need to pick up a hat, a new sized bib / jacket, or return any uniform pieces, stop by the band room between noon - 1pm on Monday. If you have questions, please contact Kelly Latona at kellylatona@verizon.net.

Show Shirts

Watch the Band app for details on show shirt distribution this week.

2023 Band Pictures – Now available!

Remember to visit <https://my.photoday.com/g/MTLMB23> to find your photos and order online. Additional details can be found in the BAND app (see post dated August 7). Free shipping is available for orders over \$55 - use the code LEBOSHIP at checkout.

Chaperoning and Volunteering

If you are interested in chaperoning or volunteering, be sure to complete your clearances.

- [Chaperone / Volunteer Clearance Instructions](#)
- [Chaperone Information](#)
- [Chaperone Sign-up Form](#)

Student Pick-up from Away Games and Performances

If you would like to request that your student be excused from riding the bus transportation back to school following a band function, secure permission from a band director and return this [Request Form](#).

Student Ad in the PIMBA Competition Program

Support your favorite band member by purchasing a student ad in the program! Click [HERE](#) for additional information and to purchase an ad. If you have questions, please contact Anita at asrikam@aol.com.

COMMITTEES

Committee Sign-Up – We need you!

There are still some open Committee Sign-Up slots. Help us make this another great year for the kids by volunteering for one of the open positions. See the sign-up [Committee Sign-Up Form](#) for details.

Calling all new Band Parents - we are looking for a new parent with accounting and data entry experience to shadow our Treasurer with the goal of filling this role next year as Co-Treasurer. Reach out to Erin Drozda.

FUNDRAISERS

Fundraising Calendar

Check out the [2023 - 2024 Fundraising Calendar](#) on our website.

Community Letter Campaign

We will soon kick off the Community Letter Campaign fundraiser. This fundraiser allows friends, family, and community members to make contributions to support the band program. Details will be available on the [Fundraising page](#) of the website.

Current Fundraisers

All fundraising proceeds go towards lowering our final cost for the band trip. Check out the BAND app for details about our fundraisers, including:

- [Band and Guard Merchandise](#) – runs through August 24
- [Fall Mums Sale](#) – runs through September 22
- [Yard signs](#) – no deadline

REMINDER: Giant Eagle Gift Cards

Want to earn money towards your marching band trip? Earn 5% back by purchasing Giant Eagle gift cards! In order to place an order we need to place an order for a combined total of \$5,000. Click on the link below to place an order!

Link: <https://forms.gle/i6qGqsexxETyyqGNA>

USEFUL LINKS

Useful Links

Where to go for information:

- Primary communication channel for parents / students (updated frequently - check daily)
 - [BAND app](#) - the latest schedule, updates, and important announcements
- Web site
 - <http://www.leboband.com> - forms and information that does not change frequently
- Schoology - primarily intended for students to find assignments, schedules, music, and other resources
 - Code for the Marching Band group is provided to students
- Instagram:
 - [mtlband](#) - Mt. Lebanon Blue Devil Marching Band
 - [mtlperc](#) - Mt. Lebanon percussion
 - [leboguard](#) - Mt. Lebanon High School Winter Guards and Fall Color Guard Program
- Facebook:
 - [Mt. Lebanon Blue Devil Marching Band](#)
 - [Mt. Lebanon Percussion](#)
 - [Lebo Guard](#)

