

Mt. Lebanon Blue Devil Marching Band Weekly Newsletter



September 10, 2023

Dear Band Families,

We hope you enjoyed this week's performances by the Blue and Gold Bands. Our students were especially excited to perform their new stand jams! It was also great to have the 7th and 8th grade band students join us in the stands. We look forward to seeing you at our next home game on Friday.

Be aware that times and locations may change, so please 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 this WEEK

MONDAY, September 11

- 6pm - 9pm GOLD BAND REHEARSAL (STADIUM)

WEDNESDAY, September 13

- 6pm - 9pm GOLD BAND REHEARSAL (UPPER PRACTICE FIELD)

THURSDAY, September 14

- 6pm - 7pm BLUE BAND REHEARSAL (UPPER PRACTICE FIELD)
- 7pm - 9pm GOLD BAND REHEARSAL (UPPER PRACTICE FIELD)

FRIDAY, September 8 - Home Game vs. Central Catholic

- 5:30pm REPORT TIME (see band app for locations)

Top priorities this week

- Student ad in PIMBA Program (**past due**)
- Final BOA payment (**past due**)
- Annual Band Membership Fee (**due September 15**)

As we head into the middle of September and into the heart of our season, please take a moment to review our [Attendance Policy](#). Maximum attendance is crucial in order for us to perform at our best.

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

REMINDERS

Student Ad in the PIMBA Competition Program - Past due

Don't miss the chance to support your favorite band member by purchasing a student ad in the program! Click [HERE](#) for additional information. If you have questions, please contact Anita at asrikam@aol.com.

BOA Final Trip Payment - Past due

MLBB was able to decrease each student's fee by \$100.00 due to past and expected fundraising efforts. The final balance due for the BOA Ohio Trip is \$300. Final payments are due by Friday, September 8, 2023. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to Erin Drozda at lebobandtreasurer@gmail.com.

To pay the final balance:

Zelle: Mount Lebanon Band Builders

Debit / Credit Card (3% fee included):

<https://secure.affinipay.com/pages/mount-lebanon-band-builders/finaltrippayment>

Check made payable to: Mount Lebanon Band Builders

Mail check to: MLBB, PO Box 10476, Pittsburgh PA 15234

or drop off at Erin Drozda's house: 160 Seminole Drive Pittsburgh, PA 15228 (Mail slot in garage door)

If you have not paid the initial \$200.00 yet, please submit the entire balance by September 8:

If you are using a Debit/CC please split it into two transactions (includes 3% fee):

- \$206 <https://secure.affinipay.com/pages/mount-lebanon-band-builders/tripdeposit>
- \$309 <https://secure.affinipay.com/pages/mount-lebanon-band-builders/finaltrippayment>

All other payment types can be combined and submitted using the details above.

Annual Band Membership Fee - Due September 15

Please remember to pay the [annual band membership fee](#). Multiple payment options are available.

PIMBA Competition - Volunteers still needed

We need all hands on deck for the PIMBA Competition on October 21. This is an exciting and important event for the band, and we cannot achieve our goals without help from each family. If you haven't already secured your spot, please visit the [sign-up form](#) and join us!

Carpool Cluster Sign-up

To help parents navigate practices and post-game pick-ups, we are happy to set up Carpool Clusters based on your closest elementary school. If you are interested in joining a cluster, please complete [this 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 the band director and return this [Request Form](#).

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](#)

2023 Band Pictures - Remember to Order

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.

COMMITTEES

Committee Sign-Up – We need you!

There are still some open Committee Sign-Up slots. Help us make this another great year for our students 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 are in full fundraising mode as we get ready to host our first PIMBA competition! Please take a moment to print out and have your student sign the new [letter from Mr. Cheskawich](#). This campaign typically brings in a significant portion of our fundraising needs. Visit the [Fundraising page](#) of the website where you'll also find a [downloadable, editable letter](#) and a [PDF letter and instructions](#).

Spirit Night at Totopo

Mark your calendar to have dinner at Totopo on Monday, September 25. The band receives a portion of sales from all tables that present physical (preferred) or digital flyers for the event. Watch the Band app for details.

Current Fundraisers

Check out the BAND app for details about our current fundraisers, including:

- [Fall Mums Sale](#) – runs through September 22
- **NEW** [The Pie Shoppe](#) - runs through September 26 (pick-up October 10)
- [Yard signs](#) – no deadline

Music Advocacy

Stop by our new Music Advocacy tent by the Band Stands this Friday. See how we *#BandTogether!* for student and community enrichment.

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

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

