



All Members –

- Pass Offs – I have posted Spring Semester assignment sheets to our band website. This includes all assignments with the due dates and descriptions. They are located on the “Student Resources” page.
 - <http://www.RuckelBand.com/student-resources> (password: ruckelband)
 - Tradition of Excellence Books – The books have been coming in for us to get switched over. We are just waiting on a few more. As a reminder from our initial meeting, I will NOT require any families to buy a new book, as you’ve already spent money on some. We are supplying the Tradition of Excellence books to students, and only ask that they return them when done.
 - Seesaw App – I have the class set up where videos can only be seen by ME. Students cannot see each other’s videos. The first assignment is just to log in and send an intro video so students know how to use the app. The info is also linked on the “Student Resources” page, linked above. Typically, I can give them feedback by the next class.
 - After-School Pass-offs This Week – This week, I can stay after school for pass-off class on Monday and Tuesday from 2:30-3:30. Students need a ride home right at 3:30.
 - FSU Summer Music Camps [FSU SMC] – Registration is open, and spots fill up quickly!
 - This camp is phenomenal and provides an opportunity for students to spend the week on a college campus, learning from some of the best in the business. [Click here for information on their website!](#)
 - 6th/7th graders, click on “Middle School Band Camp” (June 30-July 6).
 - 8th graders can choose between Middle School Band Camp or either of the High School Band Camp sessions.



5th Grade Band (5GB) –

- Rehearsals This Week – We have Woodwinds on Monday and Brass on Wednesday! This Friday we can still have a morning rehearsal, but students will need to be picked up between 7:50 and 8:00AM. At 8:00 Friday, the Okaloosa All-County Honor Band members will be heading to rehearsal at Meigs MS.
- Bus Driver Search – We are so thankful that Coach Daniels can drive for us on Mondays and Wednesdays while we search for a more permanent driver. My husband, Mr. Tenoré (one of the NHS band directors), is beginning the process to obtain his CDL and help us. We had some people reach out and are looking at our options with the district.
- Friday Rehearsals – Until we find a permanent driver, we will not have a bus on Friday mornings. I will still open the band room to any students who would like to come in for pass-offs or extra help. The only caveat will be that the students need their own ride to elementary school afterward, between 7:50 and 8:00AM.



Beginning Band (BB) –

- No announcements – X

Intermediate Band (IB) –

- No announcements – X

Advanced Band (AB) –

- Drumline Needed for Pep Rally – On Thursday, we would like to use the full drumline for the pep rally. Please read below for the full information.





This Week in Band

Week of 1/22/2024

Honor Band (HB) –

- All County Honor Band – This week is the big All-County week! We have rehearsal Tuesday and Thursday night, and then on Friday from 8:30-3:30. Our concert is on Saturday at Mattie Kelly Performing Arts Center. I am waiting on a response from a possible driver for Friday, 1/26 on the all-day rehearsal. I will keep you in the loop. [All County Information](#)
 - Friday Golden Corral Lunch – On Friday, we will be eating lunch at Golden Corral. Student cost is \$11 each, due by Thursday. We will be leaving Meigs at 11AM and plan to return by 12:30PM.
 - Uniforms – Mrs. Bliss will be bringing uniform jackets to Mattie Kelly on Saturday between 12:00 and 12:30 PM. Students should arrive at Mattie Kelly in the band shirt, bibbers, long black socks, and band shoes.
- Pep Rally This Week (1/25) – On Thursday, there will be a behavior assembly and a pep rally for winter sports. I'll keep you updated in class with more specific details. Find your flip folder/lyre if you've lost it! With this pep rally coming up so quickly, we will only use Honor Band and the full drumline. Next pep rally, we will include ALL of football band again.



Calendar –



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
21	22 Pass-offs 2:30-3:30 5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	23 Pass-offs 2:30-3:30 JB: Reh 7-7:40 All-County Band: Rehearsal 5:30-8PM @ Meigs MS	24 5GB: Brass 7-7:45	25 Pep Rally / Behavior Assembly JB: Reh 7-7:40 All-County Band: Rehearsal 5:30-8PM @ Meigs MS	26 All-County Band: ALL-DAY Rehearsal 8:30AM-3:30PM @ Meigs MS	27 All-County Band: Rehearsal 12:30PM Concert: 2PM @ Mattie Kelly
28	29 5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	30 JB: Reh 7-7:40	31 5GB: Brass 7-7:45	01 JB: Reh 7-7:40	02 5GB: All 7-7:45 (Need a ride to school afterward)	03
04	05 5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	06 JB: Reh 7-7:40	07 5GB: Brass 7-7:45	08 JB: Reh 7-7:40	09 5GB: All 7-7:45 (Need a ride to school afterward)	10
11	12 5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	13 JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 1 2:30-4:15	14 5GB: Brass 7-7:45 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 1 2:30-4:15	15 JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 1 2:30-4:15	16 5GB: All 7-7:45 (Need a ride to school afterward) EP: Jazz MPA @Pensacola State College	17
18	19 Presidents' Day NO SCHOOL	20 JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 2 2:30-4:15	21 5GB: Brass 7-7:45 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 2 2:30-4:15	22 JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 2 2:30-4:15	23 5GB: All 7-7:45 (Need a ride to school afterward)	24
25	26 5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	27 JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 3 2:30-4:15	28 5GB: Brass 7-7:45 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 3 2:30-4:15	29 JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 3 2:30-4:15		