



All Members –

- Pass Offs – I have posted Spring Semester assignment sheets to the website (with due dates and descriptions).
 - <http://www.RuckelBand.com/student-resources> (password: ruckelband)
 - After-School Pass-offs This Week – This week, I can stay after school for pass-off class on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 2:30-3:00. Students need a ride home at 3:00 PM.
- FSU Summer Music Camps [FSU SMC] – Registration is open, and spots fill up quickly! Some instruments are already on waiting lists. Secure your spot soon if you haven't already! So far, we have 17 Ruckel Band students signed up!
- Potential Future Band Members – If you know a student that isn't in band and you think SHOULD be, send them the link to our website "Join Band!" page. www.RuckelBand.com/join-band



5th Grade Band (5GB) –

- Seesaw Shout Out! – Our most active posters this week were Nina A, Alex D, Graham G, Elisha M, Benson P, Jackson P, Coraline S, Matthew S, and Theodore Y! I've been able to comment and either pass them off or give them tips to practice! 😊
- 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 8:00 AM.
- Bus Driver Search – Our most recent driver update is that those who offered to drive have been given instructions by transportation on their next steps to clearance. Coach Daniels can keep driving M/W in the meantime!
 - Friday Rehearsals – Until we find a permanent driver, we will not have a bus on Friday mornings. I am opening the band room to any students who would like to come in for Friday rehearsals. Students just need their own ride to elementary school afterward, between 7:50 and 8:00 AM.



Beginning Band (BB) –

- Due This Week – This Friday, the pass-off for *Line 54: Rio Con Brio* is due. Students should be passed off at least to this line in the book. On Friday, I will change any missing grades (NG) to Z in the gradebook. Once a student turns in his/her missing pass-off, I will change the Z to 100%.
- Solo and Ensemble – Saturday, April 13th; S&E is designed to foster interest in music by providing a short-range performance goal and constructive critique. The students who participate will prepare music to perform at the event, which will be evaluated by certified adjudicators and assigned a rating. Sign up by Friday, February 23rd.



Intermediate Band (IB) –

- Due This Week – This Friday, the pass-off for *Line 82: Orpheus in the Underworld* is due. Students should be passed off at least to this line in the book. On Friday, I will change any missing grades (NG) to Z in the gradebook. Once a student turns in his/her missing pass-off, I will change the Z to 100%.
- Solo and Ensemble – Saturday, April 13th; S&E is designed to foster interest in music by providing a short-range performance goal and constructive critique. The students who participate will prepare music to perform at the event, which will be evaluated by certified adjudicators and assigned a rating. Sign up by Friday, February 23rd.





Advanced Band (AB) –

- Due This Week – This Friday, the pass-off for *Discovery Overture* is due. On Friday, I will change any missing grades (NG) to Z in the gradebook. Once a student turns in his/her missing pass-off, I will change the Z to 100%.
 - Music Performance Assessment – Tuesday, March 12th; MPA is an annual assessment for school music programs. This is our FAST testing equivalent. Admission is free and parents are encouraged to come listen as they are evaluated by state-certified adjudicators. This performance is for Advanced Band and Honor Band and is required.
 - Solo and Ensemble – Saturday, April 13th; S&E is designed to foster interest in music by providing a short-range performance goal and constructive critique. The students who participate will prepare music to perform at the event, which will be evaluated by certified adjudicators and assigned a rating. Sign up by Friday, February 23rd.
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Honor Band (HB) –

- Due This Week – This Friday, the pass-off for *Three Czech Folk Songs* is due. On Friday, I will change any missing grades (NG) to a Z in the gradebook. Once a student turns in his/her missing pass-off, I will change the Z to 100%.
 - Ram Rally – Night performance on March 5th for incoming 5th graders. We have been asked to perform the National Anthem, along with our MPA music and some football cheers! I am waiting for an exact schedule. This is an important event for showcasing our band to incoming students. It will also give us a great run-through opportunity before our MPA performance!
 - Chorus MPA – We are waiting to see the exact date of chorus MPA. If this ends up conflicting, chorus students will be excused from the Ram Rally performance!
 - Music Performance Assessment – Wednesday, March 13th; MPA is an annual assessment for school music programs. This is our FAST testing equivalent. Admission is free and parents are encouraged to come listen as they are evaluated by state-certified adjudicators. This performance is for Advanced Band and Honor Band and is required. The dates/times have been assigned.
 - Sectionals – Honor Band sectionals begin on February 13th and go for 3 weeks. Honor Band members are required to attend at least one sectional per week (offered Tues/Wed/Thurs each week).
 - Times – Woodwinds – 2:30 – 3:15 Brass/Percussion – 3:30-4:15
 - What do I do during the other sectional? You can leave and come back, work on homework, or play along with us!
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This Week in Band

Week of 2/5/2024

Calendar – [Click here for the full calendar!](#)



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
04	05 Pass-offs 2:30-3	06 Pass-offs 2:30-3	07	08 Pass-offs 2:30-3	09	10
	5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	JB: Reh 7-7:40	5GB: Brass 7-7:45	JB: Reh 7-7:40	5GB: All 7-7:45 <i>(Need a ride to school afterward)</i>	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 1 2:30-4:15	5GB: Brass 7-7:45 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 1 2:30-4:15	JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 1 2:30-4:15	5GB: All 7-7:45 <i>(Need a ride to school afterward)</i> EP: Jazz MPA @Pensacola State College	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Presidents' Day NO SCHOOL	JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 2 2:30-4:15	5GB: Brass 7-7:45 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 2 2:30-4:15	JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 2 2:30-4:15	5GB: All 7-7:45 <i>(Need a ride to school afterward)</i>	
25	26	27	28	29	01	02
	5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 3 2:30-4:15	5GB: Brass 7-7:45 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 3 2:30-4:15	JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: MPA Sectionals Week 3 2:30-4:15	5GB: All 7-7:45 <i>(Need a ride to school afterward)</i>	
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
	5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	JB: Reh 7-7:40 HB: Makeup Sectionals 2:30-4:15 HB: Ram Rally	5GB: Brass 7-7:45 HB: Makeup Sectionals 2:30-4:15	JB: Reh 7-7:40	5GB: All 7-7:45 <i>(Need a ride to school afterward)</i> EP: Concert Band MPA @FWBHS	EP: Symphonic Winds MPA & Wind Symphony MPA @FWBHS
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	5GB: Woodwinds 7-7:45	AB: Music Performance Assessment (MPA) 2:30 PM Performance Time @ FWBHS	HB: Music Performance Assessment (MPA) 4:30 PM Performance Time @ FWBHS	Last Day of 3 rd Quarter	Spring Break NO SCHOOL	