



All Members –

- [Volunteer](#) – Attached is the link to sign up to volunteer! The events up right now are MPA for Advanced and Honor Band. We need 6 chaperones each day, along with someone to drive the band trailer.
 - [Ruckel Band Vendor Fair](#) – Jenn Matney: “We have been approved for a Vendor Fair on Sat 3/30 from 11-3 at The Preserve in Bluewater. The cost is \$40 and 1 raffle prize (no minimum cost requirement). This will be an outside rain-or-shine event with all proceeds going to the Ruckel Band. If you are a vendor or have a home business and would like to participate, please email **Jenn Matney** at thematneys@gmail.com. This is open to the first 19 vendors. Volunteers wanted! We need at least 10 student volunteers to help vendors empty their vehicles, set up tents and tables and at least 5 adult volunteers to help vendors find their spots and run the raffle booth.”
 - [Pass Offs](#) – Spring Semester assignment sheets are posted to the website (with due dates and descriptions).
 - www.ruckelband.com/student-resources (password: ruckelband)
 - [After-School Pass-offs](#) – Monday from 2:30-3:00. MUST have a ride home at 3:00
 - [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
 - [Band Placement for Next Year](#) – Students have been given the requirements for next year’s band placements and we have discussed them many times in class. [Click HERE for the full band level requirements!](#)
 - [Picture Day](#) – Friday, March 29th in class; Thank you to the parents who reached out to me about individual picture day! I wanted to make sure we could get that rescheduled. There will be a link to order pictures online after that date.
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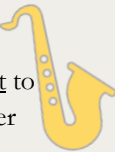
5th Grade Band (5GB) – @RamBand5th

- [Seesaw Shout Out!](#) – Our most active posters this week were Elisha, Matthew, Alex, Lainey, Evelyn, Jackson, and Benson! ☺
- [Rehearsals This Week](#) – ALL 5th Grade Band students can come Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Coach Daniels let me know he has a work conflict this week and will not be able to drive. All students will need to be picked up between 7:50 and 8:00AM.
- [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.



Beginning Band (BB) – @RamBandBeg

- [Due This Week](#) – This Friday, the pass-off for *Line 72: Theme from The Nutcracker* 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; Sign-up is now closed.



Intermediate Band (IB) – @RamBandInt

- [Due This Week](#) – This Friday, the pass-off for *Line 104: Alouette* 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; Sign-up is now closed.
 - [Accompanist Payment](#) – We have Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Larimer each taking half of the brass and woodwind solos (most percussion solos do NOT require accompaniment). Please bring in \$30 to pay for accompaniment if this applies to your child. If you have contact with a professional pianist and will NOT need an accompanist through the band, please email me! I do not recommend students accompanying other students.





Advanced Band (AB) – @RamBandAdv

- Due This Week – All pass-offs are past due. 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.
 - Chick-Fil-A Lunch: (OPTIONAL) students may order a Chick-Fil-A box lunch for MPA. Payment is due by Tuesday, March 5th. The cost is \$10 for a chicken sandwich, chips, and a cookie. The order is linked in the itinerary above.
 - MPA Off-Campus Student Release Forms – posted now on the band website; need to be submitted by Mon 3/11
- Solo and Ensemble – Saturday, April 13th; Sign-up is now closed.
 - Accompanist Payment – We have Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Larimer each taking half of the brass and woodwind solos (most percussion solos do NOT require accompaniment). Please bring in \$30 to pay for accompaniment if this applies to your child. If you have contact with a professional pianist and will NOT need an accompanist through the band, please email me! I do not recommend students accompanying other students.



Honor Band (HB) – @RamBandHon

- Due This Week – All pass-offs are past due. Once a student turns in his/her missing pass-off, I will change the Z to 100%.
- Ram Rally – Night performance Tues 3/5; We have been asked to perform the National Anthem, along with our MPA music and some football cheers. This is an important event for showcasing our band to incoming students.
- 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.
 - Chick-Fil-A Lunch: (OPTIONAL) students may order a Chick-Fil-A box lunch for MPA. Payment is due by Tuesday, March 5th. The cost is \$10 for a chicken sandwich, chips, and a cookie. The order is linked in the itinerary above.
 - MPA Off-Campus Student Release Forms – posted now on the band website; need to be submitted by Tues 3/12
 - Sectionals – This is the last week of sectionals. Honor Band members are required to attend at least one per week.
 - Make-Up Sectionals – If there is a week where your child cannot attend sectionals, they may make it up Tues 3/5 or Wed 3/6.
- Solo and Ensemble – Saturday, April 13th; Sign-up is now closed.
 - Accompanist Payment – We have Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Larimer each taking half of the brass and woodwind solos (most percussion solos do NOT require accompaniment). Please bring in \$30 to pay for accompaniment if this applies to your child. If you have contact with a professional pianist and will NOT need an accompanist through the band, please email me! I do not recommend students accompanying other students.



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



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