



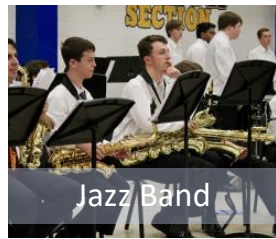
CHATAHOOCHEE BANDS



AUGUST 16, 2023 NEWSLETTER



Marching Band



Jazz Band



Classes



Color Guard



Indoor Drum Line

DIRECTOR UPDATE – Nick Garofalo

Hello Hooch Band,

To make sure all communication is efficient and easy to read, I am moving to a list style in my notes.

In addition, I will have a directors note that follows with any further details sent separately to all.

Members, be sure to read the newsletter.

Concert Band

- 6th period is on track for a great "Fanfare" performance on 9/28. All members of the band should be in attendance to support each other.
- 3rd and 4th period bands have taken a huge leap in execution of material and rehearsals. I'm looking forward to their Fall concert in October. Members of 6th period will be in attendance to support as well.
- Percussion class is very focused and making great strides in technique and comprehension.
- We will be sending out Pickle juice (our registration platform) this week for folks in any of the above classes not registered. This is a way to collect contact info, fees, and other database items.
- All state, honor band, jazz band and other registration items are now live. Members / Families must indicate through OSP if they are interested in participating in the above. A link is available to those members and will be sent in the director's notes.
- All students were given a class syllabus to be brought home and signed. Please make sure you have seen one and if not, please reach out to Mr. Crisman. We can send a digital copy.

Marching Band

This Friday's schedule for the game can be found here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p4Vnkpn8aqXxa5KmtH3Q8ax3ta4DFrAb/view?usp=sharing>

- During hot days, we have made some modifications. We rehearse with water bottles while setting drill therefore allowing access to water the full time. I have found indoor locations with AC in the middle or rehearsal (the hottest point) for music block. There was an issue with drumline and having limited access. This problem has been resolved for future rehearsals.
- We are creating "health bags" for each section leader for a student that might have missed a snack, forgot sunscreen, etc.
- When we set drill, it's with water bottles in hand so members always have access to water.
- In addition, since the turf adds to the heat, we are starting all rehearsals backfield on the grass until the weather cools off.
- Be sure to finalize your registration with the grand national's trip for Bands of America. As the trip is in November, registrations must occur and be funded for each member.
- Thank you to all the parent volunteers across all the areas. Shakos, Concessions, Props, Food, you name it! Thank you for assisting the members in the production and logistics.
- Uniforms are still slated to arrive for the marching band in late August. This is on track with their quoted timeline.



Congratulations to Hayden Sebastian for being named in the flute section for North Georgia Youth Wind Symphony!

Congratulations to Boss Lee, Shihyun Kim, Zhi Lin, and Jennifer Lee for being named members of the Atlanta Youth Wind Symphony!

Honor Ensemble Applications NOW OPEN



The National Honor Ensembles are among the crown jewels of the Music for All National Festival. Individual high school musicians are selected by recorded audition. Many Honor Ensemble alumni perform in professional symphonies, top military bands, and Grammy® jazz bands. Application/auditions for 2024 Honor Ensembles are due October 1, 2023.

[Click here to apply!](#)



Bands of America Grand Nationals Contest

The Bands of America Grand National contest hosts 100+ bands in a highly competitive national arena. It is the culmination of time put forth by the members, parents, and community throughout the season. This prestigious event is held in high regard, and we look forward to performing at our best this November.

Further details/itinerary for BOA:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Mre2X3RkbD2KK8sX5el_U4rW5E5biG84?usp=sharing

March Band calendar can be found here:

[Calendar & Events | Chattahoochee Bands](#)

COLOR GUARD UPDATE – Alexandria Davies

I hope everyone had a great first week of school. Our first performance is this Friday and we hope you can come to support us! Our first video assignment is due August 24th by 11:59pm. We are hoping to have our Player Pack attire in by Friday for your member to wear to the first game. In the case we do not receive these items, below is a small list of attire your member should bring. Failure to bring what's necessary or to notify the director, Alexandria, prior to Friday, will result in your member not performing. It could be the same attire worn for the Family & Friends show.



Attire List:

- Black top. Tank, short sleeves, or long sleeves. No large logos.
- Black or dark colored sports bra
- Black athletic shorts or leggings
- Can be running briefs or spandex.
- Black socks
- Black or dark colored sneakers. No high tops

Please ensure your member has at least one roll of black AND white electrical tape by the first game. You can choose to buy more than one roll; this is your choice. We are encouraging members to provide their own tape for equipment this season in case of equipment emergencies during a rehearsal or show. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Alexandria via email at hoochcolorguard@gmail.com.

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS



As we prepare for this season, we need everyone's help! Helping with Fall marching band football games and competitions is a terrific opportunity to meet other band parents who you will be spending a lot of time with this year! Sign up here: [Chattahoochee Bands: CHS Fall Marching Band Game & Competition Volunteers 2023 \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)



WE NEED YOUR PICTURES

The band is partnering with GuestPix to provide parents with a place to upload photos and videos as well as to



Are you taking amazing photos of our band?

Don't forget to share them with us!!! We want to feature YOUR CHILD in our end of year banquet montage, on our social media, on the website, etc. We can only do that if you upload your photos to our band photo album!

review photos taken by other parents and download them. The photos taken by Ken Ortloff, the band photographer, will also be uploaded to this site. No need to sign up or open an account. Just go to <https://my.guestpix.com/Guest/Login/9757> (use PIN: 4898) on your phone, choose upload, and send us your photos. QR code will be posted at each game and at band events for your convenience.



GAME DAY MEALS FOR BAND MEMBERS



We will be enjoying Moe's taco bar on Friday before our first game!! Vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free options will be available. Please remember to plan to provide a meal to your student before 6pm if they will not eat what is provided. Volunteers to help serve are welcome and should arrive at the cafeteria before 5:45pm. Sign up here: [Chattahoochee Bands: CHS Fall Marching Band Game & Competition Volunteers 2023 \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

HOOCH BANDS WEBSITE



Book mark our website for future reference here: [Home | Chattahoochee Bands](#)

ORDER YOUR SPIRITWEAR



Our Fall 2023 spirit wear link is LIVE! Click here to order marching band spirit wear for the whole family! [Products – Hooch Band Merchandise \(fyrethornspiritwear.com\)](https://fyrethornspiritwear.com)

FUNDRAISING IS A TEAM EFFORT



Family Raffle Picnic Fundraising Campaign! – Mark your calendars! We are gearing up for an exciting event, the Raffle Picnic on September 16th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 pm. We will be raffling off a Blackstone outdoor grill along with raffle baskets, while enjoying outdoor games and food! We will be sending out a Sign-up Genius for help with raffle baskets and more detailed information about the event. Please reach out to Deb Bargabus

at ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help.



Sponsorships! - We are always seeking new sponsors! Sponsorship is a great way to support our excellent band programs. We are looking for your recommendations and connections to anyone or any business interested in becoming a sponsor of the Chattahoochee High School Band programs. If you have any recommendations or questions about our sponsorship options, reach out to Deb Bargabus at ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com



Join the Fundraising Committee! This year we will be holding fundraising events and campaigns. We need your help! If you join the fundraising committee, you will be an integral part of supporting our band programs. As a committee member, you will have the opportunity to support our fundraising efforts in different ways, such as coordinating logistics for fundraising events, helping organize supplies,

distributing flyers to sponsors, and sending reminders to sponsors and other project partners. The time commitment for being on the fundraising committee can range from 1 – 3 hours a month. Interested? Reach out to Deb Bargabus, ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com

LOWER YOUR BAND DUES

Take advantage of our programs to help reduce your band fees!



RaiseRight Gift Card - Dues Fundraiser (Ongoing): Join RaiseRight, purchase gift cards to use at your favorite stores, and lower your band fees! Whether you are planning a last-minute summer vacation, shopping for school supplies, or eating out, use RaiseRight. The selection of gift cards is amazing! Delta, Hilton, Target, Home Depot, Best Buy, Subway and Dominos

are just a few of the 750 brand names you can choose from. Remember, anyone can help your student, grandparents, aunts and uncles, and even friends of the family! Interested? Reach out to Deb Bargabus at ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com or click here for more information: [Fundraise Your Dues | Chattahoochee Bands](#)



Butcher's Choice - Dues Fundraiser (Ongoing): Earn money towards your band fees while enjoying your summer BBQs! Shop for all of your family's premium meat and seafood products through Brad the Butcher. Whether you like beef, chicken, pork or seafood, Brad's high-quality products will be the star of your table. All purchases are delivered by Brad to the high school on a regular schedule. Order here: <http://www.butcherschoice.com/fundraiser.html>.

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