

Band Camp 2015

Band camp runs from Monday, August 17th through Saturday, August 22nd.

Monday, August 17th	10:00AM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM - 2:00PM
Tuesday, August 18th	9:00 AM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Wednesday, August 19th	9:00AM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Thursday, August 20th	9:00AM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Friday, August 21st	9:00AM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Saturday, August 22 nd	TBA	

Each day of camp you will need to bring:

- Water (I recommend you bring a thermos with your name on it)
- **Dot Books and Music**
- Sneakers at **all** rehearsals. (Extra socks are a good idea).
- Sunglasses, hat, sunscreen and bug spray.
- Weather specific clothing. Watch the weather!

A few other reminders...

- Make sure your instruments are in working condition before camp!
- Eat a good breakfast before you come to camp!!
- Come ready to work AND have fun! We are going to have a great season!

Marching Band FAQ's

What is Band Camp?

Band camp is the time before school begins when the band can focus on their marching skills, learning and memorizing new music and learning formations on the field for the marching show.

What are MICCA and NESBA?

MICCA stands for the Massachusetts Instrumental Choral & Conductors Association. NESBA stands for the New England Scholastic Band Association. They are groups that support music in the schools and sponsor marching band festivals for bands throughout the fall. The marching band will have the opportunity to perform in front of judges and an audience and be evaluated at each sponsored performance. More information can be found at www.miccamusic.org and www.nesba.org.

What does the rehearsal schedule look like and will there be time for homework?

The rehearsal schedule during the school year will be two nights a week in September and Saturday mornings. October's schedule will vary due to the competition schedule.

Once published, the fall rehearsal schedule can be found on the NAMA website and each student will receive a hard copy for the refrigerator! Rehearsal days vary due to use of Walsh Stadium. Saturday rehearsals in September are from 9:00AM – 12:00. Saturday rehearsal times in October vary due to performance times. **Plan your fall schedules appropriately!**

While this seems like a significant time commitment, if you are organized and plan ahead you will have plenty of time to do homework, study and socialize. There are several students in the marching band that participate in scouts, drama, play a fall sport, work and participate in marching band. **If you want to be in marching band, we can make it work! Please see me ahead of time so we can work out schedules!**