

**North Andover Scarlet Knight Band
2016 - 2017**



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*North Andover Public Schools
Music Department*

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Dear NAHS Scarlet Knight Band and Color Guard Members and Parents,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 North Andover Scarlet Knight Band. To the new parents and students - welcome to a tradition of excellence. My name is Justin D. Smalley, and I am very excited to begin my sixth year as the Director of Bands at North Andover High School.

The staff and I are thrilled about the show for the fall season – *Primary Colors*. To access the schedule, the handbook, health and order forms for the 2016 - 2017 school year, please visit the North Andover Music Association (NAMA) website at <http://www.northandovermusic.org> Please mark the dates on your calendar as attendance of every member is essential and mandatory in order for the band to continue to achieve its success. (Please note this year all forms will be done on google docs.) The only thing you will need to bring to band camp is a check!

To Students- Becoming and being a member of the instrumental music program requires commitment, hard work and a positive attitude. The reward of being a member in this organization is not only your association with other students who share a sense of camaraderie and friendship, but also participating in the creation of a professional quality musical experience. There are also several opportunities for significant musical and personal growth and the development of leadership skills. Take pride in belonging to the Scarlet Knight Music Program!

Sincerely,
Justin D. Smalley
Director of Bands, North Andover High School
Go Knights!

2016– 2017
North Andover Scarlet Knights Band Leadership

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Stationary percussionSL
Kunal Gala

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Horn Players

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Erin Murphy
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Jason Chen

Band Camp 2016

Band camp runs from Monday, August 15th through Saturday, August 20th.

Monday, August 15th	9:00AM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM - 2:00PM
Tuesday, August 16th	9:00 PM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Wednesday, August 17th	9:00PM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Thursday, August 18th	9:00PM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Friday, August 19th	10:00PM – 5:00PM	Lunch Break 1:00PM – 2:00PM
Saturday, August 20th	9:00PM – 12:00	NAMA BBQ 12:00PM – 1:00PM
PREVIEW SHOW	2:00PM	

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 where the band can focus on refreshing their marching skills, learning and memorizing all the new music and learning their 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 and Saturday mornings in September and October.

The fall rehearsal schedule can be found on the NAMA website and each student will receive a hard copy for the refrigerator! During the week, rehearsals are from 6:00PM – 9:00PM. Rehearsal days vary due to use of Walsh Stadium. Saturday rehearsals in September are from 9:00AM – 1:00PM. 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!**

North Andover Scarlet Knights Band Handbook

Mission:

The purpose of the North Andover High School Scarlet Knight bands is:

1. To develop strong musicianship and ensemble performance skills.
2. To develop character, leadership, teamwork and individual responsibility while maintaining high moral standards.
3. To provide entertainment and promote school spirit in cooperation with school and civic activities.
4. To compete/perform locally and at the state level at the ensemble and individual levels.

Organization:

The North Andover High School band program is made up of all students involved in playing instruments in the Wind Ensemble (Audition Only), Symphonic Band (Any student grades 9-12), Jazz Ensemble (Audition Only) and the Scarlet Knight Marching Band; all band members are required to be members of the marching band.

Student offices are chosen through a combination of director choice, group voting and tryouts/performance. In the case of a vacancy, the Director will appoint the most qualified person to fill the vacancy. Any officer not fulfilling his/her responsibilities can be removed from office.

Student Officers:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Librarian (2)
- Historian (2)
- Drum Majors
- Section Leaders
- Equipment Manager (optional appointment)

Ensembles:

Wind Ensemble:

The North Andover High School Wind Ensemble is one of the premiere instrumental performing groups at North Andover High School and is comprised of the most dedicated instrumentalists. As a member of this honors ensemble, students will perform high level literature for winds and percussion. For the first trimester, the Wind Ensemble combines with the Symphonic Band to perform as the Scarlet Knight Marching Band. Students who are accepted to the Wind Ensemble must commit fully to the group and understand the added responsibility of being a member of this ensemble. All Symphonic Band students are eligible to audition for the NAHS Wind Ensemble. **Students who are unable to take Wind Ensemble in school Trimester 1 are still required to participate in Marching Band.** Wind Ensemble is a full year course.

Symphonic Band:

Symphonic Band is a performance-based ensemble that is open to all students who have successfully completed at least one year of band at the middle school level. Students who have not met these criteria should contact the band director to arrange an audition. The Symphonic Band will perform in multiple venues, including a winter and spring concert, festival opportunities in and out of state and other various community events. Emphasis will be placed on ensemble playing- the perfection of a coordinated group. Students will play a variety of wind band literature, focusing on the improvement of musical and technical abilities of the musicians. **All students electing Symphonic Band automatically agreed to participate in all functions at which the Scarlet Knight Marching Band performs. Symphonic Band is a full year course. Students who are unable to take Symphonic Band in school Trimester 1 are still required to participate in Marching Band.**

Jazz Ensemble:

Students will study music of the jazz idiom. The repertoire for the ensemble will be chosen from jazz, swing, Dixieland, funk and rock. Students must audition for this ensemble. Jazz Ensemble is an extracurricular ensemble that meets once a week after school during the 2nd and 3rd trimesters.

Scarlet Knight Marching Band:

Marching Band is an after school performing ensemble made up of all 9-12 band students enrolled in either Wind Ensemble or Symphonic Band. This is a challenging yet fun aspect to band performance. Marching Band has the following requirements: attend a week of band camp in August, attend multiple after school rehearsals each week, perform at home football games, and perform at 3 NESBA competitions and 2 MICCA competitions. Perform at parades (Veterans Day, North Andover Santa Parade, Little League Parade and Memorial Day). The majority of marching band events take place from September-November, with one additional parade on Memorial Day.

Policies

Sectionals:

"Sectionals" refer to separate rehearsals for each "section" or group of "instruments" isolated from the rest of the group. Throughout the year, sectionals occur weekly. Information about sectionals will be determined at the beginning of the year. Typically, a "section" agrees upon a time when all students can meet and this becomes the weekly sectional rehearsal time for the entire school year. Sectionals are usually 45 minutes-1 hour in duration and take place during after-school hours at the NAHS campus. Sectionals are mandatory; sectional rehearsals aid in the development of blend and balance within sections as well as the overall ensemble.

Preparedness:

You are expected to be prepared for all rehearsals and performances and to have the following items:

- Musical instrument in working condition and necessary supplies (reeds, oil, mutes, sticks, tuner, metronome)
- Music (including all warm up exercises)
- Pencil
- For Marching Band rehearsals - lyre, flip folder, dot book, water, appropriate clothing for rehearsals (sneakers, socks, hat, sun screen, bug spray)
- Positive Attitude

Attendance:

Students and their families are asked to strictly adhere to the following rules regarding attendance.

1. Any excused absence from a rehearsal or performance must be given, in writing (and signed by a parent), and approved by the band director two weeks before the event.
2. "Call times" are arrival times and are 15 minutes before start time, which allows 15 minutes to prepare. Remember, to be early is to be on time and to be on time is to be late.
3. ALL band members are expected to attend band camp in August.

Regarding the most common attendance issues:

- No verbal excuses are considered 'excused' for any reason.
- Any unexcused absence from a rehearsal or performance results in the lowering of the term grade.
- If a last-minute issue arises that will affect attendance, it is the student's responsibility to contact the director BEFORE rehearsal. Then, the student must bring a note (signed by parent/doctor) upon return.

Work Policy:

The director understands the importance of holding employment as a teenager, but also understands that employers will give days off, should they be required, if given enough notice.

- It is recommended that you give your employer a copy of your band schedule so that work shifts can be scheduled around rehearsals and performances.
- If your employer is uncooperative, notify the director who will then speak to the employer.

Sports and Band:

- It is challenging to participate in a fall sport and band, but is possible.
- Students who participate in a fall sport MUST provide a practice/game schedule when their band schedule contract is returned.
- Conflicts will occur. If forced to choose, pick a performance over a practice, or a game over a rehearsal. If a practice interferes with a rehearsal, you are expected to divide your time evenly.
- With scheduling conflicts in mind, remember that participation in band is a component of the academic curriculum and participation in sports is extracurricular.

Appointments:

- Appointments should be scheduled on non-practice days.

"I didn't know":

- An unacceptable excuse. The entire year's schedule is sent home, posted in the band room, emailed, posted on the Facebook page and the website. Any changes are made widely available.

Football Games:

- The marching band is required to perform at ALL HOME GAMES. It is part of your obligation to the music organization, the school and the town. Games are generally on Friday nights. Thanksgiving Day games are every other year on Thanksgiving morning.

Parades:

- Not only are parades excellent publicity for the music program and the school, they are often valuable fundraising events. Participation in parades is required, and absence from these events will not be tolerated.

Dress Code:

Performances:

Unless otherwise specified, concert black or your marching band uniform is required at all performances.

- Concert black: Black shirt, (tucked in) black pants/skirt, black shoes (e.g. Dinkles). For All Town band Concert - White Band Polo Shirt with black pants/skirt, black shoes.
- Marching band: Complete uniform, black socks, black gloves, Dinkles. For football games, a hat or gloves are permitted in the stands.

Code of Conduct:

Classroom Conduct:

- Band members must read the whiteboard in the band room for daily class plans and prepare appropriately.
- During school hours, passes are required for tardiness. School policy is strictly adhered to. Students should be in their seats with their instrument 5 minutes after the late bell.
- During rehearsal, talking is to be kept to a minimum and should be related to rehearsal only. Playing when not requested by the director is unacceptable.
- No food with the exception of bottled water is allowed anywhere in the music department!
- Learn your music. Home practice is required. Upperclassmen, in particular, are expected to set a positive example.
- Students should never use or touch an instrument that is not assigned to them or does not belong to them.
- Every effort must be made to protect instruments and equipment.

Performance/Trip Conduct:

The first musical organization the public will see is the marching band in the early fall. The impression set forth impacts the year's activities and the success of our other musical organizations.

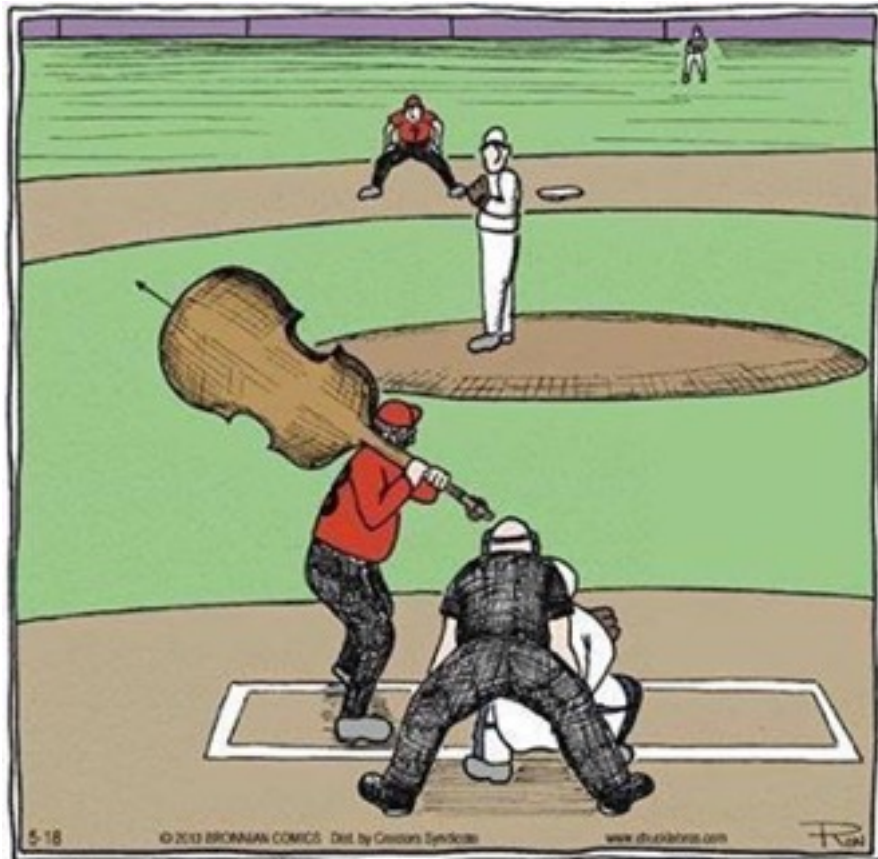
- Attendance is mandatory, unless previously excused by the band director.
- Transportation will be provided by bus if needed. Unless otherwise designated, every student will be expected to ride the bus.
- All members are to report to the band room at the designated time, load the bus and go through roll call.
- School policy regarding conduct while riding a bus is applicable and will be enforced. Any student who does not follow the bus rules will have his/her parents/guardians contacted immediately and will be subject to consequences per the NAHS school-wide disciplinary policy. Students in violation of such policies may be subject to removal from a musical event and/or removal from the NAHS music department courses and programming.
- At football games, the band is to sit together in the stands in full uniform. Shakos are not required at this time.
- Students are 'free' during the 3rd quarter of the game. However, all conduct rules apply and uniforms are to be worn. All students must return to the stand by the start of the 4th quarter.
- If a student wishes to eat/drink during 3rd quarter, they should do so ONLY if they have covered their uniform with a band jacket.
- Playing is done as a group only, per the discretion of the director and as game-stoppage allows.
- No booing, abusive language or obscene gestures will be tolerated at any time.
- Chaperones and parent volunteers are to be treated with the utmost respect at all times.

Disciplinary Code:

Any member found to be breaking any rule from the North Andover Band Handbook or the North Andover High School Handbook will be referred to the director and, when appropriate, the school administration for disciplinary action. Membership in any of the Scarlet Knight music ensembles may be terminated at any time by the director with the approval of the administration. Students who do not complete their required Marching Band Commitment will not be allowed to stay enrolled in Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble for Trimester 2 or 3.

Did You Practice Today?!!!





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**Being the bottom of the ninth, one run down,
with two outs and a runner on second,
Barry knew his team's only hope
was a double bass hit.**



North Andover Music Association



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We Believe in Music

Hello Music Families,

Our parent run organization provides continuous support for all music students throughout the North Andover Public Schools. The financial and volunteer support that the North Andover Music Association offers to the music program ranges from funding uniforms for band and chorus, scholarships to seniors, band and chorus competition aid and financial support for trips such as Disney, Carnegie Hall in NYC and the WorldStrides Festival of Gold in Los Angeles!

We invite everyone with a student active in music or simply an interest in music to join the North Andover Music Association (NAMA) and help us continue the ongoing growth and success of our programs. You could also support our association by making a tax-deductible donation. NAMA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your tax deductible membership donation can be made in two (2) ways:

- 1) PayPal at www.northandovermusic.org
- 2) Fill out this form and mail your check payable to: North Andover Music Association Address:
NAMA c/o NAHS, 430 Osgood Street North Andover, MA 01845

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

I/We wish to become a member of NAMA by making a contribution to be acknowledged in programs as:

🍏 Sponsor and NAMA member (\$25-\$74)

🍏 Patron (\$75-\$199)

🍏 Angel (\$200 or more)

🍏 Corporate (\$500 or more)

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Does your company offer a matching gift program? **Remember Corporate Matching Gifts can double your support for our music programs!**

Please contact Linda Pegalis, Membership Chair at Pegalis@yahoo.com for additional information. Thank you for supporting the arts!

“Music is the universal language of Mankind.” -Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, *Outre-Mer*

Band Schedule 2016 - 2017*

Wednesday, August 31, 7:30 am @NAHS: PERFORM for NAPS Staff
Wednesday, August 31, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, September 1, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Tuesday, September 6, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, September 8, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Saturday, September 10, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Tuesday, September 13, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, September 15, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Friday, September 16, 6:15 pm @NAHS Courtyard: REPORT for home football game v. Haverhill
Saturday, September 17, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Tuesday, September 20, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Wednesday, September 21, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Friday, September 23, 6:15 pm @NAHS Courtyard: REPORT for home football game v. Tewksbury
Saturday, September 24, 9:00 - 11:00 am @NAHS: REHEARSAL, then Everett Homecoming Parade TBA
Tuesday, September 27, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, September 29, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Saturday, October 1, 2:00 pm @NAMS Hayes Stad.: NAHS NESBA REHEARSAL (perform @NAHS @8:20 pm)
Monday, October 3, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, October 6, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Saturday, October 8, Time/Location TBA: WAKEFIELD NESBA REHEARSAL (perform @WakefieldHS @7:25 pm)
Tuesday, October 11, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, October 13, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Saturday, October 15, 2:00 pm @Wakefield H.S.: WAKEFIELD MICCA REHEARSAL (perform @TBA pm)
Tuesday, October 18, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, October 20, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Friday, October 21, 4:00 pm @NAHS Courtyard: REPORT for home football game v. Chelmsford/8th Gr. Night
Saturday, October 22, 2:00 pm @NAHS: READING NESBA REHEARSAL (perform @ReadingHS @7:50 pm)
Sunday, October 23, 12:00 pm @NAHS: MICCA FINALS LAWRENCE REHEARSAL (perform @LawrenceHS TBA)
Tuesday, October 25, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Thursday, October 27, 6:00 - 9:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Friday, October 28, Time TBA @NAHS Courtyard: REPORT for POSSIBLE home playoff football game
Saturday, October 29, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm @NAHS: REHEARSAL
Sunday, October 30, 12:00 pm @NAHS: NESBA FINALS LAWRENCE REHRSAL (perform @LawrenceHS @5:08 pm)
Friday, November 4, Time TBA @NAHS Courtyard: REPORT for POSSIBLE home playoff football game
Friday, November 11, 9:00 am: REPORT for VETERANS DAY PARADE @First & Main St. Plaza North Andover
Friday, November 11, Time TBA @NAHS Courtyard: REPORT for POSSIBLE home playoff football game
Friday, November 18, Time TBA @NAHS Courtyard: REPORT for POSSIBLE home playoff football game
Saturday, November 19, Time TBA @NAHS: OPTIONAL Senior Districts Auditions (snow date 11/20)
DATE TBA, 6:00 pm @NAHS: PERFORM at 7th/8th Grade High School Information Night
Saturday, November 26, 9:00 am @TBA: REPORT for North Andover SANTA PARADE
Tuesday, December 6, 6:00 - 9:00 pm: DRESS REHEARSAL for Winter Concert
Tuesday, December 13, 6:00 - 9:00 pm: DRESS REHEARSAL for Winter Concert
Thursday, December 15, 6:00 pm: REPORT for WINTER CONCERT (perform @7:00 pm)
Tuesday, April 4, Time TBA @NAHS: REPORT for ALL-TOWN BAND FESTIVAL
Monday, May 29, 9:00 am @N.A. Town Common: REPORT for MEMORIAL DAY PARADE (march @10:00 am)

* Please go to this link to complete and submit the electronic schedule attendance form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdLnHmxXZtN0uKJeUUTSmvImOa5Uzm_6lsiKRf7HlrxOx9QNg/viewform