

LRHS Band News and Notes 04/09/2023 Special Edition #2

Important Dates:

- Monday, April 10th Auditions 23/24 Band Program "Quick Prepare Piece" goes live: See announcements from the directors below.
- Tuesday, April 11th Jazz Band rehearsals begin again after break
- Wednesday, April 12th Auditions for CB and SB for the 23/24 school year are due. See announcement in the "Directors" announcements below.
- Wednesday, April 19th Saturday, April 22nd LRHS Spring Musical Production: "The Sound of Music"

New Bands Club Announcements:

1. An important message from the Bands Club Board re: Bands Club Board and Committee Chair positions:

Hello band families,

If you currently hold a Bands Club Board or committee chair position and do not plan to continue in that role for the 2023-24 school year, please email Allison Bullard (abullard2@wcpss.net) as soon as possible and let her know.

If you are interested in supporting our band program next year, watch this space! We will announce available volunteer opportunities via email and the weekly Band News and Notes newsletters. Please consider taking on a volunteer role next year – there are lots of ways to get involved. If you have questions, email or talk to any of the current volunteers. We're more than happy to help you find something that's a good fit. Thank you!

Announcements from the Directors:

The Spring Band season continues now that break is over and there are many dates coming up that our band families should have on their calendars. Please refer to the following LRHS Band Calendar link and sync the dates with your own Google calendar if that would help you remember all the events.

LRHS Band Google Calendar

1. **Auditions for next year's Band programs:** Course registration for the 23/24 school year will be coming up soon. As is stated on our band website:

"Students will only need to audition for **Concert** or **Symphonic Band**. There is no audition required for Intermediate Band if you played middle school band in the 8th grade – if you didn't the directors will need to hear you play to assign you to the correct band."

Auditions for Concert and Symphonic Band will be due on April 12th, with the "Quick Prepare piece" going live on April 10th.

Students need to prepare a solo and play the designated scales as well. The specific information on what else to play is in GOOGLE CLASSROOM.

Other announcements from our directors:

a) Musical Pit Orchestra Schedule of Rehearsals: All students playing in the spring musical pit orchestra should add the following pit orchestra rehearsal dates to their schedules. Please refer to the doc included below in order to know dates, times, and sections planned for each rehearsal.

Musical Pit Orchestra Schedule of Rehearsals

b) Message from LRHS Pride Productions regarding the upcoming musical:

Tickets for the Leesville Road High School production of *The Sound of Music* go on sale to the general public this Wednesday, March 29th at 8:00 am using the link <u>https://leesville.booktix.com/</u>. Show dates and times are listed below and don't be timid about seeing the show more than once from a different vantage point. Your students are putting forth their best efforts and one show may be slightly different than another. The orchestra pit will be set up on the floor in front of the stage.

The Sound of Music Show Dates: Wednesday, April 19 at 4:30 PM (Preview) Thursday, April 20 at 7 PM Friday, April 21 at 7 PM Saturday, April 22 at 2 PM and 7 PM

Playbill Ads and Personal Ads

The deadline for ordering and submitting content for any corporate and personal ad for *The Sound of Music* Playbill is Saturday, April 1st at 11:59 pm. Orders can be placed through our <u>website</u>. Please remember to complete both steps of the order (e.g. purchase + content) before the deadline so that the Playbill can be completed on time.

Finally, we will be offering concessions during each of the shows. This will include soda, water, chips, candy, cookies, magnets, and flowers. Cash is preferred. If you missed out on ordering a T-shirt, we may have some limited quantities and sizes available for purchase.

Thank you for your support! Darrin Pohlman

- c) Jazz Band Rehearsal Update: Our directors have taken a look at the band calendar and the next few weeks leading up to spring break are incredibly busy. The directors have decided to pause jazz rehearsals again until after we return from Spring Break. Jazz Band members should continue practicing <u>on their own</u> the music we've been reading, and we'll return to our normal Tues/Thurs schedule on April 11.
- **d) All-District Recordings:** All-district band weekend recordings are now available and can be found at the following link:

All-District Recordings January 2023