



# LRHS Band News and Notes

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## Important May 2024 Dates:

- **Saturday, May 4th:** Bands Club Annual BBQ Fundraiser; [Flyer](#)
- **Thursday, May 9th:** IB and Orchestra Spring Concert at 6PM - [Tickets](#) (See note below re Thursday concert Tickets); [Instruction Sheet](#)
- **Thursday, May 9th:** CB and Jazz Band Spring Concert at 7PM - [Tickets](#) (See note below re Thursday concert Tickets); [Instruction Sheet](#)
- **Friday, May 10th:** SB Spring Concert at 7PM - [Tickets](#); [Instruction Sheet](#)
- **Tuesday - Thursday, May 14, 15, & 16:** Colorguard Clinics for 2024-25 - 3:30-5:30PM
- **Sunday, May 19th:** Senior Cookout with the Cs - 1-3PM
- **Tuesday, May 21:** New Parent Meeting & Final Bands Club Meeting - 7-8PM
- **Tuesday - Thursday, May 21, 22, & 23:** Battery Clinics/Auditions - 2:30-4:30PM
- **Wednesday - Thursday, 29 & 30:** Front Ensemble Clinics/Auditions
- **Friday, May 31:** Band Banquet - 6 - 8:30PM
- **Other important Dates:** Please link to LRHS Band Google Calendar: [Calendar – Leesville Road High School Bands \(leesvilleband.org\)](#) ; the [Orchestra Website and Calendar: Leesville Road High School Orchestra](#) ; All Ensembles' dates (combined programs) can be found highlighted at this link: [Ensembles Calendar](#)

## New Bands Club Announcements:

### **1. LRHS Teacher Appreciation Week - Bands Club Hospitality Committee Request:**

Hello Band Families,

It is that time again. Every year, band parents contribute Hershey Symphony bars for all staff to be given out during LRHS teacher appreciation week.

We need 220 XL size (4.25 oz) bars. They are sold at Walmart, Amazon, Harris Teeter and CVS.

Here are the drop off times:

Thursday & Friday, May 2 & 3, 7am - 7pm, porch drop off @ 8445 Eden Park Drive, Raleigh, NC 27613

Last Drop off at BBQ Fundraiser: Saturday, May 4 @ Springdale Pool - Look for the CANDY BAR DROP BOX

[Please sign up](#)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F044DACAA2FA7F49-49403002-symphony>

## **2. Thursday Evening Spring Concert - A Special Project!:**

Leesville Road High School Bands will be partnering with the nonprofit organization, Note in the Pocket, to host a clothing drive during our Intermediate, Concert, Jazz Band and Orchestra Spring Concert on May 9. Note in the Pocket's mission is to provide clothing to impoverished students with dignity and love across Wake County. In support of their cause, we are asking you to consider bringing in used clothes to donate at the entrance of the performance. The donation bin will be in the front lobby as you enter.

Thank you so much!

Ashelynn Justice, CB Student

## **3. Spring Concerts - Hospitality Committee Concert Receptions:**

Food and volunteer signups are ready for our Spring concerts next week. We are asking all band families to please bring something for their reception. Items can be homemade or store bought. It works best if Symphonic band families volunteer for the Intermediate, Orchestra, Concert, and Jazz concert reception and vice versa.

[Symphonic Band Reception Signup](#)

[Intermediate, Orchestra, Concert, and Jazz Reception Signup](#)

**Band Boosters Hospitality**

Contact Casey Slock (919-271-5690) or Jackie Force (919-523-3721) with questions.

## **4. Congratulations to our All State Honors Band Participants:**

Congratulations to Quinn, Evan, Ben, Gus, Nick, and Samantha for representing Leesville so well!



## 5. Important News from the Fundraising Committee

**BBQ Fundraiser – THIS SATURDAY – May 4<sup>th</sup> (11am – 2pm) – Springdale Pool Parking Lot**

### [BBQ Fundraiser Flyer](#)

Thank you to those who pre-ordered plates. We had 245 plates purchased ahead of time!! *Look for your designated line to receive your paper ticket(s) based on EACH plate type purchased.*

Good news, if you did not purchase a plate because you had not determined your weekend plans, you can still come by the pool parking lot and buy one. Based on this year's pre-orders and past sales history, our cook will have 300+ walkup plates available for purchase on a first come, first serve basis. ***Credit card and cash accepted for walkup plate purchases. Look for the correct line based on your method of payment.***

Three plate options for **\$12 each**:

- Half Chicken plate

- BBQ Pork & Chicken Combo plate
- BBQ Pork Plate – *the most popular pre-order plate!*

**We are still in need of several Parent & Student Volunteers** – click the link below to sign up for a one-hour slot to help on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4FAEAB2DA2FE3-47726062-lrhs#/>

Questions? Contact the organizers: Melanie Shoffner at [mbshoffner620@gmail.com](mailto:mbshoffner620@gmail.com) or Kristi Phillips at [ksphillips136@gmail.com](mailto:ksphillips136@gmail.com).

## **Capital Campaign Fundraiser (runs through May 2024)**

Let's show our appreciation for Mrs. Colburn and Mr. Cvijanovic and their amazing leadership. ***Our goal for this fundraiser is \$25k. As of the March Bands Club meeting we had raised over \$16k which is great and I'm sure at this point in April it's over \$17k.***

*Do your part, big or small*, to help our fantastic directors purchase the items on their wish list (a new sousaphone to replace a 30-year-old one and renovations to the instrument storage area).

To donate by credit card: Click the **Donate** button at the bottom of the band's website (<https://www.leesvilleband.org/home/>).

Review the attached letter for more details, as well as to give by check.

### **[Capital Campaign Letter](#)**

## **5. LRHS Middle School Band Performance at the Carolina Mudcats Game:**

If you are looking for a fun evening after the Bands Club BBQ this Saturday, why not come out to support our future LRHS Band Students by catching our Middle School Band perform at **Carolina Mudcats Pro Baseball Game**. Here are all the details:

Attend this Saturday night's Mudcats game after the Band BBQ and support the Leesville Middle School Band. [Click here for tickets](#). Middle school students will perform the Star Spangled Banner to open the game and the Leesville community will sit together.

Link:

<https://www.ticketreturn.com/prod2new/GroupPortalPEC.asp?HoldID=4308&SponsorID=17060&EventID=340254>

Contact Casey Slock (919-271-5690) if you have any questions.

**6. Venue Fundraising News!!!** Building your students Charms Account can be done by working at some of the venues that have offered our Bands Club that opportunity. Here's how:

**We have a unified spreadsheet for volunteer opportunities.**

[Signup Genius](#)

[Consolidated Volunteer Information \(includes signup genius link\)](#)

Tabs are at the bottom for information on each venue.

If you have any questions, you can contact: Dkswann@gmail.com or 919.645.7290

### **New Announcements from the Directors:**

#### **1. Spring Concert tickets:**

Tickets for the Concert:

You can purchase tickets for our concerts next week at GoFan.Co

([https://gofan.co/app/school/NC1303\\_1](https://gofan.co/app/school/NC1303_1)). Please note that just like last December, you do NOT need to purchase a ticket for BOTH the 6pm and 7pm concerts on Thursday if you plan to attend both.

#### **2. Instruction Sheets for the Spring Concerts:**

Here are the links to the Instruction Sheets for **ALL ENSEMBLES** for next week's concerts:

- [IB/Orchestra/CB/Jazz Band Concert Instruction Sheet](#)
- [SB Concert Instruction Sheet](#)

Please read these carefully and follow all the instructions given. Remember - Early is On-Time!

#### **3. Marching Band 2024-2025 - Competition Dates:**



The following dates will be next year's Marching Band competitions for Symphonic Band Members:

- September 28
- October 5
- October 19
- October 26

Specific locations will be shared at a later date, but please add these Saturdays to your calendar. Thanks!

#### 4. NC Percussion Day: Saturday, May 11th at Enloe:



The image is a promotional poster for the North Carolina Day of Percussion event. On the left, there is a photograph of Rusty Burge playing a mallet instrument, with the text "NORTH CAROLINA DAY OF PERCUSSION" in large, bold, black letters above him and "RUSTY BURGE" in smaller text below. On the right, there is a photograph of Dr. Lamon Lawhorn sitting on a Pearl drum set, with the text "PERCUSSIVE ARTS SOCIETY" above him and "DR. LAMON LAWHORN" below. At the bottom of the poster, there is a red box containing the event details: "5-11-24 | 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM", "Registration/Expo Hall opens at 8:30 AM", "William G. Enloe High School", "128 Clarendon Crescent", "Raleigh, NC 27610", "\$15/\$20", and a QR code.

#### 5. Summer Jazz Opportunity for High School Students - 2024 Furman University/Greenville Jazz Collective Summer Jazz Camp:

Details about this exciting opportunity can be found at the following link:

[Furman University and Greenville Jazz Collective Summer Jazz Camp](#)

## Previous Announcements:

### 1. **Band Camp for the 24/25 Band Season - Important Updates:**

**Dates for Band Camp and Pre-Band Camp are SET** and currently in the Symphonic Band Google Calendar. Please note there are a few changes this summer. We have to be finished with Band Camp by August 1<sup>st</sup> due to LRHS Sports Tryouts. We wanted to push band camp as LATE as possible as our first Home Game is on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and we don't want to forget everything we learned!

Here are those dates written out:

- Leadership and Rookies (First Year SB Students) ONLY at LRHS: July 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> (Mon/Tue)- 8am - 12pm
- Percussion and Guard ONLY at LRHS: July 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> (Mon/Tue) - 8am-4pm
- Pre-Band Camp at LRHS:  
July 17<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> , 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday) - **ALL** 8am-12pm, Percussion and Guard will continue until 4pm.
- Band Camp at Lees McRae College:  
July 25<sup>th</sup> - July 31<sup>st</sup> (Thursday through Wednesday) Overnight Camp
- August Rehearsal Dates:  
*Tentatively* August 13, 15, 20 and 22 from 6-8:30pm - We are waiting to hear back from Mrs. Jacobs

### 2. **Color Guard Clinics for 24/25 School Year:** Join Color Guard for the 2024 Fall Season. Those new to our band program may not be familiar with Color Guard so here is a little info:

*“Color guard is an outdoor performance-based group that competes along side the marching band. You will have the opportunity to spin a flag, dance, and spin weapons.”*

Read the following flyer to learn more about the clinics in preparation for the next season:

[LRHS Color Guard 2024](#)

**3. ECU Summer Band Day for High School Band Students:** All the info about this fun summer Marching Band experience can be found at this link:

 [ECU Summer Band Day for High School Students 2024](#)

**4. LRHS Bands Club March Meeting Minutes:** Please read the minutes from the LRHS Bands Club March Meeting. It has all the details on current Bands Club activities:

[LRHS Bands Club March Meeting Minutes](#)