



2023-24 WILDCAT MARCHING BAND

WELCOME WILDCATS!

WELCOME! - VISION

- We are so happy to start another year!
- “The Mesquite High School Band program is committed to the development of outstanding young people and outstanding young performers. We believe that an everyday commitment to becoming the best that we are capable of being will lead to success both in music and in life. MHS Bands develop outstanding people through great performances.”
- The Mesquite Band - Motivated
- Call Time/Start Time Definition - 15 min rule to prepare, set up, practice, socialize
- Band is a family

BAND Communication

- New Booster website under development - details to come

Other communications

- Infinite Campus - Email
- Google Classroom
- Smore News Letters - Email
- Band App
- Classroom
- Parent Networks

MARCHING BAND STAFF

- Steve Quintana - Director
- Trisha Kirby - Booster President
- TBA – Color Guard Caption Head
- Jeremy Reynoso - Percussion Caption Head
- Shawn Boomer - Visual/Brass Caption Head
- Chris Hover - Music/Woodwind Caption Head
- Craig Fitzpatrick- Composer/Music Consultant

Band Camp Schedules

Summer Band Camp (The Wildcat Way)

- July 10 - July 14 Camp P. 1 8:00 - 6:00
- July 17 - July 18 Camp PII 8:00 - 6:00

Fall Band Camp (Show Time)

- October 2 - October 6
- Competition on October 7

No Band October 8 - October 15

Weekly Schedule

- Monday - (1hr) 3:00 - 4:00
- Tuesday - (3hr) 4:00 - 7:00
- Wednesday PLC - (1hr) 1:30 - 2:30 Sectionals
- Thursday - (3hr) 3:00 - 6:00
- Friday
 - (1hr) 3:00 - 4:00
 - Game Day Schedule
 - 3:00 - 4:00 Rehearsal
 - 4:00 Game Preparations
 - Eat Dinner
 - Travel
 - 6:45 Pre-Show
 - Game Start
- M, TH, F Rehearsals begin at 3:00 allowing students to complete tutoring, club, or school business. Students are encouraged to use the time to work on homework, snack/hydrate, rest, or practice their music.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE (PROJECTED)

- 8/25 Home v. Mingus Union
- 9/1 Away @ Marcos DeNiza
- 9/8 Home v. Eastmark
- 9/15 Away @ Gilbert
- 9/22 Home v. Maricopa
- 9/29 Away @ Combs
- 10/27 Away @ Az College Prep**
- 11/3 Home v. Desert Sunrise
- *Football Play off Games subject to team's season - all the way to Thanksgiving

COMPETITION SCHEDULE (PROJECTED)

- 9/30 Competition ABODA @ Verrado HS
- 10/2 - 10/6 Fall Band Camp
- 10/7 Competition AzMBA @ Pinnacle HS
- 10/21 Competition ABODA @ NAU Band Day
- 10/28 Competition AzMBA @ Basha HS
- 11/4 ABODA Semifinals @ Gilbert
- 11/7 Mesquite Band Junior High Night
- 11/11 AzMBA Championships @ Mt. Pointe
- 11/18 ABODA Championships @ Glendale

Financial Information

Class Fee \$75 - Pay to Bookstore at start of year or registration

- competition registration
- Music Arrangement and Purchasing

Activity Fee \$400 - Pay to Boosters in full or on payment plan or Tax Credit

- Production and Drill design
- Performance Rights
- Hardware, Props, and Maintenance
- Food
- Staff and Clinicians
- Show Shirt and memorabilia

Class Fee - \$75

Due at registration

Activity Fee - \$400

- Scholarship available

Fee can be paid in installments:

7/10 - 1st payment (Band Camp)

8/15 - 2nd Payment

9/15 - 3rd Payment

10/6 - 4th Payment (Fall Band Camp)

All Fees due in full by 11/11/2023

Tax Credit - Please provide Mr. Q a copy of your tax credit donation receipts for accounting

WHAT YOU NEED FOR THE SEASON

- A great attitude!
- Water jug
- Music Binder
- Flip folder - winds
- Hat/Sunscreen/Sunglasses
- Bug spray
- Cooling towel - personal
- Old beach towel - instrument
- Pencil for marking music
- charged cell phone for Ultimate Drill Book and Band App ~or~ dot book

We are always accepting donations of these materials in quality condition.

Required for Front Ensemble,
Guard, Battery



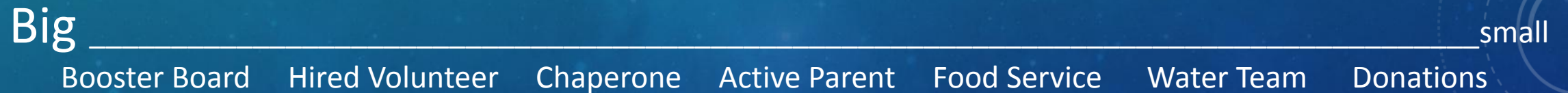
Flip folder: Winds



Parent Help - Boosters

- Wildcat Band Boosters
 - Trisha Kirby and Friends

Get involved - Big to Small



FINAL TIPS

- 15 minutes of practice a day (no “0 days”)
- Stretch at least a little every day
- Consider at-home workouts, lots of great options available!
- Reach out to me! steve.quintana@gilbertschools.net
- Contact Boosters! Trisha Kirby (President)
- Like our facebook page “MHS Wildcat Band Fans”
- Follow the Instagram “wildcat_bands”
- Connect

2023-24 Field Show

Darkness There and Nothing More

Version 1 Music, Wind Technique Books, and all movement recordings will be posted in New Google Classroom, infinite campus, Band App.