LAWRENCE NORTH HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

2016-2017 Student/Parent Handbook



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LN Band Communication and Information CONTACT US AND STAY CONNECTED

WEBSITE: For information about all performing arts activities and events, including performances and rehearsal schedules, itineraries, forms, fundraisers and volunteer opportunities go to: www.LNband.com

E-MAIL LIST SERVES: There are links on www.LNband.com to enroll for our List Serve recipient lists:

<u>LN Band</u>: For ALL LN band students and families. Receive ALL Lawrence North band related information, updates and the weekly newsletter.

<u>Marching Pride</u>: For all MPLT students and families. Receive the weekly newsletter and current information during the marching season. (Also sign up for the LN Band list serve to get full information.)

<u>LT Winter Percussion</u>: For all LTWP students and families. Receive weekly winter percussion newsletters and updates from the combined LTWP list serve during the winter percussion season. (Also sign up for the LN Band list serve to get full information.)

Throughout the year the list serves are the primary method of communication that the Band utilizes to provide important time-sensitive information about upcoming events and activities.

WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND STUDENTS TO SIGN UP FOR THE LIST SERVES.

TWITTER: Follow us on Twitter for band program highlights. www.twitter.com/LNband

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP (CERVIS for Volunteering and Fundraising): On the LN Band website, www.LNband.com, click the CERVIS link in the top right corner of the homepage or go to http://lnband.com/event_registration.html. Follow the "Sign-Up Procedure" to create your account. Browse our many fundraising and volunteer opportunities and select the ones you'd like to participate in. Raise money for our band and/or your student's account. You'll receive a detailed itinerary of the events you've selected and e-mail reminders.

Contact us if you have questions:

Performing Arts Administrative Assistant: Alison Goller alisongoller@msdlt.k12.in.us, 317-964-7951

Our School: Lawrence North High School, 7802 Hague Road, Indianapolis, IN 46256

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Our Performing Groups Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Pep Band. Combined

Lawrence Township Marching Band, Percussion Ensemble, Color Guard & Winter Guard

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND HISTORY

The newly combined **Marching Pride of Lawrence Township** has combined the musical talents of Lawrence North and Lawrence Central High School marching bands. They were a 2015 & 2016 ISSMA State Finalist and a 2015 Bands of America Grand National Finalist.

Lawrence Township Winter Percussion was the 2016 State Champion in the IPA Scholastic Marching Open Class (PSO) and WGI National Finalist, and 2015 State Runner-up in the IPA Scholastic Marching Open Class (PSO).

Lawrence Township Winter Guard was a state finalist in IHSCGA Open Class in their 2015 and 2016 seasons.

LN's former Marching Band, *The Regime*, brought home 4 Indiana State Championship Titles, 3 Indiana State Runner-Up Titles, 2 Midwest Championships and 5 times ranked in the Nation's "Top Ten" Bands with over 50 Invitational Championships.

LN's Wind Ensemble is consistently rated among the state's best earning *With Distinction* honors at ISSMA organizational competitions.

LN's Wind Ensemble & Concert Bands have won over 100 Gold awards from state ISSMA competition, nationally based "Heritage Music Festivals" in Nashville, Gatlinburg, St. Louis, Cincinnati, & Chicago, and the regional "Music in the Parks" festivals in Cincinnati's Kings Island & Louisville's Kentucky Kingdom.

LN's Pep Band was named "State's Best" and is always a crowd favorite.

LN's Jazz Bands have won honors recognition at festivals including multiple regional Music Festivals, Terre Haute South, Ft. Wayne Northside, Ft. Wayne Elmhurst, Ft. Wayne Northrop, Perry Meridian, Mt. Vernon, Ball State, Indiana State, & Purdue Universities.

LN Band Students consistently bring home over 100 Gold & Silver Medals annually from District and State Solo & Ensemble competitions; earn positions in All State band, orchestra & percussion ensemble, university honor bands, New World Youth Orchestra, Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra's side by side program, and many community concert and jazz performing organizations.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES - TRIPS & TRAVEL

Disney's Magic Kingdom, Epcot Center, MGM Studios – 2015, 2010, 2006, 1996, 1992, 1988
Hawaiian performances, multiple islands – 2014, 2002, 1998, 1994, 1990
New York City, Central Park Performance – 2012
Gettysburg, Philadelphia – 2012

Bahamas Cruise - 2010, 2000, 1996

 $\textbf{Bowl Games of America's Sugar Bowl -} \ \textbf{Halftime Performance \& Competition -} \ \textbf{2008}$

NCAA Final Four Basketball Band - 2006, 2000, 1991

Bowl Games of America's Fiesta Bowl - Festival Parade and Competition - 2003

Pan-Am Games Opening Ceremonies - Featured Band- 1987

Olympic Basketball Trials - 1984

National Sports Festival Featured Band - 1982

Opening Ceremony White Water Games - Color Guard Special Performance

Opening Ceremony Bob Hope Show - Color Guard Special Performance

Colts Cheerleader - Holiday Halftime, Color Guard Special Performance

Indianapolis 500 Parade Race Driver's Honor Guard - Color Guard Special Performance

Opening Ceremony International Violin Competition - Color Guard Special Performance

Numerous Concert & Jazz Festival trips to Midwestern Cities including:

Chicago, St. Louis, Nashville, Gatlinburg, Cincinnati & Louisville

LNHS PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT 2016-2017 CALENDAR

Each *band concert* will require 4 outside school day rehearsals prior to the performance, consisting of 3 regular rehearsals in the band room and 1 tech rehearsal in the auditorium. ISSMA Contest will require 5 additional rehearsals. Each band rehearsal is worth 100 points in the practice category of a student's grade and each band performance is worth 200 points in the performance category of the student's grade. Please read conflict information (on the following page) if you have a need to request an excused absence for part, or all, of a rehearsal.

| DATE | EVENT | TIME | LOCATION |
|---------------------------------|---|---------|------------------------------|
| Friday, September 09, 2016 | Homecoming Football | 7:00 PM | Stadium |
| Tuesday, October 04, 2016 | MPLT Side By Side Concert with FCV & BMS | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Wednesday, October 05, 2016 | Orchestra Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Friday, October 07, 2016 | Senior Night Football | 7:00 PM | Stadium |
| Saturday, October 22, 2016 | Choir Side By Side with FCV | all day | Auditorium/Cafeteria |
| Friday, November 11, 2016 | Fall Musical | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Saturday, November 12, 2016 | Fall Musical | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Tuesday, November 15, 2016 | Band MPLT Awards | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Wednesday, November 16, 2016 | Percussion Concert | 7:00 PM | Little Theater |
| Thursday, November 17, 2016 | Dance Recital | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Thursday, December 01, 2016 | Jazz Dance Concert | 7:00 PM | Little Theater |
| Wednesday, December 07, 2016 | Orchestra Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Thursday, December 08, 2016 | Band Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Friday, December 16, 2016 | Choir Winter Wonderland Performance | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Wednesday, February 01, 2017 | Band Pops Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Saturday, January 28, 2017 | ISSMA District Solo & Ensemble, Vocal/Piano | all day | TBA |
| Wednesday, February 08, 2017 | Orchestra Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Saturday, February 04, 2017 | ISSMA District Solo & Ensemble, Wind/Perc/Strings | all day | TBA |
| Thursday, February 23, 2017 | Choir Competition Preview Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Saturday, February 18, 2017 | ISSMA State Solo & Ensemble, Vocal/Piano | all day | TBA |
| Saturday, February 25, 2017 | ISSMA State Solo & Ensemble, Wind/Perc/Strings | all day | TBA |
| Friday, April 07, 2017 | Spring Play | 7:00 PM | Little Theater |
| Saturday, April 08, 2017 | Spring Play | 7:00 PM | Little Theater |
| Wednesday, April 12, 2017 | Band Contest Preview Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Wednesday, April 19, 2017 | Orchestra Contest Preview Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| 4/20/17 - 4/23/17 | WGI Percussion Competition | | Dayton, OH |
| Friday, April 21, 2017 | ISSMA Organization Contest | all day | TBA |
| Saturday, April 22, 2017 | ISSMA Organization Contest | all day | TBA |
| Thursday, April 27, 2017 | Dance Recital | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Friday, April 28, 2017 | Dance Recital | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Saturday, April 29, 2017 | ISSMA State Qualification | all day | TBA |
| Tuesday, May 02, 2017 | Drama - Production Showcase | 7:00 PM | Little Theater |
| Thursday, May 04, 2017 | Jazz Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Saturday, May 06, 2017 | ISSMA State Concert Finals | all day | TBA |
| Wednesday, May 10, 2017 | Percussion Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Wednesday, May 17, 2017 | Band/Orchestra Award Banquet | 5:30 PM | Cafeteria/ Little Theater |
| Friday, May 19, 2017 | Choir Concert | 7:00 PM | Auditorium |
| Thursday, June 08, 2017 | BAND/CHOIR COMMENCEMENT | ТВА | Indiana Farmer's Coliseum |
| Friday, June 16, 2017 | Band Rummage Sale set up | all day | Field House |
| Saturday, June 17, 2017 | Band Rummage Sale | all day | Field House |

REHEARSAL CONFLICT POLICY

Extra/Co-Curricular Participation Conflicts - If a student participates in more than one school activity, it is the student's responsibility to compare both schedules carefully. The music and athletic departments have agreed that students will split overlapping practice time between the two activities when practices conflict; however, if too many conflicts exist, the student should not participate in the activities which take place during the same season (i.e. football & marching band). The band program will go the extra mile in trying to work with our band athletes while they are in season with athletic teams to be sure they are able to participate fully in our performing groups. Please inform us when you have concerns. When conflicts are not excessive, it is the student's responsibility to inform both parties as early as possible. Performance conflicts will be resolved by adhering to Lawrence North High School's Extra-curricular Conflict Policy. This policy is printed in the LNHS Student Handbook. Please submit a Request for Excused Absence Form well in advance of absence. Parent signature required. Directors will determine if the absence is excused, excused with make-up, or unexcused.

Request for Excused Absence Form is available in the band room, at www.lnband.com and at the back of this handbook. Please complete all information on the form and give to the Director a minimum of 10 days before the conflict date.

ADDITIONAL BAND OPPORTUNITIES

- Marching Pride of Lawrence Township (MPLT) is the combined Marching Band for Lawrence North and Lawrence Central High Schools. Students learn challenging music, teamwork and gain leadership skills. MPLT members perform at football games at LN and LC, travel and compete in invitational, state and national competitions during their fall season. MPLT registration forms and calendar are available in May.
- **Pep Band** performs at selected home basketball games and pep rallies. Even though the purpose of the band is to have fun, we take the quality of our music very seriously. Students are expected to prepare music at home and attend practices. **Pep Band registration forms and calendar are available in October.**
- LT Winter Percussion Ensemble performs at Indiana Percussion Association (IPA) contests, state prelims and state finals.

 LT Winter Percussion registration forms and calendar are available in November.
- LT Winter Guard performs at Indiana High School Color Guard Association (IHSCGA) contests, state prelims and state finals. LT Winter Guard registration forms and calendar are available in November.
- **Musical Production Pit Orchestra** provides the musical accompaniment for the LNHS Drama department's musical performance. Audition information will be made available depending on the scheduling of the musical.
- **Show Band** provides the musical accompaniment for the LNHS Choir department's Show Choir during their season and performances.
- **Symphony Orchestra** is a combination ensemble for the top string, wind and percussion students. They will perform at LNHS concerts and ISSMA Organizational or State Qualifying Contest in April or May.
- Indiana State Schools Music Association (ISSMA) Solo and Ensemble is a voluntary, but highly recommended judged performance opportunity for all band students. District Contest is in January or February and State Contest is in February or March for those students who attain a gold rating in level 1 performance at District. Registration forms and dates are available in November.
- <u>Private Lessons</u> are an ongoing and highly encouraged opportunity for students to gain skills to advance to the next level. The interest form is available in the band room, at <u>www.lnband.com</u> and at the back of this handbook.
- **Commencement Band** performs at the LNHS Commencement ceremony. Performers include current Wind Ensemble members, Symphonic Band members and advanced Percussion members. Our graduating seniors do not participate in this ensemble. **Times will be announced as soon as they are available.**

BAND GRADING POLICY

A student's band grade is based upon playing level, effort, practice, performance, attendance, punctuality, attitude, and behavior. All scheduled rehearsals and performances are important, required of all members, and included in student's performance points. Please place all dates on your home calendar. If a student also participates on a Lawrence North High School athletic or academic team, please compare both schedules carefully and inform both coach and band director as early as possible in order to work out a solution without penalizing the student. Each band member is critical to the success of every performance. See school conflict policy in the LNHS student handbook.

Students in the Lawrence North High School band program will be graded on a 100% scale. Each student in band will earn a maximum of 100 percentage points each nine week grading period from separate categories with the opportunity to earn extra credit. Letter grades will be determined using the following LNHS/MSDLT point breaks:

| A+ | 98-100+ | Α | 93-97 | A- | 90-92 |
|----|---------|---|-------|----|-------|
| B+ | 87- 89 | В | 83-86 | B- | 80-82 |
| C+ | 77- 79 | C | 73-76 | C- | 70-72 |
| D+ | 67- 69 | D | 63-66 | D- | 60-62 |

Evaluation Categories

<u>25 Percent – Classroom Participation</u> – Includes the students' ability to organize, prepare and positively influence the daily rehearsal through positive attitude, sustained focus, consistent work ethic and respect for facility, equipment, peers and instructors. Unexcused class absence and frequent tardiness is reflected in this portion of student's score.

<u>25 Percent – Tests</u> – This includes performance based music assessment and/or chair auditions; assessed live, submitted using Chromebook recordings or using SmartMusic® software. **

20 Percent - Practice - Attendance and work ethic at out of school practices

20 Percent – Performance - Includes attendance, concert etiquette and proper concert dress at performances.

10 Percent – Quizzes – This includes short/brief musical skills assessment; live or written assignments.

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Bonus Credit - A student may earn up to 10 percent extra credit each grading period by taking private lessons, attending band concerts or recitals, participating in clinics or music camps, performing in community organizations, doing service work for the band program, or by doing research in a director guided project relating to band curriculum. These points are added to a student's point total with no penalty to a student who does not participate in bonus activities. See bonus credit form at back of handbook. Bonus forms must be signed by parent or private instructor and turned in by the last Tuesday/Wednesday of each grading period to earn credit.

Semester Exam – Semester exams will be given to all students. Exams may include:

- The performance of the 12 major scales (snare rudiments included for percussionists) and full range chromatics for their individual instrument at a tempo appropriate to each level band and/or an individual or group performance project.
- 2. A written test covering vocabulary, basic theory, rhythmic counting and a written essay describing, comparing and/or analyzing music appropriate to each level band.
- 3. A culminating portfolio of hand outs, programs and written exercises as assigned throughout the semester/year.
- 4. A solo, small group, or full band performance and/or culminating project.

The semester exam grade will be averaged with student's two nine week grades in determining the student's semester grade. Semester exam weight will be 10%. Semester grades only are used to calculate Lawrence North High School grade point average and class rank.

UNIFORMS AND APPEARANCE

Uniform Rental for Marching Band and Color Guard: Please refer to the *Marching Pride* Handbook.

- Wind Ensemble & Symphonic Band: Girls wear formal dresses and boys wear tux ensembles (fitted by, and purchased through band department). Wind Ensemble boys also wear tux jackets (purchased or rented through band department). Any accessories (shoes, belts, socks, hair accessories) MUST be black. Uniform fittings take place during September for all concert bands. Purchased formal wear is received in October. Student accounts will be charged at that time.
- **Concert Band:** Students have the option to purchase the same formal wear as the Symphonic Band (see above) or may choose to wear all black attire (black pants or skirts and black shirts). Any accessories (shoes, belts, socks, hair accessories) MUST be black.
- **Student Responsibility:** It is the responsibility of each student to keep his/her performance attire and accessories **clean**, **neatly hung up and properly stored**. Concert attire must be kept at home. School owned items must be returned at the end of each school year. Loss of or damage of concert attire is the student's responsibility.
- **Alterations:** No alterations to school owned (rented) tux jackets may be made without prior approval from the uniform coordinator or band director. **Alterations to student owned concert wear are the student's responsibility.**
- **Cleaning:** Bulk cleaning for **school owned** tux jackets will be provided at the end of each season. Cleaning of student owned attire is the student's responsibility.

Pep Band Shirts: Orders for a Pep Band performance shirt will be taken at the time students sign up for this opportunity.

Letter Jackets: Wool athletic style LN coats with leather or wool sleeves and graduation year numerals may be purchased at Webster's Sporting Goods in Castleton. This coat is not a uniform requirement; however, many students wish to display their band letter and awards patches when earned.

Hair: For concert groups, hair should be fixed in a manner appropriate for a formal concert.

Jewelry: Subtle gold or silver jewelry is acceptable for performances, please no colors.

Make-up: Light make-up is allowed.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Running a state level competitive band program is very expensive. Our program is funded by three main sources:

- 1) Student dues and user fees
- 2) MSD Lawrence Township and Lawrence North High School
- 3) General fund raisers sponsored by the LNHS Band Boosters

Prompt payment of student fees and volunteering for general fundraisers and service events will ensure the continuation of our award winning program at LN. If you have a need for an alternative payment plan please contact the band office in writing to provide the dates and payments you wish to make. Please make every attempt to complete payments as soon as you are able. Fundraising opportunities and/or scholarships are available. We want to work with you to allow all students to participate fully in the LNHS band program

Scholarships: Sibling or financial need scholarships are available for qualifying families. See the Financial Assistance Application at the back of the handbook for more information. If a band student qualifies for LNHS school text book and/or lunch assistance, he/she also qualifies for band fee assistance. Our band booster organization will pay a portion of a student's fees, provided the student pays or fund-raises the remaining balance. To receive assistance, paper work must be on file with the LNHS treasurer and a request using the Financial Assistance Application form must be given to the Performing Arts Secretary. This form must be re-submitted by October of each school year, in order to ensure that the appropriate scholarship discounts are applied. Assistance WILL NOT be awarded retroactively. Be sure to submit your application each school year.

PERFORMANCE FEES:

<u>Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Percussion Classes,</u> <u>Pep Band and Jazz Band</u>

Each LN student musician is asked to pay, or fundraise, a yearly budget fee to help support the cost of a successful competitive band program. This fee covers concert and festival music, classroom supplies, competition fees, transportation costs (buses and trucks), special guest artists, instructors and/or clinicians, and band "service" letters, awards and recognitions. This annual fee is due as follows:

| Organization | Fee | Due Date | Contributes to: |
|--------------------|---------|-----------------|--|
| Concert Band | \$60.00 | February 15 | Annual Performance Fee |
| Symphonic Band | \$60.00 | February 15 | Annual Performance Fee |
| Wind Ensemble | \$60.00 | February 15 | Annual Performance Fee |
| Percussion Classes | \$60.00 | February 15 | Annual Performance Fee |
| Pep Band | \$20.00 | November 15 | Annual Performance Fee (Shirt & Music) |
| Jazz Band | \$30.00 | September 15 | Clinician Fee |
| Jazz Band | \$30.00 | February 15 | Annual Performance Fee |

NOTE: There is a \$30/year book rental fee paid to the Lawrence North bookstore which covers all band method books, folders, warm-up materials and sheet music used in all classes. This is separate from the performance fees listed above which are paid to LN Band.

An OPTIONAL SmartMusic® home/personal subscription is available for approximately \$40/year and is also available at no charge on computers in the band room for students to practice and use for playing tests/assessments. For more information about SmartMusic®, go to www.smartmusic.com or contact your band director.

Marching Band/Winter Percussion/Winter Guard

Please refer to the *Marching Pride of Lawrence Township*, *LT Winter Percussion* and *LT Winter Guard* handbooks for details.

Fees will be assessed for those students wishing to participate in the combined Lawrence Township Marching Band, Winter Percussion Ensemble or Winter Guard programs, to cover music, choreography, staff, and contest entry fees. More information on schedules and fees will be determined for each performance season. Please check www.LNband.com for updated information.

RENTAL FEES & RESPONSIBILITY School Owned Instruments

Use of school-owned instruments: All students regularly using school owned instruments must pay, or fundraise, a maintenance fee of \$50.00 per semester. Students will pay **only one fee** if they are **required** to perform on multiple instruments or pieces of equipment such as French horn/mellophone, euphonium/baritone/tuba etc. Use of a school instrument during the summer is included in the fall fee.

Fees are due as follows:

Instrument Rental Due Date Contributes to:

\$100.00 annually \$50 September 15 Maintenance and Repair \$50 January 15 Maintenance and Repair

Instrument Care - Student fees pay for routine repair from <u>normal and proper</u> usage of instruments. Instrument rental fees will be used for regular professional cleaning and inspection of all school instruments. Wind Ensemble students will be expected to play quality instruments. Instruments may be owned by the student or rented from the LNHS Band Department. <u>Students are responsible for any and all damage cause by improper usage and/or carelessness.</u>

Payments

All payments for fees, fundraisers or purchases should be made payable to LN Band and can be placed in the drop-box in the band room, given to Alison Goller in the Performing Arts Office or mailed to the address below. Please put your student's name and the reason for the payment in the memo line of the check or the "company" line for online credit card payments.

CHECKS (Payable to LN BAND) mailed to:

Lawrence North HS Band Attn. Alison Goller 7802 N. Hague Road Indianapolis, IN 46256 **CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS:**

<u>Pay Fees</u> link at: <u>www.LNband.com/fees.php</u> or call Alison Goller at 317 964-7951

Concert Admission

Admittance to band concerts will remain free. Please invite friends and family to all performances.

Exception: Concert tickets may be sold when guest artists perform with the bands, due to the higher cost of the event or when used as a special fundraiser.

STUDENT ACCOUNTS & FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

Student Account Management: Each band and color guard student has a student account with the LN Band Boosters to maintain a record of all fees, fundraiser credits and payments during their participation in the program. Monthly statements will be sent **via email** and will include a full listing of financial activity on your account. It is recommended that fees be paid on time so that student fundraising opportunities may be applied entirely to future expenses or trips. If no designation is given, all payments made to student accounts will be applied to the OLDEST carried balance on the account. **ALL fees must be paid in full before students can participate in future extra-curricular activities or in overnight trips.**

Fundraisers: LN Band Boosters provide many fundraising and service opportunities for families to participate in to reduce current or future band fees, required band expenses, or band travel. Money may also be used for band related expenses including private lessons, instrument purchase and repair, and band camps/clinics. Any money remaining in this account at the time the student leaves the LN Band program can be held for siblings entering into the program or can be designated to support specific aspects of the band program (e.g. the Scholarship Fund). Money will NOT be refunded to the student or to their families. Families may elect to pay fees when due and choose not to participate in Student Account fundraisers, but are still strongly encouraged to participate in General Fund Service events. In particular, all parents and students are expected to help with our two largest fundraisers – Breakfast Sales and the annual Rummage Sale.

Student fees cover only a portion of the actual expenses incurred by LNHS in providing the highest quality and most diverse music experience possible. **General Fund service events are critical to keeping student fees down** and pay for many special events and long-term projects necessary to assure the continued growth of the LN Band program.

Fundraisers to Reduce Your Fees & Support Our Bands

Examples of fundraisers are listed in the following table. Other opportunities for fundraising may also be introduced during the year.

Timeframe: **Opportunity:** Credit to: Scrip Gift Card Sale Year Round Student Account Year Round **General Fund** Kroger MP3 Fundraising Events Year Round Student Account **Breakfast Sales** Full School Year General Fund/Student Account Rummage Sale (2 days) **General Fund** June Fall & Winter General Fund/Student Account LN Concessions Butter Braids/Coffee Sale October Student Account November Student Account

Holiday Wreath Sale
Candy Bar Sale
November
Student Account
March
Student Account
Stutz Artist Center Open House
April
Student Account
Student Account

Information on all fundraisers will be handed out during band class, at Booster parent meetings and will be posted at www.lnband.com. Check the CERVIS link frequently to see new and updated positions.

PARENT BAND BOOSTER INFORMATION

If you have a student in any band class, you are a band booster! Join us to discuss upcoming events and committee needs. Learn about upcoming fundraisers, have a forum to offer input, get to know other parents.

Band Booster Meeting Dates

Meetings scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month (**unless otherwise noted) and are open for all band parents to attend. Meetings start at 7:00 PM in the Band Room (157). Special meetings may be called as needed.

Tuesday August 9, 2016 Tuesday October 11, 2016 Tuesday January 10, 2017

Tuesday February 7, 2017** 1st Tuesday

Tuesday March 14, 2017 Nominate new board members
Tuesday April 11, 2017 Vote on new board members

Tuesday May 9, 2017 Last meeting of the year, new board takes over

Wednesday, May 17, 2017 Band/Orchestra Awards Banquet

Band Booster Officers

| President: | Wendy Manubay | cilladog@prodigy.net | 446-2859 |
|----------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------|
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| Co-Treasurer: | Janelle Wilson | janelle.wilson8971bp@comcast.net | 628-3859 |
| Co-Treasurer: | Gordon Burgin | gburgin@comcast.net | 694-7335 |
| Secretary: | Marie Crittenden | marieac72561@gmail.com | 213-3573 |

Parent Committees & Activities

Band booster activities are a great way to support the Lawrence North High School Bands while making friends and having fun! The **Number 1** activity is attending as many band performances, concerts, festivals, games and contests, as possible. Watching and cheering on our awesome kids is a great opportunity for you to interact with other band parents while supporting your students and the LNHS Band program.

Create Your Volunteer Account

Go to the LN Band home page at www.lnband.com, click CERVIS in the top right hand corner to create your volunteer account. Browse our many fundraising and volunteer opportunities and select the ones you'd like to participate in. Raise money for our band and/or your student's account. You'll receive a detailed itinerary of the events you've selected as well as e-mail reminders of what you have signed up for.

Your students & the LN band program appreciate your support!

Join the LN Band List Serves for E-Newsletters and Updates

There are links to three List Serves on the www.lnband.com website:

<u>LN Band</u>- For ALL band students and families: Receive the weekly e-mail newsletter, updates about current events, concerts, fundraising and volunteer opportunities and the latest and greatest goings on in our band program.

<u>Marching Pride</u> - For all marching band students and families: Receive marching band newsletters and updates from the combined *Marching Pride of Lawrence Township* list serve during the marching season.

<u>LT Winter Percussion</u> – For all LTWP students and families: Receive winter percussion newsletters and updates from the combined *LTWP* list serve during the winter percussion season.

Band Booster Volunteer Opportunities

CONTACT ANY BOOSTER BOARD MEMBER FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Breakfast Sales: Sell breakfast food items in *The Commons* area at LN each morning that school is in session (7:50-9:05 am). This fund helps keeps student fees down and pays for many special events.

Chaperones: Supervise any of our performing groups when they travel. Responsibilities include accompanying the group, taking attendance, helping the kids get ready if needed, and most importantly – cheering them on!

Decorations: Coordinate or assist with decorating for concerts, the band banquet, or other band celebrations.

Fundraising: Coordinate or assist with one or more of our fundraising efforts. These include but are not limited to; wreath sales, butter braid sales, spirit nights, concessions, breakfast sales, and the rummage sale.

SCRIP: Purchase gift cards and a percentage of every purchase goes to your student account.

Spirit Nights: Coordinate restaurant fundraisers to raise money for our general fund and to make LN Bands visible in our community!

Publicity/Photography: Prepare stories about band accomplishments, put together videos for recruitment/publicity purposes or take photos and video through the year for the website and recruiting.

Recruitment: Help the directors recruit at LN Open Houses and at Fall Creek Valley Middle School, to increase involvement in band.

Road Crew/Sets/Props: Coordinate or be a part of this group who assists our groups when they travel. Help load and move instruments/equipment for performances. Help build props, paint, repair, etc.

Rummage Sale: Coordinate or assist with the annual June rummage sale.

Student Support: Coordinate or assist with various social events for the students, including the fall hayride and end of the year banquet and celebration.

Uniforms: Help issue concert band uniforms, size the students, and prepare for dry cleaning as necessary.

LNHS BAND CODE OF CONDUCT

- Each member shall put the good of the group first and foremost.
- Each member shall accept responsibility for the care of all equipment. Negligence shall result in financial accountability.
- Each member shall obey the specific guidelines set forth for each activity as given to him by the directors and/or parent supervisors.
- Each member shall be a good citizen at all times, displaying honesty, self-discipline, courtesy, responsibility, and respect for self, peers, student leaders, chaperones, parent volunteers, drivers, staff, directors, and property.
- Each member shall strive to be a positive influence in all he/she does, representing the activity, school, Lawrence Township and community with pride and dignity.
- Each member shall refrain from the use of profanity.
- No member shall participate in any unlawful act. These shall include, but are not limited to, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, gambling, theft, forgery, vandalism, assault, hazing, and/or harassment.
- Each individual member shall comply with standards set forth in the Band handbook, school rules & MSDLT board policies. Violation is subject to disciplinary action and/or dismissal from the band program as determined by the appropriate school officials.

LNHS BAND STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION (Required Form)

2016-2017 School Year

STUDENT INFORMATION: Name: (Last) ______ Grad Year (Class of): _____ Home Phone: (Area) _____/____ Cell Phone: (Area) _____/____ Student Email Address: _______ Street Address: City: _____ Zip: _____ Concert Instrument: _____ Marching/Pep Inst.: ALL band account statements will be sent via EMAIL. At Least ONE email address is necessary for student account billing. **PARENT 1 INFORMATION:** Name: (First) _____ (Last) _____ Work Phone: (Area) _____/___ Cell Phone: (Area) _____/__ Email Address: [] Please send my statements to this email address. **PARENT 2 INFORMATION** Name: (First) _____ (Last) _____ Work Phone: (Area) / Cell Phone: (Area) _____/___

[] Please send my statements to this email address.

OVER - Both Sides Must Be Completed

9/8/2016

Email Address: _____

LNHS BAND STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION (Required Form) 2016-2017 School Year

| STUDENT: Name: (Last) | (First) | Grad Year: |
|--|--|--|
| Birth Date: | | |
| PARENT(S) NAME: Parent 1: | Parent 2: | |
| Primary Phone #:/ | Secondary Phone#: _ | |
| EMERGENCY CONTACT: (other than parents) | | Phone:/ |
| DOCTOR'S NAME: | Phone: _ | |
| Hospital Preference: | Date of L | ast Tetanus Shot: |
| DENTIST'S NAME: | Phone: | J |
| Does the student have any of the following heal | th conditions? | |
| Allergies: (Food/Drug/Bees/Other) | What happe | ens: |
| Is emergency medication used? Yes / No | Medication: | |
| Asthma: Is an inhaler used? Yes / No | Medication: | |
| Triggered by: | | |
| Diabetes: Takes Insulin? Yes / No E | Blood sugar checked at so | chool? Yes / No |
| Bone/Joint problems: Describe: | Any phys | sical restrictions? |
| Seizures: Describe: | | |
| | | |
| Heart Condition: Describe: | | |
| | | |
| Other: Describe: | | |
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| AUTHORIZATION FOR PAR I have received the LNHS band handbook and ur Band program. Furthermore, I have read and ur of Lawrence North High School at all times both We (I) hereby authorize any school staff membe Band, Indianapolis, Indiana to obtain emergency he/she is practicing or traveling with the Lawren staff member or adult chaperone to give my son ibuprofen, acetaminophen, etc. upon reasonable | nderstand all information and off campus when on and off campus when or adult chaperone transmedical treatment/host ice North High School Bay/daughter non-prescripton | n associated with being a member of the LNH of the Code of Conduct and will adhere to the rule of participating in a band related activity. I weling with the Lawrence North High School pitalization for our/my son/daughter while and. I/We also give permission for any school |
| Student Signature: | | Date: |
| Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: | | Date: |

LNHS BAND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FORM

2016-2017 School Year

Please Print or Type: Student: (Last) Grad Year Parents: (Parent 1) _____ (Parent 2) _____ Family Home Phone: Cell Phone: ____ Parent 1 Email: _____ Parent 2 Email: _____ Cell Phone: Zip: _____ Please check the form of assistance you are applying for (ONLY ONE form of assistance will be awarded): () **Financial Assistance** If a band student qualifies for LNHS school text book and/or lunch assistance, he/she also may also qualify for band fee assistance. The band boosters will pay 30% of the MPLT, LTWG or LTWP fee and 50% of a student's performance/class fee and instrument/equipment rental fee provided student pays or fund-raises the remaining balance during the semester in which the activity takes place. (Eligibility will be verified through the LNHS Treasurer in October.) To receive LNHS Band Financial Assistance: -This Financial Assistance Application form must be on record with the Performing Arts Secretary. -Timely payments/fundraising credits must be applied to student account balance throughout the season. - Parent and student participation in fundraising and volunteer opportunities. - Text book/reduced lunch application must be on file with the LNHS treasurer (forms can be obtained from the LNHS treasurer, Pearl McQueenie. If you do not have this form or need assistance in filling it out please contact Mrs. McQueenie at pearlmcqueenie@msdlt.k12.in.us or 964-7770.) () Sibling Reduced Fee Assistance (List siblings below – one form per family.) If two or more students from the same family participate in marching band or a winter activity, each student will receive a 15% reduction in fees. Performance/class fees will be reduced by 30%. Siblings: (Last) _____ Grad Year _____ Siblings: (Last) _____ Grad Year _____ Siblings: (Last) _____ Grad Year _____ I understand that I must fill out an LN Financial Assistance Application Form for EACH SCHOOL YEAR that I wish to apply for assistance. I further understand that scholarships WILL NOT be awarded retroactively.

Parent Signature: ______ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

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Student Signature: _____

STUDENT ACCOUNT USE FORM – LNHS BAND

* NO FORM IS NEEDED FOR CLASS AND ENSEMBLE FEES *

| Student: (Last) | | (First) | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Date: | | | | |
| When a student has a surp used to pay for approved b fees, band trips, band CD's | and needs such as private | e lessons, band clothing, i | | draising activities, it may be essories, solo & ensemble |
| | oe approved for items or n | · | relate to the s | student's curricular |
| • Individuals may no | t be reimbursed for purcl | hases from student accou | nts. | |
| | n an individual student acc atically into the "LN Band | | nt leaves the L | NHS band program <u>will be</u> |
| INSTRUCTIONS: Director approved purchas 1. Please list below what yo 2. Include ALL information 3. A parent signature is neo 4. Give completed form to | ou wish to use student acc needed to finalize purcha cessary to complete a pay | count money for; be specise. ment. | fic. | |
| Total Am | nount to Charge my | Student Account: | \$ | |
| Item 1: | | Am | ount \$ | |
| Made Payable (if needed) to: | Address: | City: | State: | Zip: |
| Item 2: | | Δm | ount \$ | |
| Made Payable (if needed) | | | June 9 | |
| to: | Address: | City: | State: | Zip: |
| Item 3: | | Am | ount \$ | |
| Made Payable (if needed) to: | | | | |
| Item 4: | | Am | ount \$ | |
| Made Payable (if needed) to: | Address: | City: | State: | Zip: |
| Parent Signature: | | | Date: | |
| Director Approval: | | | Date: | |
| Office Use Only: Date of | | _ Student received:(if | | SA Charged: |

EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUEST FORM - LNHS BAND

* MUST BE TURNED IN A MINIMUM OF 10 SCHOOL DAYS BEFORE CONFLICT DATE *

| Name: (Last) | | _ (First) | | |
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| Band: | Instrument: | Phone: | | |
| Requests for pre-arranged abser given at the last minute except i date. Be specific when stating th attempt to arrange your schedul schedule that includes new mate reason to miss practice. Band so schedules and/or doctor's appoir | nd practice you miss, or wish to miss, nees should be filed as soon as a confinemergency situations. Please turn to e reason for your absence and include to attend all practices and resolve crial and/or changes at each rehearsal, hedules are set very early to allow stuntments. Thank you for supporting you anaging their team calendar. All performs | lict is identified and will rarely be ex- in requests a minimum of ten (10) so e enough information for a decision to onflicts whenever possible. We have A student's work schedule is not co idents the necessary time to arrange our son/daughter in a great youth acti | cused when hool days be to be made. I a progressivensidered an other activit vity and plea | notice is fore conflict Please e rehearsal excusable ies, work se help |
| We try to be flexible when early s sessions of band camp and all reg | narching band - band camp practices (summer vacations or camps create ungular season practices to keep his/her nticipate any conflicts during this criti | avoidable conflicts; however, a stude position in the Lawrence North Marc | nt must atte | nd all |
| Date(s) of absence: | | Total hours missed: _ | | |
| State reason(s) for absence - Ple | ase be specific – List team & coach's | name when conflict is for LNHS sport | s practice: | |
| Parent Signature: | | Date: | | |
| (For Director Use Only) | | | | |
| Date request received: | | Emergency Situation: | YES | NO |
| () Request approved – No make | e-up necessary | | | |
| () Request approved – Make up | required (Due one week from date a | ssigned) | | |
| Make up assignment wil | l be: | | | |
| | I not receive credit for time missed | | | |
| Director Signature: | | Date: | | |

BONUS CREDIT REQUEST FORM – LNHS BANDS

Due the last Wednesday of each nine weeks grading period

Name: (Last) ______ Band Period: _____

| concerts or recitals, participation in serv curriculum. These ponus activities. Bo else) signature must | participating in clinics or mice activities for the band points are added to a stude nus form with private lesson | h nine weeks period by taking private lessons, attending community band nusic camps, performing in church or community organizations, program, or by doing research in a director guided project relating to band ent's point total with no penalty to a student who does not participate in on teacher (for lessons), director (for research project) or parent (for all uesday/Wednesday of each six weeks grading period to earn credit. Bonus x week's term. |
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| | P | rivate Lesson Bonus Credit |
| Lesson Date | Evaluation | Private Teacher Signature |
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| | Community-Base | ed Bonus Credit – See Above Descriptions |
| Date Earned | List Activity | Parent Signature |
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Director-Guided Research Project

See director early in term to arrange. Project must be completed by bonus credit deadline.