

MAGNOLIA HS BAND NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2023

FALL 2023 – HERE WE GO...YAY Band!

Plans for the 2023-2024 musical year are well underway. This mail-out contains a wealth of information – please keep it handy.

Visit our website www.magnoliahsband.org for all current Band information. Our social media sites include facebook (magnoliahsband), twitter (@magnoliahsband), the band app (magnolia hs band) and of course www.charmsoffice.com (login = magnoliahsband / password = students ID #).

MISD MANDATORY PHYSICAL – every MISD student participating in any extra-curricular activity is required to obtain a physical BEFORE allowed to participate. ALL mandatory files must be updated &/or uploaded on rankonesport.com

SUMMER BAND IS MANDATORY - You must attend ALL rehearsals without interruption. Our summer camp is like 10 weeks of regular rehearsals. We learn essential fundamentals of music & marching AND strive to place a large portion of our drill on the field. Absenteeism slows everyone down! Competitive show spots (VARSITY) are based on attendance and ability.

ATTENDANCE – IS VITAL to our success. To be early is to be on time: if you are on time, you are late! Take full responsibility for your actions. **If you incur an absence, you MUST fill out an absence request form located on the far right side of our website www.magnoliahsband.org**

SHOW MUSIC (“MINDFULL”) - part assignments have been handed to students. If you do not have your show music, please email pbeavers@magnoliaisd.org and it will be emailed to you. Do us all the courtesy and be prepared so we can reach our goals. ALL wind music is on MakeMusic Cloud (Smartmusic). Login info was emailed to 8th grade families on June 8th.

SHOW MUSIC PASS-OFFS – All students are required to “Pass-Off” the show music during the first week of Summer Band (week of July 25th). Varsity marching spots impacted by the completion of this assignment.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP Camp - Congratulations to ALL Student Leaders for the 2023-2024 school year. They will attend the SASI Leadership Camp at Magnolia HS on July 13th & 14th (9am-4pm) in preparation to lead our band.

BAND REGISTRATION & UNIFORM CHECK OUT – Saturday, July 29th from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

8:00-9:30 = fittings for SENIORS. 9:30-12:00 = fittings for FRESHMAN. 12:00-2:00 = fittings for JUNIORS. 2:00-4:00 = fittings for SOPHOMORES. If you cannot make your assigned time, swing by when you can.

Students will obtain a marching uniform, region music, locker, school owned instrument(s), marching gloves, dri-fit shirt, pay band fees, and sign up for private lessons. Band Boosters will be on hand to answer questions and help prepare you for a successful year!

If a student is unable to make the uniform check out day, they will be processed during band camp.

COST: *pay on July 29th or payment plan set with Mr Beavers* \$500* required fair share fee for all students which covers the following: 1 dry-fit t-shirt & 1 show shirt / custom uniform top & shako wrap / 1 MEAL for football games & band competitions (dietary form to be submitted as needed) / water jug & pouch / trip to San Antonio / Color Guard Uniform (Guard students ONLY) / two (2) pair of marching gloves / additional marching techs & teaching staff / additional transportation costs

**\$60 discount given to additional siblings.*

3% Credit Card fee

Checks made payable to MHSBBC

Additional costs include:

DSI VIPER black shoes \$40 + s/h - Required for all. Order online

Instrument Usage Fee \$100 (school owned instruments only)

Guard shoes \$35 approximate

Please note: students are required to purchase spandex type shorts to wear under their marching uniform and a black towel to place their instrument.

SUMMER BAND begins for ALL members (freshman thru seniors) on Monday, July 24th from 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM and runs daily until August 8th (August 7th & 8th = 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM only).

Daily Schedule = 7:00-11:00 am outside / 11:00-12:00 lunch (not provided) / 12:00-4:00 pm inside.

Lastly, please note that percussion & color guard students have rehearsals before July 24th (check band calendar on website).

Summer Band is our most productive time as a band. The worst thing you can do is arrive unprepared or incur an absence.

Mandatory Items to have during summer band camp:
(NOT Provided)

- Your instrument, pencil & mouthpiece.
- Flip Folder / Lyre / 1 inch 3 ring binder / multiple plastic sheet protectors.
- **BLACK Hand towel** – flute, clarinet, alto, trumpet, mellophone, baritone/euphonium.
- **Large BLACK Bath towel** - sousaphone.
- **Batting gloves** for all silver brass instruments.
- Bass Clarinet, Tenor & Bari Saxes instrument stand (provided)
- Sunglasses, hat, sunscreen.
- Light colored sleeveless t-shirts are highly recommended.
- Shorts – comfortable and breathable. **NO JEANS OR LONG PANTS ALLOWED** due to the serious health risk from the summer heat.
- Socks and athletic sneakers – NO sandals, flip-flops, or shoes with a flat sole (ex: converse, etc...)
- **WATER!** You must stay hydrated. You will sweat! NO caffeine or carbonated beverages. Avoid sugar-loaded drinks - Water is best.

FOOD - Eat a healthy meal every morning. Eating a banana each day (potassium) can help avoid muscle cramps. **BRING A LUNCH EVERY DAY** (no eating off campus).

BEHAVE - You are a young adult. The staff is there for your benefit. When you work hard, you will be noticed.

FAMILY CARNIVAL / Marching Showcase – Saturday, August 19th from 5:00-8:00 PM. This is family fun at its best... enjoy! ALL STUDENTS have a rehearsal in Bulldog Stadium from 8:00 am – 11:00 am.

NEW FOR 2023 - FALL BREAK INFORMATION (October) – Please pay special attention to our Fall Break schedule for this school year as this is our first time navigating this kind of break during our fall season. Our rehearsal schedule is as follows...

October 6th = REQUIRED football game @Magnolia West HS
October 7th through October 12 = NO BAND ACTIVITIES
October 13th = Mini-Camp & Football Game (REQUIRED)
Mini-Camp = 10am-4:30pm (Dinner Provided)
Football Game = Home against Fort Bend Kempner
October 14th = Marching Contest All-Day (REQUIRED)

Marching Schedule ONCE SCHOOL BEGINS

3:30 – 5:30 PM Monday = FULL BAND

3:30 – 5:30 PM Tuesday = FULL BAND, NO Guard

3:30 – 5:30 PM Wednesday = GUARD only

3:30 – 6:30 PM Thursday = FULL BAND

Please note, WE WILL rehearse on Mondays even when students do not have school (except Labor Day). This is to provide a consistent NO PRACTICE day for band & guard members in order to schedule doctor's appointments, etc...

The key to a successful school year is COMMUNICATION.

SUMMER BAND CAMP DATES & TIMES

July 13th – 14th = Student Leadership Seminar 9 am – 4 pm

July 13th – 19th = Percussion Camp 8 am – 5 pm (weekdays only)

July 17th – 21st = Color Guard Camp 8 am – 5 pm

July 24th – 28th = Summer Band Camp 7 am – 4 pm

July 29th = Band Registration 8 am – 4 pm (times assigned)

July 31st – Aug. 4th = Summer Band Camp 7 am – 4 pm

Aug 7th & 8th = ½ Band Camp 7 am – 11 am

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“NOTES of INTEREST”

The Magnolia HS Band program enjoyed a productive and artistic 2022-2023 musical season. Our goal moving forward is to continue with that momentum and achieve an even higher level of artistry. Our band won the UIL Area I Marching Championship. In addition, ALL three (3) concert ensembles earned Straight 1st division ratings in UIL concert & sightreading evaluation this spring...YAY Band!

Our school year begins with the highly visual marching component of our program and our 2023 UIL production titled “MINDFULL”

MHS BAND WEBSITE – www.magnoliahsband.org The site contains information such as our Handbook, Travel Release Form, Registration Forms, etc....

CHARMS – Used as our online database. www.charmsoffice.com Login = magnoliahsband / Password = Students ID # (unless otherwise changed). If you need assistance, contact Mr. Beavers (pbeavers@magnoliaisd.org)

JAZZ students – All-Region/State audition music has been released (email Mr. Jackson [ajackson@magnoliaisd.org] if you need a copy). Please play your horn and improvise every day. YouTube is a wonderful source to listen to and play along with different videos on a daily basis to familiarize yourself with the Region & State improvisation changes. We have made huge gains in our jazz program and look forward to a wonderful year!

JAZZ BAND AUDITION – The Magnolia HS band is thankful to offer jazz education as part of the daily curriculum. The study of Jazz, America's original art form, is a unique discipline. Mr. Jackson will hold auditions on July 26th, 27th, or 28th for the following approximate instrumentation (2 Alto, 2 Tenor, 1 Baritone saxophone / 5 Trumpets / 3 Tenor (straight) Trombones, 1 Bass Trombone / 2 pianists / 1 guitarist / 2 bassists (upright required) / 1 drum set, 1 auxiliary percussion). This is a competitive process. The best way to prepare is to practice with Smartmusic. Click on the Jazz Improv icon, Click on Alfred Master Tracks BLUES, Click on any & all of the charts listed and HAVE FUN!

ALL-REGION/STATE BAND – The key to success is to start early on the music. Check the TMEA website often for the official release date (www.tmea.org).

Let's strive for individual excellence and have a large presence in the 5A All-Region, All-Area, and All-State bands.



PRIVATE LESSON SIGN UP – We strive to have the most professional private lesson staff available for our students. Lessons are HIGHLY ENCOURAGED. Sign up today!

FLUTE

Suzy Morrison (936) 443-4830 / suzannemorrison@rocketmail.com

OBOE / BASSOON

[Oboe = coming soon]

Jacob Fernandez [Bassoon] (405) 740-8433 / jacobalan.fernandez@gmail.com

CLARINET / SAXOPHONE

Annie Shackelford [Clarinet] (281) 799-0628 / musicshack20@gmail.com

Paul Peacock [Saxophone] (281) 813-9846 / paulpeacockmusic@gmail.com

TRUMPET

Brian Fincher (936) 689-4710 / brianfincher21@gmail.com
Aaron Penny (972) 890-1468 / pennyac@hotmail.com

HORN

Sharon Matula (713) 922-0932 / psmatula@suddenlink.net

TROMBONE / EUPHONIUM / TUBA

Luke Vacca [Trombone] (302) 993-6506 / vaccaluke@yahoo.com

Vince Jackson [Euphonium/Tuba] (678) 699-0026 / tubagnosis@gmail.com

PERCUSSION

Curt Hentrich (254) 855-9287 / curthe@sbcglobal.net
Jacob Evans (713) 494-1702 / jacobevansperc@gmail.com

SOLO & ENSEMBLE (S&E) – Students interested in memorizing a Class 1 Solo or playing off the “No Memory Required” list for UIL S&E contest will have access to the Chamber Music library on Uniform Check-Out day.

SAT / ACT Test Dates

	SAT	ACT
GOOD	8/26	9/9
	10/7	4/13/24
	3/9/24	6/8/24
	5/4/24	7/13/24
	6/1/24	

	SAT	ACT
AVOID	11/04 (BOA Contest)	10/28 (AREA marching)
	12/02 (Region audition)	12/9 (IF All-Region)
		2/10/24 (IF All-State)

**Summer Band Camp is hard work;
however, the more you put into it the more
you get out of it...YAY Band!**

REEDS – Clarinetists and Saxophonists, please purchase several boxes D'Addario Reserve reeds OR VanDoren Blue Box reeds www.weinermusic.com / www.wvbw.com. Oboe and Bassoon players, please consider ordering your reeds from Bocal Majority www.bocalmajoritystore.com

Join the Magnolia HS Band on the Band app –

In order to stay up to date with all announcements, itineraries, & current events, please join our Magnolia HS Band on the Band app. Type in the following link to join or use the QR shown below. <https://band.us/n/a6a07dp3D0dbt>



IN CLOSING - we look forward to producing an exciting musical year that our band, school, families, and community can be proud of. We miss you and look forward to your return!

Please note, this newsletter is simply an overview of our activities and is subject to change. A multi-page document titled ALL THINGS BAND is on our website with even more details regarding our wonderful Magnolia HS Band. www.magnoliahsband.org

Keep playing your instrument and be ready to do all you can to have fun and enjoy the music making process!

Best wishes for a safe return,

*Mr. Beavers, Mr. Woodard, Mr. Jackson, Ms. Kylberg,
Ms. Easton*

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