

NorthWood High School Bands June 1, 2021
S.U.D.A.: SPIRIT * UNITY * DISCIPLINE * ATTITUDE

Welcome: Trevor

- Introduction of this years board: Trevor Wendzonka, president / Laurie Schmucker, 1st Vice President / Dawn Morey, 2nd Vice President / Mary Wendzonka, secretary

Director report: Mr. Criss

- **Communication:** Here's where to find information:
 - Band Calendar has all practices, parent meetings, performances and competitions. Access it from <http://www.northwoodbands.com/>
 - Website <http://www.northwoodbands.com/>
 - Meeting notes, announcements, forms
 - Facebook Groups: Red Regiment vs NorthWood Bands
 - Red Regiment: Closed group to current members of RR and parents. Important announcements, call for volunteers and communications are on this page. Must ask to join group; Mr. Criss will approve. Email him if your access was not approved (ecriss@wanee.org)
 - NorthWood Bands - open to alumni; this page is more about spirit and photos of competitions. Must ask to join group, however everyone is welcome (parents, grandparents, etc).
 - Emails from Mr. Criss
 - Agendas (for performances, competitions, etc) will generally be emailed the Monday before an event.
 - Other important announcements
 - Mrs. Pauls, Fine Arts Office, may also send emails
 - Questions for Mr. Criss? Email is preferred (ecriss@wanee.org). PLEASE do not. Please do not send a private message from Facebook.
- **Schedule**
 - Summer
 - Basic Training: Tuesday evenings to get band members up to speed
 - Date Conflict? Let Mr. Criss know asap via email
 - Band Camp: July 26 - Aug 10
 - The 4-H Fair is the week of July 26. If band member has a conflict, communicate that to Mr. Criss via email
 - Band / School comes before summer jobs. Please prioritize appropriately.
 - Fall: see calendar and watch closely
 - After-School practice: Mondays and Thursdays (may shift to evenings)
 - Friday Routine: after-school practice; dinner (pack it or parent drop-off); game performance. Students are asked not to leave school for any reason.
 - Note: Agenda will be emailed preceding Monday
 - Saturday Routine: To-the-minute Agenda will be emailed preceding Monday
 - BOA Routine
 - See calendar. Friday performance. More details to come
 - State Finals Routine
 - Agenda will be emailed. More details will come.
 - Overnight November 5-6

- **Supplies**
 - Bring to June 8th practice:
 - 3-ring binder w/sheet protectors
 - Flip Folder / lyre - instrument specific; call Paige's if you aren't sure what you need
 - Marching Shoes - fittings and ordered during band camp; approx. \$42
 - Colorguard Warm-ups & Dance Shoes - will be ordered during band camp; approx. \$50
- **Trimester Two**
 - Christmas Concert
 - Concert Attire: formal gowns for girls; tuxedos for boys. Fitting and ordering to take place beforehand
 - Solo & Ensemble (final exam)
 - Solo & Ensemble hosting
 - 30 - 35 schools come to NW for the event.
 - Parent volunteers will be needed to run the event.
 - Pep Band, ISSMA Jazz, Winter Percussion, Winter Guard
 - Pep band: graded participation, 7 out of 10 performances required
 - Jazz: practices are after-school
- **Trimester Three**
 - ISSMA Organizational: important concert band performance for Gold / Silver / Bronze
 - Spring Concert: formal wear
 - Parades and Graduation: assumed proceeding as normal
- **Misc:**
 - Hawaii Travelers: communication will happen via Red Regiment FB Group. Non-travelers may want to mute the notifications for a week.
 - Hawaii Chaperones: text group will be created for communications
 - Sax families: too overloaded with saxophone players this year. Email was sent regarding the need for 2 volunteers to switch to marching baritone. If no volunteers come forward, auditions will take place. Everyone will be able to participate in the marching band somehow.
- **Important note**
 - Starting August 5, meetings will move to the first Thursday of the month

Mr. Grabill: Percussion / Middle School

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Stephanie: Color Guard Report

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President report: Trevor

- Remember to follow the Red Regiment Page for important announcements, calls for volunteers
- Find the calendar on the bands website

Vice President Report: Laurie

- Parent Volunteers always needed
 - Expect to have fun, get to know the students, become part of the band family
 - Chaperones needed
 - Background checks required
 - Two forms to be filled out can be found on <http://www.northwoodbands.com/documents/>
 - Limited background check for those helping with props or pit crew
 - Expanded background checks to be chaperone
 - Pit Crew: help to move equipment on to the field for performances
 - Prop Construction: Steve will call out for help building or creating props
 - Ask questions if you'd like more information
 - Performances require of minimum of 24 volunteers
 - Parades require walkers to carry water or pass out flyers (12 volunteers)

2nd Vice President Report: Dawn

- Fundraisers: two this summer will require volunteers. Every student / parent should pick one of these events:
 - 4H Fair: Sunday July 25th
 - Lemon Shake-Up booth; 4 shifts of 5 students & 2 adults
 - Kounty Wood Picnic: July 17
 - Lots of shifts will be available; Lots of volunteers will be needed
 - Watch for links for SignUpGenius to come to sign up for these important fundraisers
- Other band fundraisers:
 - Chili Supper: required fundraiser to sell tickets. Parent volunteers will be needed.
 - Christmas Trio: required fundraiser selling poinsettias, popcorn and candy before Christmas
 - Mattress Sale: optional trip fundraiser. Money goes into student's trip account
 - Backyard BB: required ticket sale; Dads needed to grill; parents needed to work the event
 - Pizza sale: optional sale to raise money into student trip account
 - 5k: students asked to participate by running, playing in band or assisting somehow

Next meeting will be: August 5, 2021

Meetings of the NorthWood Band Boosters are held on the 1st THURSDAY of the month in the NWHS Band Room, beginning promptly at 7:00 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT: The purpose of the NorthWood Band Boosters is to advance the best interests of the NorthWood High School Bands by giving support as requested by the Band Director. All parents/guardians of students enrolled in the Band and Guard Program are members of the NorthWood Band Boosters. Maintaining an active Band Program requires support and funding beyond that provided by the school system. The band parent organization has been formed to provide this support!

BOARD MEMBERS

Director of Bands: Eric Criss Assistant Director: Jacob Grabill President: Trevor Wendzonka
1st Vice President: Laurie Schmucker; 2nd Vice President: Dawn Morey; Secretary: Mary Wendzonka