

**NorthWood High School Bands January 11, 2024**  
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**Welcome: Mark**

**Director report: Mr. Criss**

- Wednesday, January 17th, the pep band will be performing at Grace College for their basketball game. Parent help is needed for chaperoning and loading trailers. They will be loading at 5:00 and departing the school at 5:30. Please contact Mr. Criss if you are available to help.
- The music tour is happening during the school day on Friday, February 9. This is when all band and choir members give performances at WaNee elementary and middle schools. The students will be transported by bus from school to school.
- Some financial goals for the next year for marching band performances are to purchase our own power source (lithium battery or Super Quiet generator), and wireless solo microphones. The cost for the complete set-up of the mics is \$4000. This is still being discussed before a final decision is made.

**Middle School Report: Mr. Shepherd**

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**Guard Report: Stephanie**

- Winterguard performances in our area:  
  
1/26 Fairfield High School at 6:30. This is a fundraiser for the surrounding winterguard programs. NW, Fairfield, Goshen, John Glenn and Jimtown will all bring home a check from the admission proceeds. The more people who come, the more each group benefits.  
  
2/17 Goshen at 2:41  
  
2/24 Carroll- Varsity at 1:41, JV at 2:23  
  
There are 32 girls in the winterguard program!

**President Report: Mark**

- Special thank you to Lippert for donating a weight distribution hitch for the trailer. This will make the towing experience much smoother.
- Friday, January 26th, is set-up day for Solo & Ensemble. This begins as soon as school is dismissed. We need as much parent help as possible. If you are able to help at any point during the afternoon and evening, please contact Mark. The more people who help, the quicker it will be done.

**Vice President Report: Katrina**

- We need a lot of adult volunteers to make Solo & Ensemble on January 27th a success! There is a Sign-Up Genius link on facebook and it will also be sent out via email. This is a great way for former band members or parents to participate in ensuring the event runs smoothly. Please contact anyone you know who would like to help and direct them to the sign-up link.

**2nd Vice President Report: Michan/Andrea**

- Our Chili Supper fundraiser is happening February 9. Tickets will go home with students on Tuesday along with a letter about requirements, menu, and prizes. Middle school marching band students participate in this fundraiser as well. Sign-Up Genius will be published soon with donations and help needed. Yard signs will be available at the February parent meeting.

**Next meeting will be: February 1, 2024**

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: Joey Shepherd   President: Mark Nave;  
1st Vice President: Katrina Macias; 2nd Vice President: Michan Eby/Andrea Golden; Secretary: Ruth Sheaffer