

NorthWood High School Bands May 15,2025
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Welcome: Mark

Director Report: Mr. Criss

- At ISSMA on the 25th the students received Gold with distinction! They had perfect scores on 2 out of the three elements they were scored on.
- The Indy 500 Parade is coming up on the 24th. This is the third largest parade in the US! 8th grade students who were part of marching band are invited to join us. We borrowed uniforms from Fishers which look like pit crew uniforms.
- The Memorial Day Parade is fast approaching. It will be the usual step-off at the elementary school with a small ceremony at the pavilion to end the parade. An informational email for both parades will be coming on Monday.
- The band will not be playing at graduation this year.
- .For the summer schedule: assume for now that it will stay the same, but be open to changes with the new band director.

Middle School Report: Ms. Bradley

- Thank you Mr. Spradling for helping prepare the 6th and 8th grade students for their spring concert!
- Some retention percentages for transitioning band students:
 - ~incoming freshmen - 88%
 - ~incoming 8th graders - 88%
 - ~incoming 7th graders - 75%
 - ~possible 60 students joining band as 6th graders

Guard Report: Stephanie

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President Report: Mark

- Welcome Carla!
- Thank you Michan for all the work you've done with the band boosters!
- Mark still needs to be replaced

Vice President Report: Katrina

- Volunteers needed for the Memorial Day parade.
- Chaperone information emails for the Indy parade will be sent out soon.

2nd Vice President Report: Michan/Andrea

- Summer band fundraiser - Dairy Bar at the Elkhart County 4-H fair; Friday, July 18. Each volunteer for each shift gets a free grilled cheese sandwich and small ice cream. Anyone (siblings, aunts/uncles, or grandparents) can help, as long as they're middle school age or older.

Next meeting will be: TBD

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: Faith Bradley President: Mark Nave
1st Vice President: Katrina Macias 2nd Vice President: Michan Eby Treasurer: Andrea Golden
Secretary: Ruth Sheaffer