

Good afternoon BAND! **CONTEST SEASON** IS HERE. Lots of information! All information will be in your weekly schedule.

Congratulations to our drumline for their Superior performance on Saturday! And a special congratulations to Chase Gossett for earning **BEST TENOR LINE!**

PLEASE WATCH YOUR PERFORMANCE:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-2xcgLcJmy0>

How can you improve?

Part 3 marching this week! LOOK OVER YOUR SETS. We will be marching during band classes. Part 4 music will be performed this Friday. Part 4 sets will be learned the week of Sept 26.

Prop Assignments Use this link to find your prop assignments. Vinyl came in last week! We will be using props in rehearsal and performing with them **NEXT Friday!**

PARENTS:

We need PARENT/GRANDPARENT/ALUMNI/AUNT/UNCLE HELP!

Halftime & Contest Sign up!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A48A9AC22A4F94-halftime>

We will send out the Plume and Groom sign up soon! This will be to help iron and steam uniforms for contests! This group has options to work during our school day as well!

SUBWAY ORDER

<https://forms.gle/eQ9BNt4CFTi3Pr136>

These students need to fill out the order form:

Heidy de la Cruz

Taylor Fouse

Allison Medina

Huey Nobles

Ashley Ortiz

Brianna Rivas

Malachi Wright

Makayla Booth

Isabella Maldonado

Joshua Riddle

Hannah Scarcelli

Cody Jenkins

Emily Chappell

Jose Martinez

Sam Parks

Jasmine Ramirez
Jamie Brockway
Brandon Nelle
Corey Orso
Reggie Gilbert
Ethan Golden
Tyler Latta
Elias Parra-Ibarra
Benjamin Angel
Emma Gossett
Kirstin West
Shanard Kelly
Daniel Parks
Savanna Arsement
Hannah Banister
Austin Cook
Nathan Eborn
Pace Eilers
Madeline Kilgore
Ariani Lopez
Cameron Redd
Charleigh Venable
Jenna Merritt
Lizbeth Robles
Emily Williams
Aileen Ramirez

Full Uniform - (anytime you wear the uniform)

- We all wear the full uniform zipped and properly worn. If we take our jacket off it will be done together. After unloading the trailers, all students must be in uniform when joining the group.
- No ball caps, **No dangling earrings**, No Sun Glasses on the field.
- All hair should fit inside the hat rim. Long hair should be in a clean bun. Use bobby pins to get fly-aways.
- **LONG BLACK SOCKS** are REQUIRED. No ankles should be seen.

Wednesdays - This is your day to go to tutoring. If you need extra help, speak to your teacher. All Staff understands our schedule. At 6 weeks we pull grades (UIL RULE). This will determine if you are passing. NO PASS, NO PLAY will go into effect. Turn in your assignments on time. Check Skyward often. Don't know your login? Email kelly.patterson@commerceisd.org to get your information. These are YOUR GRADES, you EARN them!

If you have any questions or concerns or needs please let the band directors know!

Schedule for the Week: Please Double Check All Times!

THIS WEEK SCHEDULE:

SEP 19 (M)

SLT- working lunch in band hall

4:00-6:30pm - ASR

****ALL OF PART 3 ON THE FIELD****

****STAND STILL OF PART 4****

SEP 20 (T)

4:00-6:30pm - ASR

SEP 22 (TH)

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****Mr. Spoon will be here to clinic the band****

SEP 23 (F) *GRAY SHIRT*

4th-8th - Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew Load UHAUL and Band Trailer

3:25pm - ACE Dinner (have your paperwork in!) or bring your own

3:25pm - FINISH Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew Load UHAUL and Band Trailer

3:30pm - ACE Dinner (must be signed up for ACE)

5:00pm -in warm up arcs, check attendance and following supplies.

***FULL UNIFORM - dressed in black shorts, long black socks, black marching shoes, OUR GRAY Shirt and bring hat box**

***have flip folder, all music, lyre**

***FULL WATER JUG**

5:20pm - get on assigned bus (we may have only 2 buses to shuttle, percussion and loading crews leave first)

5:30pm - Depart for Bonham HS

6:15pm - Arrive at Bonham HS

***Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew - Unload**

6:30pm - Band takes the stands

***Students will get into lines by sections, stand with the part that you play on stand tunes.**

The order of entry into the stands is:

+Drumline, Flutes, Clarinets, Saxophones, Mellophones, Trumpets, Trombones, Euphoniums, Sousaphone

When seated, you must maintain your line, front to back and left to right. Restroom breaks, 2 at a time. Drum Majors will be in charge of this. If there is an issue please let directors know. Use the buddy system, especially when we are not at our HOME stadium. Do NOT go to the concession stands or socialize outside of the stands. Our job is to inspire our football team and our community in the stands.

7:30pm - Kick Off!

10:30ish - We pack up and depart for CHS, we will send a REMIND as we approach CHS.

11:30pm - We ALL will unload the Uhauls and store our uniforms properly. Take your marching shoes and instrument home with you.

MOVE PERCUSSION, SOUSAPHONES, GUARD FLAGS TO SMALL TRAILER

***ALL WIND PLAYERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING THEIR INSTRUMENT HOME.**

THE BAND HALL WILL NOT BE OPEN ON SATURDAY!!!

SEP 24 (S)

Bois D'arc Parade

Attire: BLACK SHORTS & Heart and Soul Shirt

We have students drop off or park at this event, so families can participate and enjoy the Bash!

If you need a ride please communicate with the band staff.

9:15am - Park and meet at Commerce Funeral Home (1505 Washington St), we will take attendance, form the parade block and warm up together. Performing Fight Song and Cadences in parade.

9:50am - move to start area

10:00am - start parade

10:40am - load equipment, percussion and sousaphones please come to CHS to unload.

Enjoy the Bash!!!

NEXT WEEK SCHEDULE:

SEP 26 (M)

SLT- working lunch in band hall

Caddo Mills Contest

1:07pm: Release- Students dress into GRAY shirts, Band Shorts, Long Black Socks, Marching Shoes. Hats on the field. Musical Warm-Up

8th Graders-will be bussed over after lunches

2:00pm: Rehearse- On the Grid (LEARN PART 4)

3:30pm: Early Dinner- Subway Box Dinners

3:50pm: Load Trailers-

4:30pm: Depart CHS-

5:10pm: Arrive-

5:15pm: Unload-

5:50pm: Move to Warm-Up-

6:00pm: Warm-up-

6:20pm: Move-

6:30pm: Perform-

7:00pm: Load Trailers-

7:30pm: Depart Caddo Mills

8:00pm: Arrive at CHS

SEP 27 (T)

4:00-6:30pm - ASR

****LEARN ALL OF PART 4****

FULL SHOW ON THE FIELD

SEP 28 (W)

Use this opportunity to go to tutorials, doctors appointments, and practice sets on the grid! LOTS TO WORK ON!

SEP 29 (TH)

4:00-6:30pm - ASR

SEP 30 (F) Winnsboro HOME

4th-8th - Loading Crew/Percussion/Prop Crew Load UHAUL and Band Trailer

2:50pm - Pep Rally

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***have flip folder, all music, lyre**

***FULL WATER JUG**

GUARD - We had timing issues last game ensuring we were all ready to go with the entire ensemble. Others did not remember to bring proper under-clothing for our uniforms, let's make sure we are prepared this time around!

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Oct 1 (SAT)

Mesquite Memorial Marching Contest

Park Trailers in Parking Lot (leave percussion on the trailer?)

7:30am: **Band Hall Opens**

8:00am: **Rehearse-** (Heart Shirt & Shorts)(Winds bring cases outside for loading)

BREAKFAST

9:30am: **Load Trailers-** (props are already loaded)

10:20am: **Full Uniform in Arcs**

10:35am: **Load Buses**

10:45am: **Depart CHS-** (1hr 15min)

11:50am: **Arrive-**

12:00pm: **Unload/Build Props-**

12:55pm: **Move to Warm-Up-**

1:10pm: **Warm-up-**

1:55pm: **Move-**

2:15pm: **Perform-**

2:30pm: **Load Trailers-**

Late Lunch - Subway (something healthy/delivers) Boxes for the way home

3:15pm: **Depart-**

4:30pm: **Arrive at CHS-**

Unload all equipment

Weekly emails will also be available to view on our band website,
<http://www.commercetigerband.org/weekly-announcements.html>

Here is the link to our Amazon Band Wish List

<https://a.co/ajd7upo>

New items needed!

Pass Offs

Directors will be pulling students for Pass Offs.

Eligibility - AKA Pass Your Classes

September 23 is the 6 weeks grading period. Be sure to turn in ALL of your assignments and stay on top of your grades! If you lose eligibility, you will not be allowed to participate with the band or any other school activities.

Band Dues:

Continue to make payments as you can if you still owe! If you have any questions about your balance or need any assistance, please contact Mr. Duschatko at logan.duschatko@commerceisd.org.

Hawaii Trip 2023 - Canceled

We will send out a questionnaire to see what the band would like to do for a future trip.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SEP 22 (TH) - Mr. Spoon at ASR

SEP 23 (F) - Bonham Football - AWAY

SEP 24 (S) - Bois Darc Parade

SEP 26 (M) - Caddo Mills Contest

SEP 27 (T) - Mr. Best at ASR (Mineola Band Director)

SEP 30 (F) - Winnsboro Football - HOME

OCT 1 (S) - Mesquite Marching Contest

OCT 7 (F) - Rains Football - AWAY

OCT 8 (S) - Royse City Marching Festival

Information from Past Emails

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Here is the link to the Band Pictures! WE are so adorable 🥰

Band Picture Link:

<https://amandareneephotographytx.pixieset.com/22-23chsteampictures/band/>

Band website (www.commercetigerband.com). If there is any information that you need that is not provided in this email, please email Mr. Duschatko, Mr. Wilkerson and Mrs. Wallace.

logan.duschatko@commerceisd.org, nick.wilkerson@commerceisd.org, and kara.wallace@commerceisd.org This will ensure that we get to you ASAP!

At the bottom of this email you will find our Google Calendar (please download), our REMIND lists, and the link to join the Google Classroom. Please join all of these things! Most of your questions will be answered in these forums.

Parents, we would love for you to volunteer and travel with us to our football games and performances during the year! All Middle School parents are able to volunteer with the Band Boosters. The Band Boosters serve both HS & MS Bands. So bring a friend if you would like to!

Our students are ALL involved in other activities and sports with the school. Please look at our schedule and see where there are conflicts. I LOVE working in Commerce because ALL the faculty is on board with working together for our students. We CAN and WILL work with any conflicts.

7th/8th Grade Marchers:

For After school rehearsal, either workout a ride from CMS OR ride the STAFF bus (#14) from CMS. If you are an athlete of CMS, tell me who you are! Please workout a ride to rehearsal, if you cannot, let a director know so we can come up with a solution. Coach Holcomb and I are great at sharing!

ASR begins at 4pm, everyone needs to be ready on the grid before 4pm. To be early, is to be on time. Sign up for ACE so you can get a meal before your rehearsal. You have plenty of time to change, eat and be on time to rehearsal.

Things you need to bring for ASR:

*Change of clothes

*Athletic shoes! No marching in boots!

****FULL BAND WATER JUG****

*Hat / Glasses (we march into the sun, be prepared to look for your drum major)

*Flip Folder/Lyre (all music in alphabetical order in your flip folder)

****Write your name on your Flip Folder**

*Music memorized

*Device fully charged

Flipfolders and Lyres need to be ordered, so students are prepared for performances!

We already have some orders that have come in, they will be handed out to students

Band Supplies:

You can order straight from Brook Mays and they will deliver to our band hall! This link will also be found on the home page of our band website for future reference!

https://rental.brookmays.com/Rental_Choose_Instrument?schoolid=924

ACE - AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

ACE provides meals after school and tutoring! If you are interested in eating after school, you MUST turn in your paperwork. Please go to this link to find it,

<https://www.commerceisd.org/departments/texas-ace> . We will have printed applications in the band hall. It is lengthy!

AVENUES OF COMMUNICATION

NEW REMINDS:

22-23 Parental Units - <https://www.remind.com/join/d9f9dfc>

22-23 Students (Marching Band) - <https://www.remind.com/join/c8a89g>

22-23 SLT - <https://www.remind.com/join/fke9a8>

22-23 Jazz Cats - <https://www.remind.com/join/af8f9b6>

22-23 Percussion Section - <https://www.remind.com/join/chsdrumsfe>

Band Boosters - <https://www.remind.com/join/c9b34h3>

BAND WEBSITE: <http://www.commercetigerband.org>

The Roaring Tiger Calendar is available for you to download! This has our Summer and Fall schedule!

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=roaringtigerband%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FChicago>

Join our Commerce Roaring Tiger Band FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/CommerceBands>

GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

22-23 Marching Band -

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NTlxMDg2MjQ2MTM0?cjc=fv4xy5u>

22-23 Percussion Section -

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MzU0OTc2MzMxMjA0?cjc=ve3pvhz>

Jazz Cats -

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MzI0NTg1NzkzNjNa?cjc=utsffmb>

Kara Wallace - kara.wallace@commerceisd.org

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Nick Wilkerson - nick.wilkerson@commerceisd.org
Assistant Band Director

Logan Duschatko - logan.duschatko@commerceisd.org
Assistant Band Director

Joe Smith - joseph.smith@commerceisd.org
Percussion Director

Robert Schmidt - robert.schmidt@commerceisd.org
Color Guard Director

Be sure to communicate, in advance, with your conflicts or absences.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Do you want to take lessons over the summer to help prepare for All Region Auditions or to just be a better musician?? Let Mr. Wilkerson or Mrs. Wallace know!
nick.wilkerson@commerceisd.org or kara.wallace@commerceisd.org

SAFETY Protocol:

Always enter/exit through the Tiger Path, DO NOT drop off or pickup in the staff parking lot. This is for the safety of the students.

Thank you in advance for observing this request.

****8th graders if you are running late from CMS campus you are able to drop off at the grid.***

During the school day, entry/exit of the band hall is only through the Fine Arts Hall. Do not use the double doors near the exterior exit.

Keep lockers locked at all times. Lockers are for instrument storage. Do not store food or personal items in your lockers.

22-23 Tentative Band Dates

*These dates will adjust as needed on the Google calendar

The Roaring Tiger Calendar is available for you to download! This has our Summer and Fall schedule!

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=roaringtigerband%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FChicago>

September 19-20, 22: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September 22: Stuart Spoon out to Clinic

September 23: Football - Bonham - AWAY

September 24: Bois Darc Parade - 9:00am

September 26: Caddo Mills Invitational Marching Classic - 3:30pm - Caddo Mills

September 27, 29: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

September 27: Jim Best out to Clinic

September 30: Football - Winnsboro - HOME

October:

October 1: Mesquite Marching Contest - Mesquite

October 3-4, 6: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

October 7: Football - Rains - AWAY

October 8: Royse City Marching Festival - Royse City

October 10: Mineola Marching Contest - Mineola

October 11: Marching Band Rehearsal - (No School on This Day)

October 12: 3A REGION MARCHING CONTEST - Mesquite Memorial Stadium

October 17: Marching Band Rehearsal - 4:00pm-6:30pm (No School on This Day)

October 18, 20: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

October 21: Football - Mt. Vernon - HOME

October 22: 3A AREA MARCHING CONTEST - C.H. Collins Stadium - Denton

October 24-25, 27: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

October 28: Football - Pottsboro - AWAY

November:

November 1, 3: ASR 4:00pm-6:30pm

November 4: Football - Mineola - HOME

November 14-15: All-Region Jazz Clinic and Concert - Sunnyvale HS

November 16-17: Spring Band Auditions - Commerce HS

November 18-19: Junior/Senior Honor Band - TAMUC Music Building

December:

December 2: Middle School All-Region Auditions - Ford HS - Quinlan

December 3: Christmas Parade - Commerce

December 5: High School All-Region Auditions - Eustace HS - Eustace

December 8: CMS/CHS Holiday Concert

January:

January 7: HS Area Auditions - Ranchview HS - Irving

January 13-14: MS/HS All-Region Clinic and Concert

February:

February 4: Band UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest - Canton HS - Canton

February 6: Pre-UIL Concert

February 8-11: TMEA All-State Band and Convention - San Antonio

February 25: Choir and Piano Solo and Ensemble Contest - West Mesquite HS - Mesquite

February 28: HS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 1 - Canton HS - Canton

March:

March 1: HS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 2 - Canton HS - Canton

March 28: MS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 1 - Canton HS - Canton

March 29: MS UIL Concert and Sight Reading Day 2 - Canton HS - Canton

April:

April 11: ATSSB Jazz Festival - Sunnyvale HS - Sunnyvale

April 18-19: Leadership Interviews

April 27-29: Dallas Winds Invitational

May:

May 3, 4: Marching Mini Camp and 23-24 Band Registration

May 6: CISD Solo and Ensemble Contest

May 9: CMS/CHS Spring Concert

May 13: Band Banquet

May 17-18: Fall Auditions

May 26: Last Day of School/Graduation

Q: What instrument do they only play in Boston marching bands?

A: Red Sox-ophones.