

BAND ROOM OPEN

July 10th 4-8pm

July 17th 4-8pm

July 24th (Optional Brass/Woodwind/Percussion Section practice 1:30-3:30pm

Required practice for rookies that morning 8-11:30am

The band room will be open during the above times for students to hold section rehearsals. Section leaders may call practices at any point during this time frame however nothing is mandatory until band camp. Any section meetings or rehearsals held on campus need to have a full time district employee/band staff member present.

SUMMER ITEMS TO REMEMBER

INSTRUMENT REPAIR FOR BAND CAMP

Plan now to have your instrument fully repaired and operational by the start of band camp. Last summer we started band camp with several that were not working. You will miss out on valuable rehearsal time without a properly working instrument. I suggest that all Woodwinds students take in their instrument for a check up (even a few very minor problems can effect your tuning and tone)

GET EXERCISE

Make sure you are getting plenty of exercise and activity this summer. You need to be in shape for us to have a successful band camp.

PRACTICE

The more you play your instrument this summer, the better you will be! Even just a few minutes a day would help tremendously.

Nationals trip/Band Fees Reminders

The Third band payment of \$150 is due **July 28th**

Final payment of \$125 is due **September 10th**

Checks payable to BSHS Band or use Pay Pal at **bshbb.org**

Rookies will need to purchase band shoes. They will cost \$35 each and the money for this is due by September 18th.

Band camp and Fall Schedule

These are available at **bshbb.org**

Band camp dates and times are now posted

A Final Fall calendar will be posted soon

COLOR GUARD FEES

The color guard fees are more than the band because they get a new uniform each year and have additional equipment costs. All Guard members should have paid \$150 by the JUNE 26TH guard rehearsal.

Guard Nationals trip/Band Fee Payment Schedule:

\$150 Was due May 22 (Turn in by June 26 if you haven't turned it in yet)

\$100 Due July 28th

\$150 Due by September 10th

\$95 Due by September 25th

\$495 TOTAL FOR GUARD

Any guard member who has not turned in handbook forms needs to do so immediately. Please bring them to your practice on June 26th. You can print the band handbook at **bshbb.org**

Students who have not turned in forms and fees on time run the risk of losing their starting spot in the drill

In addition to the regular fees Color Guard members will also need to purchase guard shoes and the money for that will be due in October. This is usually about \$35

Recommended instrument accessories:

Clarinet—Vandoren Mouthpiece (B45 or M13)

Sax—C Star mouthpiece (or equivalent) do not use a jazz mouthpiece for marching or concert band

Trumpet- Bach 5c or 3c (Bach 5c recommended for 9-10th Grade) (3c recommended for 11-12th grade)

Baritone/Trombone (Bach 6 ½ AL)

Flute- make sure instrument is in good repair

When everyone in the section is playing on the same brand of mouthpiece it helps the section to have matching tone and tuning which is a big part of our score in competitions.

There are other suitable alternatives to the above. Please feel free to contact Mr. Bone if you want to check on an item. These are not the only acceptable upgrades. Your private lesson teacher may have suggestions that will work for our band program as well.

TESTING DATES

Please plan ahead so that you will not miss any band events. We have band competitions on the dates listed below

Sept. 27th
 Oct. 4, 11, 18th
 Nov. 1st (5A State) (Nationals Nov 14-15th)
 Dec 13th (Boiling Springs Parade)

ACT TEST DATES THAT DO NOT CONFLICT WITH BAND:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline:</u>
September 13, 2008*	August 12, 2008
October 25, 2008	September 19, 2008
February 7, 2009**	January 6, 2009

Do not sign up to take the ACT on Dec 13th - We have the Boiling Springs Parade that morning

SAT DATES THAT DO NOT CONFLICT WITH BAND

2008-09 Test Dates	Test	U.S. Registration Deadlines*		International Registration Deadlines**	
		Regular	Late (a fee applies)	Early (International only)	Regular
December 6, 2008	SAT & Subject Tests	November 5, 2008	November 18, 2008	October 15, 2008	November 5, 2008
January 24, 2009	SAT & Subject Tests	December 26, 2008	January 6, 2009	December 3, 2008	December 26, 2008
March 14, 2009	SAT only	February 10, 2009	February 24, 2009	N/A	N/A
May 2, 2009	SAT & Subject Tests	March 31, 2009	April 9, 2009	March 11, 2009	March 31, 2009
June 6, 2009	SAT & Subject Tests	May 5, 2009	May 15, 2009	April 15, 2009	May 5, 2009

DO NOT SIGN UP TO TAKE THE SAT TEST ON OCT 4TH OR NOVEMBER 1ST—WE HAVE BAND COMPETITIONS ON THESE DATES