Germantown Bands MAY 2023



| | FINALIZED AND APPROVED 1/8/23 | | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | | |
| 30 | 2023 Marching Show Reveal 5:00pm GHS | Chamber/Jazz Concert 6pm GHS | ЗВ | GSB Performance w/Southern Miss Wind Ensemble Hattiesburg, MS | Guard Mini- Camp #1 5-8p | Guard Mini- Camp #1 8a-5p | | |
| 7 | A8 | GHS Bands Spring Concert 6pm MCHS Auditorium | 10A | Perc Mini-Camp #1 5-8p | Perc Mini-Camp #1 5-8p | Perc Mini-Camp #1 8a-5p | | |
| Mother's Day | 15B | 16 A | 17B | Hornline (woodwinds and brass) Mini-Camp 5-8p | Hornline (woodwinds and brass) Mini-Camp 5-8p | Hornline (woodwinds and brass) 8a-12p GHS Graduation 2p | | |
| 21 | 22A | 23B | 24A STUDENTS' LAST DAY | 25 | 26 | 27 | | |
| 28 | 29 Memorial Day | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | | |

Germantown Bands JUNE 2023



| FINALIZED AND APPROVED 1/8/23 | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| | | | | | Band Fees | |
| | | | | Permission and Medical Release | Due | |
| | | | | Forms Due | \$300 | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| | Guard/Perc #2 | Guard/Perc#2 | Guard/Perc#2 | ALL HORNLINE | ALL HORNLINE | |
| | 8a-5p | 8a-5p | 8a-5p | (9 th -12 th) 8a-5p | (9 th -12 th) 8a-12p | |
| | 9 th /10 th Hornline 8a-12p | 9 th /10 th Hornline 8a-12p | 9 th /10 th Hornline 8a-12p | (Marching and Choreography) | (Marching and Choreography) | |
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Germantown Bands JULY 2023

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| | | Independence Day | | | | |
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| | Guard/Perc#3 | Guard/Perc#3 | | | FULL CAMP | |
| | 8a-5p | 8a-5p | FULL CAMP | FULL CAMP | 8a-5p | |
| | 9 th /10 th Hornline | 9 th /10 th Hornline | 8a-5p | 8a-8p | Shoe Fitting | |
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| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| | FULL CAMP | FULL CAMP | FULL CAMP | REHEARSAL | REHEARSAL | |
| | | | 8a-12p | _ | | |
| | 8a-5p | 8a-8p | DCI @ USM | 6p to 9p | 6p to 9p | |
| 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| | | Costuming Fees | | 1st Day of School | | |
| | | Due (\$200) REHEARSAL | | REHEARSAL | | |
| | | 6p to 9p | | 6p to 9p | | |

Germantown Bands AUGUST 2023



| FINALIZED AND APPROVED 1/8/23 | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 30 | 31 | Costuming Fees Due (\$200) REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | 2 | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 7:30AM START TIME BEGINS Germantown Band Booster Meeting 7pm | 8 | 9 | 10 REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | REHEARSAL 6p to 10p Football Scrimmage @6pm | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | Pep Band 1 to NWR | 26 REHEARSAL 8a to 9p |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | BOA Trip Fee Due (\$350) Home Football vs. Canton | 2 |

Germantown Bands SEPTEMBER 2023



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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | |
| | | | | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | BOA Trip Fee Due (\$350) Home Football vs. Canton | | |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | |
| | Labor Day | | | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | Pep Band 2 to Warren Central | REHEARSAL 9a to 9p | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | |
| | | | | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | Home Football vs. West Lauderdale | | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | |
| | | | | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | Pep band 1 to Pearl | REHEARSAL 1p to 9p | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | |
| | | | | Community Pep Rally | Homecoming Vs. Gentry | Olive Branch Contest (All Day) | |

| Germantown Bands OCTOBER 2023 FINALIZED AND APPROVED 1/8/23 | | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | |
| | | | | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | Home Game vs. Starkville | STATE FESTIVAL & Pearl Invitational (ALL DAY) | |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | |
| | OFF | REHEARSAL 5p to 9p | Rehearsal 9a-12p | Rehearsal 9a-12p; 5p to 9p | Rehearsal 9a-12p Pep Band 2 to Tupelo | OFF | |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | |
| | | | | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | Home Game vs. Madison (Senior night) | 7A State Championships Northwest Rankin ALL DAY | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | |
| | | | | REHEARSAL 6p to 9p | BOA St. Louis (GMS Band to Clinton) | BOA St. Louis | |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| BOA St. Louis | | | | | | | |

| | Germantown Bands NOVEMBER 2023 FINALIZED AND APPROVED 1/8/23 | | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | | |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | | |
| | | | Concert Ensembles Begin | | GIP Reveal Party | | | |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | | |
| | Winterguard Auditions 4-6pm Germantown Band Booster Meeting 7pm | Winterguard Auditions 4-6pm | Winterguard Auditions 4-6pm | | GWG Reveal Party | GWG 8a to 12p | | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | | |
| | | | | GIP 4:30 to 8p | | | | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | | |
| | THANKSGIVING | THANKSGIVING | THANKSGIVING | Thanksgiving Day | THANKSGIVING | | | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 | | |
| | | | | GIP 4:30 to 8p | | | | |

| Germantown Bands DECEMBER 2023 FINALIZED AND APPROVED 1/8/23 | | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 | |
| | | | | GIP 4:30 to 8p | GWG 5-9p | GWG 1-6p | |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | |
| | | | | GIP 4:30 to 8p | GIP 4:30 to 8p | GLUCKSTADT CHRISTMAS PARADE GWG 1-6p | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | |
| | | | | GIP 4:30 to 8p | | | |
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GERMANTOWN BANDS

PERMISSION & MEDICAL RELEASE

(THIS FORM WILL BE USED FOR ALL BAND TRIPS)

| Student's Name: _ | | | | | Age: | Grade: | |
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| Parents or Legal G #1: | | #2: | | | | | |
| Address: | | | | _ City: Zip: | | | |
| Home Telephone: | | Work | <u> </u> | | | | |
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| Cell | archt #1 | 1 archit #2 | | | | | |
| Phones: | | / | | | / | | |
| | Parent #1 | · | Parent #2 | | | Student | |
| E-mail | | | | | | | |
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| I do further authorize the for expenses that may a Madison County School | rise from such treatr | nent, until such time as | a legal decision is r | nade to release me | | | |
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GHS BAND REMIND 101 CODES:

*GHS BAND: @24935 SECTION LEADERS: @GHSBANDSEC WIND SYMPHONY: @674H87 SYMPHONIC BAND: @K26F89 CONCERT BAND: @9HKKGC4 COLORGUARD: @GHSGCG

Everyone must sign up for

PERCUSSION: @HH9C9B

Germantown Band Boosters

Corporate Sponsorships and Summer Fundraising Information

We are off to a great start for our 2023-2024 fundraising efforts! Below is information regarding our corporate sponsorship program and our upcoming summer fundraiser.

Corporate Sponsorships

- Thank you to those who have either signed on as a corporate sponsor or connected us with area businesses.
- Our corporate sponsorship program will close on May 31, 2023, so if you know of a business we can connect with, please email gbandboostersfundraising@gmail.com.
- We have also attached the sponsorship form to this document.

Summer Fundraising Campaign: \$23 in '23



- Coming June 7, we will launch our summer fundraising campaign \$23 in '23.
- This student driven campaign will run for 23 days (June 7 June 30).
- This will replace the calendar fundraising campaign done in years past.
- More details about this campaign will be sent out in early June.



GERMANTOWN BANDS

2023-2024 Sponsorship Commitment Form



| Email: | | Level: | |
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| Name of Student (if app | plicable): | | |
| | | like it published in advertising materials and sen oosters@gmail.com for use in recognition. | nd a logo in |
| Level | Recognition | | Amount |
| Drum Major | Concession stand fence s Band decal and 2 tickets to Social media sponsor tha | w sponsor recognition announcement ignage in Maverick Stadium during football sea to annual Chili Fest event nk-you ecognition on competition days | \$1000 son |
| Section Leader | Band decal and 2 tickets to Social media sponsor that | nk-you ecognition on competition days | son \$500 |
| Booster | Band decal and 2 tickets to Social media sponsor tha Logo in band newsletter Recognition in concert pr | nk-you | \$250 |
| Additional terms of spo | onsorship (explanation if a | giving an in-kind donation of product or se | rvice, etc.): |
| Booster Representative | Date | Business Representative | Date |

Thank you for your financial support of Germantown Bands for the 2023-2024 school year!

Please make checks payable to Germantown Band Boosters. Form and payment may be returned to

Germantown Band Boosters, 409 Calhoun Station Parkway, Madison, MS 39110.

Dear Parents,

The Germantown Band Boosters are excited to introduce a new platform! Beginning Monday, May 15, you'll be receiving communications from us through BoosterHub with instructions and deadlines for paying your student's band fees, costuming fees, and BOA trip fees online. This system is replacing Charms and will hopefully be a more user-friendly experience for parents for paying fees, volunteering, and receiving communications. We encourage you to log into your student's new account to pay fees but will continue to accept cash, check, and Venmo as well. We appreciate your patience as we transition to this new system!

Below you will find the steps for getting started! Once you receive the BoosterHub invitation via email, you can create a password and download the BoosterHub app to keep the information easily accessible from your phone.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us!

Thanks,

Emily Carney

President, Germantown Band Boosters

gbandboosters@gmail.com

Alexis Wilkerson

Secretary, Germantown Band Boosters

gbandboostersec@gmail.com

Registering in BoosterHub

Once we add you to BoosterHub, you will receive two emails as shown below. If you don't receive a BoosterHub communication to the email address you have provided, please contact us.



From: BoosterHub <team@boosterhub.com> Date: May 4, 2023 at 6:00:58 PM CDT

To: dwilkerson94@yahoo.com

Subject: Join Germantown Band Boosters on BoosterHub

Germantown Band Parents,

The Germantown Band Boosters will be discontinuing use of Charms this month and moving to BoosterHub to manage our organization's activities. Creating a BoosterHub account will help you stay connected to the band program and make it easy for you to volunteer, pay student fees online, and engage with the group.

You will be receiving an invitation from team@boosterhub.com to join this new online platform. First, you will need to verify your email address to the link in that email. If you don't receive your email, please check your spam folder and add team@boosterhub.com as a contact.

Once you verify your email you can download the app in the Apple or Google stores and login. If you have any trouble logging in please visit <u>boosterhub.com</u> and use the live chat support. For further assistance you can also contact the boosters at <u>gbandboosters@gmail.com</u>.

We appreciate your patience as we transition to BoosterHub. We are looking forward to another legendary year!

Germantown Band Boosters



From: BoosterHub <team@boosterhub.com>
Date: May 4, 2023 at 6:00:58 PM CDT
To: dwilkerson94@yahoo.com
Subject: Join your team on BoosterHub!



Germantown Band Boosters has invited you to join BoosterHub. BoosterHub is an app used to connect your booster club. It makes it easy for you to contact other members, stay updated on events, volunteer and more.

Click the Join button below to get started! Once you join, you can download the app in the Apple or Google stores.

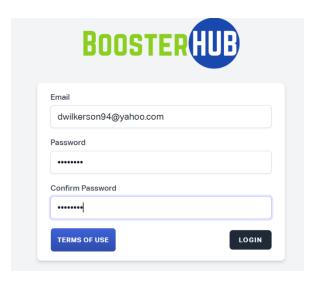
If you have any trouble with your join link, please contact us via boosterhub.com.



We can't wait for you to get started!

When you click Join, you will be directed to this screen to create your password and complete your registration. Setup options will include adding your contact info to a member directory (strictly optional), adding a photo, and setting your communication preferences. Once you've completed those steps, you can explore our BoosterHub page and pay your student's fees!

We are currently utilizing the Store for paying fees but will continue to add new BoosterHub features and capabilities this year!



Paying Fees in BoosterHub

- Login to BoosterHub via the web by visiting https://germantownbands.boosterhub.com or by using the BoosterHub app on your phone.
- From the homepage, click on Store to view the fees for this season. You can add items to your cart and check out when you are ready!
- Per the 2023-2024 contract, the fees being assessed to all GHS Marching Band members include:
 - Marching Band Fee of \$300 due June 2
 - Costuming Fee of \$200 due August 1
 - o Bands of America/St Louis Trip Fee of \$350 due September 1

Troubleshooting BoosterHub

If you don't receive an initial BoosterHub email to register, or if you are having any issues setting up your account or paying, please reach out to Alexis Wilkerson at gbandboostersec@gmail.com.

Germantown High School Band EVENT DAY PROCEDURES (EDP)

(Games, Competitions, Performances)

- 1. **To be on time is to be late, to be early is to be on time.** Students should arrive about 15 minutes early before every major event.
- 2. Students should never leave during an event without proper parental consent prior to the event—this includes documented consent submitted to a director 24 hours before the event. Students will need to attend the event in its entirety unless there is another school activity or similar (ACT Test, etc..) IF there is an emergency, the parents will need to either check the student out personally, or, contact a director via MCSD email. Students that are checking out after an event will need to provide documentation 24 hours prior to the even and ONLY the specified individual in the consent will be able to check them out.
- 3. After events: in most instances there will be a short period of time where the students will have to turn in uniforms, clean their areas and put away certain equipment. The students are not allowed to leave after an event until the directors dismiss them. This usually takes about 10-15 minutes after the event's conclusion. During this time, only band booster officers, directors and students are allowed in the band hall. Parents will need to wait in the parking lot for their students to finish. As soon as the students are officially dismissed, the directors will make sure the students exit the building in a timely manner. This is to protect the students. Especially during game nights our campus is an open campus. While we know every student's face, we do not know every parent, sibling, cousin, friend or grandparent's face. Thus, to keep from having any security lapses, only students, directors and booster officers will be allowed in the band hall.
- 4. Students need to be picked up/ checked out in a timely manner. We will distribute schedules at least week before the event and will include the dismissal time in the schedule. Please make necessary arrangements for timely transportation for your student after all events.



DragonFly MAX is an electronic health record designed to save you time & ensure the athlete is healthy and ready to participate in athletic competition. We focus on the details so you can focus on what matters...safe and healthy athletes.

Follow the easy steps below to get started using DragonFly MAX.

"I'M A PARENT"

- 1. Visit www.dragonflymax.com, click "Do My Forms" and follow prompts to the sign-up page.
- 2. On the sign-up page, click "Sign Up for Free".
- 3. Follow the prompts to create your Parent Account with your email address or phone number.
- 4. Enter your child's School Code when prompted and confirm this is the correct school.
- Click "Add A Child" in the DragonFly MAX web site, then follow the prompts to create your child's profile and complete his/her participation forms, including uploading any necessary documents.
- 6. After completing your child's forms, you can review his/her profile OR add another child's profile.

Now that you're done, download DragonFly MAX from the App Store or Google Play and sign in.

"I'M AN ATHLETE, COACH, OR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR."

1. Download the DragonFly MAX app from either the App Store or Google Play.





- 2. Click "Get Started" and follow the prompts to create your account.
- 3. Choose your role in the school (i.e. Athlete, Coach, Administrator, etc).
 - If you are a Coach or Administrator, select whether your school IS or IS NOT already using MAX. (Hint: If you have a School Code, then your school IS using MAX)
- 4. Enter your School Code (shown below) when prompted, then tap "Request" to join the school.

School Name: Germantown High School School Code: XYFHS5

Now you're all set! You can find out more about additional features at DRAGONFLYMAX.COM



GENERAL BAND QUESTIONS

Q: How can I get involved and help the Band Program?

A: When your student joins the band, you automatically join the Band Boosters! Our executive committee organizes volunteer and fundraising efforts for the band program. We need lots of parent help to run the concession stand during football season, assist with equipment and props on Friday nights and at competitions, and provide other additional support to the band staff and students. We will send out signups throughout the year with volunteer opportunities as well as donation requests like snacks and drinks. If you want to help in a specific way, please reach out to gbandboosters@gmail.com. Finally, encourage your kids! When things get tough...encourage them to persevere and commit. That is a huge help to directors.

Q: How will I receive important information?

A: Our directors utilize Remind 101 for most communications. They may also use email for longer messages. Weekly announcements and the calendar are posted on the band page (visit ghsmavs.com and click Student Life and Bands). The booster leadership also sends emails, publishes a newsletter (available on the band page), and posts frequently on the Germantown Band Boosters Facebook page.

Q: What are the band fees used for?

A: The band fees are used to support the general funding of the band program- in all areas and aspects. Examples include but are not limited to: band camp instruction- extra help, prop purchases, show design/designers, instruments, music, copyright licensing, various equipment needs, student food and other student supports.

Q: Why do I pay a separate costume fee?

A: Student costuming is paid by the member. These are designed for and are specific to the production. As such, at the conclusion of the season, the costumes (costume and shako wrap) are the students' to keep for their own memento. Additionally, marching students will need to provide their own black socks and will need to purchase their band/guard shoes if needed. We will have a representative here during band camp to take those orders- the students will pay him directly. More information will be sent out about that in the summer mailout. Students must wear this particular marching shoe (no substitutes). Additionally, hornline and guard members are given one pair of performance gloves for the season. Any additional gloves they may want to purchase can be purchased separately on their own.

Q: Where does my child keep their instruments, equipment, band camp supplies, etc?

A: Students are assigned a shelf space at the band hall. Costumes and uniforms will be kept in their garment bag in a labeled spot in the uniform closet.

Q: Can I enter the band hall before, during or after a practice, game or competition?

A: Due to safety concerns, only students, staff, and booster officers are allowed in the band hall at those times. See your *EDP*-Event Day Procedures handout.

Q: What is the best way to ask a director a question?

A: Please email a director with any questions. Before, during, and after rehearsals and performances are not ideal times for discussion because the staff is directing and supervising students. Encourage your student to ask questions themselves when possible—they can email or ask a director or talk to section leaders or captains.

Q: Can I watch rehearsals?

A: Sometimes. We will send word via remind on *certain* rehearsals where we will allow parents to watch, particularly as we get closer to competitions. However, generally speaking our rehearsals are closed to the public/parents to ensure our staff and students are focused on the task at hand.

Q: What blocks does band meet?

A: <u>Fall Semester</u>: Marching band meets 1st and 5th blocks during the fall semester. We start our day at 7:30AM- this allows for more time in the cooler weather. And the added time in the mornings allows us to operate on only 1 major after school rehearsal per week. This also allows student drivers or you to drop your student off early and beat the morning traffic.

Spring Semester: Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band- 1st Block

Concert Band- 7th Block Jazz Band/Winterguard/Percussion 5th block

Q: What is the expectation for attendance?

A: Students are expected to attend all classes and scheduled rehearsals, camps, games, and competitions and are encouraged to arrive early to be ready for practice to begin. Students will need time to store belongings and gather equipment so please plan accordingly. Please understand that if you arrive "on time" you are likely going to be/feel late as the scheduled start time is when we actually begin rehearsing. We try to stop rehearsing at the scheduled times but please know that this is the time we finish on the field or drill hill and equipment must be returned to the band hall before students are dismissed. We do ask that students or parents email a director when you know your student will be absent. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we try to maximize our practice time with your students!

BAND CAMP QUESTIONS

Q: Is practice gear required? How do I purchase?

A: We have a company that has rehearsal gear with logo, etc. for purchase via an online store that we will share with you. We highly recommend you purchase those because we know from years of experience that those garments will do well with students in the heat. Otherwise, marching students MUST have a white shirt and black athletic shorts of some kind for Thursday night rehearsals. Practice gear will also be available for guard members (tank and shorts).

Q: How does my child learn drill?

A: The students and staff use an app on their phone called Ultimate Drill Book (UDB). Additionally they will have tutorials about both the app and how to read a drill chart on their canvas course. The drill charts are a simple X/Y coordinate system where they have to plot themselves on a grid... the football field is the grid. So... the answer to some of their earlier math classes "When will I ever use this stuff??" Well....now you have an answer to give them. Band!

Q: How do lunch and dinner breaks work during band camp days? Can my child take food and stay at the band hall during those times?

A: Lunch will be from 11:30am to 1pm each day during full camp. Students can pack a lunch/dinner with them and eat in the band hall during breaks. We also have a microwave but cannot provide refrigeration. Students can be picked up by a parent/guardian and taken to lunch or have it brought to them to eat in the band hall. Or students can ride with another parent or friend to get lunch- but this must be pre-approved by both parents beforehand.

Q: What items are needed/required for summer practices and band camp?

A: A comprehensive list of needed equipment/items will be sent out in the summer mailout and reminders sent prior to each event for which they are needed.

MARCHING SEASON QUESTIONS

Q: What can I expect for home football games?

A: The band participates in all home games. Friday nights are a busy time for the students and staff! Students will be given a schedule for call time, Mav walk, eating, etc. The students stay together in the band section for show tunes throughout the game and perform their marching show at halftime. There will be a time designated for visiting concessions (the boosters often set up an area near the band stands to make this easier). We try to keep the students together as much as possible for safety, to stay on schedule, and to avoid confusion. The best time to say hello or take a photo on a Friday night will be when the students are visiting concessions before returning to their seats. When the game ends, the band will walk back to the band hall to put away equipment and gather belongings. Once that has been done, directors will dismiss students for the night. Parents and siblings are not allowed to enter the band hall before, during, or after a game for safety reasons.

Q: How do Friday night away games work? Does my student attend all away games? What do they wear for this, whether they play an instrument or are part of the color guard? Can I check them out from the away game?

A: The students are divided into two pep bands and will only be required to attend their assigned away games. Students will ride the bus to these games. If you wish to check out your student, you will need to email a director in advance and sign them out once they are dismissed. Hornline and percussion students will wear their pep band shirt (provided by band program) with khaki shorts or pants. Guard will wear black adidas joggers (or similar) with neutral sneakers (black, gray, white, etc) and guard jacket.

If your child has a conflict with their scheduled away games, at the discretion of a band director, your child will be responsible for finding their replacement. The student's replacement must play the same instrument and approve that they will substitute for that game and that both parties' parents agree on the substitution. Both students must communicate all of this to a band director.



2023 GHS BAND REQUIRED MATERIALS LIST

The following are required/graded materials and should be with you at every marching rehearsal/camp, etc.

- Instrument/Equipment
- 1" black binder with all music in page protectors and a pencil
- Ultimate Drill Book (UDB app) on your phone. More information on this to come.
- Personal Water Cooler-VERY IMPORTANT!
- Hat- Everyone must have and wear a hat for protection from the sun- no exceptions!
- Tennis shoes with socks- NO FLIP FLOPS OR SANDALS
- Comfortable, loose-fitting athletic clothing.

IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU PURCHASE THE REHEARSAL GARMENTS IN THE ONLINE STORE PROVIDED BELOW. But, students are not "required" to purchase their white shirt and black shorts. However, hornline and battery must have at least one white t-shirt and one pair of black athletic shorts (even if they are a generic plain white t-shirt or something similar) for Thursday night rehearsals and undergarments for their uniform. Ladies may purchase the sophie shorts if they chose, regardless of section. Guard members must purchase the pink 2023 tank and the sophie shorts.

The GHS Band does not turn a profit on these materials, and they are sold by a third party.

Germantown Rehearsal Garment Online Store is live now!

Cut off for orders is June 9th!

https://www.bluffcitysports.com/germantownband/shop/home

Additional materials:

- Long black socks for Thursday nights and performances (everyone but guard)
- Band shoes/guard shoes for those that do not already own—you must purchase these specific shoes.

The shoe fitting date will be:

- When: Friday, July 14
- Who: New members or those that need new/additional shoes
- Time: 12:30-2:30
- Band shoe: Super Drillmasters (Black) \$55.00- cash only
- Guard shoe: Everjazz (Nude) \$51.00- cash only
- Gloves: Hyperformance gloves (White) Brass: \$13.00. Woodwinds: \$14.00 All hornline/guard members will be provided with one pair of performance gloves by the band. If you would like to purchase extra gloves for rehearsal or just in general, you can purchase those at that time, or online. But they MUST be the type of glove listed above



INSTRUMENTAL PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are greatly beneficial to any and all students. We highly encourage participation in regular, weekly private lessons. There is a direct correlation between student achievement, enjoyment (and in most cases scholarship awards), and whether they are or were involved in private lessons.

In short, private lessons can greatly elevate your student's success in the band activity and can help them meet their goals quicker and foster more enjoyment.

We have an extensive, private lesson adjunct staff specializing in every instrument:

Flute

Ms. Amulet Strange- <u>amuletstrange@gmail.com</u> Gayle Entrekin- <u>entreking@netscape.net</u>

Clarinet

Carrie Swindoll- cswindoll@madison-schools.com
Ken Graves- kengraves07@gmail.com

Ali Taylor- allison.taylor@madison-schools.com

Oboe

Dr. Galit Kauntiz- galit.kauntiz@usm.edu

Bassoon

Jon Wenberg- hotairbassoonist@bellsouth.net

Saxophone

Michael Kemp- mikewkemp@gmail.com (virtual/distance only) Todd Bobo- saxitude2000@yahoo.com (in person)

French Horn

Mimi Linehan- brassduo@comcast.net

Trumpet

Jim Peacock- jpeacock@madison-schools.com Dr. David Ware- <u>drdavidnware@gmail.com</u> Wayne Linehan- <u>brassduo@comcast.net</u>

Trombone

Dr. Kyle Moore- <u>moorebassbone@gmail.com</u> Ken Lyon- <u>kenlyon@live.com</u>

Tuba/Euphonium

Ken Lyon- <u>kenlyon@live.com</u> (euphonium/no tuba) Darius Valentine- <u>dvalentine@madison-schools.com</u>

Percussion/Drums

Ryan Saul- <u>rya100@madison-schools.com</u>
TJ Salsberg- <u>tj.salsberg@yahoo.com</u>

<u>Harp</u> (only for those students cleared for taking harp per Mr. Harvison) Mandy Jones- mississippiharpist@gmail.com

Color Guard/Dance

Ethan Marcus- nomad2009@gmail.com

Please email Mr. Peacock, Germantown Band Private Lessons Coordinator at jpeacock@madison-schools.com for further information or to get your student set up in private lessons if you are interested.



Germantown High School Band Class Scheduling Aid

Please see the list below to ensure that your student is signed up for the correct classes.

FALL 2023

Marching Band-Required

ALL band students must be signed up for 1st and 5th block marching band

SPRING 2024

Required Ensembles- all Germantown Band students must be enrolled in one of the following per their audition results

Wind Symphony students- 1st Block

Symphonic Band students- 1st Block

Concert Band students- 7th Block

Optional/Supplemental Classes- band students may opt to take the classes below

Jazz Band students- 5th Block

Students interested in jazz band need to speak to Mr. Valentine before signing up

 $Winterguard\ Students-\ 5^{th}\ Block$ The winterguard will be an auditioned group for 2024. More info to come. Students interested in 2024 WG should go ahead and sign up for it on their schedule or see Ms. Taylor for further details or questions

Indoor Percussion/Percussion Students- 5th Block

This is a new class offering for those participating in indoor percussion. However, even those not participating in indoor percussion are encouraged to enroll in the class as well if their schedule permits. Please see Mr. Harvison, Mr. Craft or Mr. Saul for any questions about the spring '24 percussion class. Those planning to participate in the 2024 indoor percussion unit will need to sign up for this class.