

Marching Band FAQ's

Below are answers to some frequently asked questions regarding the Warrior Marching Band.
If you have any others please feel free to email me.

What is Band Camp?

Band camp is the time before school begins where the band can focus on refreshing their marching skills, learning and memorizing all the new music and learning their formations on the field for the marching show. It is also an opportunity to spend time together at the end of the summer and have some fun!! **Band Camp is a mandatory part of participation in marching band**

What are MICCA and NESBA?

MICCA stands for the Massachusetts Instrumental Choral & Conductors Association. NESBA stands for the New England Scholastic Band Association. They are groups that support music in the schools and sponsor marching band festivals for bands throughout the fall. The marching band will have the opportunity to perform in front of judges and an audience and be evaluated at each sponsored performance. More information can be found at www.miccamusic.org and www.nesba.org.

What is the user fee?

The user fee is collected at the high school for students to participate in extra curricular activities and athletics. The fee pays for staff stipends and all the operating costs of the marching band (instrument repair, music arranging and writing, drill writing, equipment, etc.). Marching band is considered a fall sport and the fee is \$175. The user fee (\$175) is due by Friday, June 15th to Mr. Bankert or Mr. Morel. Checks should be made out to "Wakefield High School". Please contact Mr. Bankert with any user fee questions.

What does the rehearsal schedule look like and will there be time for homework?

The rehearsal schedule during the school year will be two days a week and Saturdays.

*We will be rehearse on Tuesday and Wednesday during the season from 6:00-9:00.
Saturdays, TBA*

Color Guard will also rehearse starting at 4:30 Wednesday.

While this seems like a lot of time, if you are organized and plan your day you will have plenty of time to do homework, study and socialize. There are numerous students in the marching band that participate in other fall activities/sports as well as marching band. **If you want to be in marching band, we will try to make it work with other activities as long as schedules are set-up ahead of time!**