

CB West Marching Bucks

2021 Season: Student Handbook

Season Schedule- see full schedule at www.cbsd.org/ndelson

- **Summer rehearsal overview**
 - July "rookie" camp for new brass and woodwinds (July 13, 14, 15)
 - August band camp (August 9-12 and August 16-19). We do not rehearse on Fridays.
 - 4-6 additional rehearsals for percussion and guard members (see full schedule for details)
 - **Fall rehearsal overview** (post-band camp)
 - Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00pm-8:30pm
 - Football most Friday evenings, approximately 4 festivals on Saturdays
 - season ends in early-November (slightly later if football team makes the playoffs)
 - **Sectional rehearsals/social get-togethers**
 - several times throughout the season, organized by section leader
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What if I...

- **cannot make a summer date?**
 - With prior approval, a student may be excused from a summer rehearsal due to family vacation or other unavoidable commitment. It is essential that these conflicts are communicated with the director as soon as they arise.
 - Students who cannot attend the August Band Camp may not be able to fully participate in the CBWMB due to the amount of material covered during these rehearsals. Final approval is at the discretion of the director and CBW administration.
- **have financial concerns?**
 - **No student will be turned away from participating in ANY Band program for financial reasons.**
 - The CBWBPA (Band Parents Association) has set up a scholarship fund to assist families who need financial support with participation dues or equipment purchases.
 - Many fundraising opportunities are made available throughout the year to help students offset the cost of participation.
 - Scholarships are not available to defer the cost of our annual trips.
 - Contact Mr. Delson via email with any financial concerns.

Curricular Commitment

- All students playing a wind or percussion instrument must be registered for curricular Band, Orchestra, or Choir in order to be eligible to participate in the CBWMB
 - **Color Guard** members are not required to participate in large curricular ensembles, but many do.
 - Students enrolled in **MBIT** may not be able to schedule a curricular large ensemble, but **may still participate in CBWMB**. Please contact Mr. Delson for more details.

Financial Commitment

- **Marching Band Dues**
 - The registration fee for all participants is **\$235**
 - All percussionists will be responsible for an additional **\$15 stick fee**
 - Payment, along with your medical form is due on or before the first day of Band Camp.
 - Students may pay by **check, cash**, or use funds from his or her **student account**
 - We can accept payment in installments if it is more comfortable financially for you. Please contact Mr. Delson or the treasurer with any financial requests or concerns.
- **Marching shoes and gloves**
 - All members are required to purchase a pair of Dinkle brand marching shoes and white gloves
 - Dinkles cost approximately \$38 per pair
 - Gloves cost approximately \$2.50 per pair (first pair free for new members)
- **Fundraising**
 - All CBW Band Dept. members (Marching, Concert, Symphonic, and Jazz) are encouraged to fundraise to both support the program AND their own student accounts. Fundraising efforts support:
 - Purchase, repair, and maintenance of equipment,
 - Custom show music and drill each season
 - Additional trip expenses/clinicians/performance opportunities
 - New sheet music
 - Uniform maintenance
 - Adjunct staff salaries (marching band)
- **Student Accounts**
 - Many of our fundraisers offer opportunities to earn money towards your student account. Money in this account may be used to pay for our annual trip, student fees, purchase equipment, or other band-related costs.
 - Student balances are maintained by the CBWBPA Treasurer and can be viewed at any time.

CBW Band Spring Tour

TBD

Although all CBWMB participants are eligible to participate in our annual multi-day trip, we have not yet received word as to whether or not we will be permitted to travel during the 2021-2022 school year.

We will share more information as it becomes available.

Membership Agreement

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All Membership Agreement (commitment) forms will be completed online. Please visit www.cbsd.org/ndelson and click on the **Marching Band Registration** link on the front page to complete your form.

Please complete your forms by Thursday, May 21 to secure your place on the 2021 CBWMB roster.

If you have any trouble with the form, please contact me via email at ndelson@cbsd.org.

