



Band

NORTH BUNCOMBE HIGH SCHOOL

Marching • Concert Band •
Wind Ensemble • Jazz Band •
Indoor Percussion • Color Guard •
Winter Guard

Season 2022-2023 vol. 5 September



September brings all the hard work and all the hype together as we hit the field for our first half-time show, Homecoming, Community Give Back events, and our first marching band competition.

Many, many thanks to those of you who have already volunteered to serve the Blackhawk Band Family in a myriad of ways. You really know how to make the work feel like fun! We appreciate your positive attitudes, your willingness to complete difficult tasks and the love you show to our kids, again and again.

There are many more upcoming opportunities for members of the Band Family to join the fun and shine the light this season! (A gentle reminder: each family is expected to volunteer a minimum of 15 hours.)

Not yet a member of a committee? No problem - simply look for the volunteer request emails from Kaye Roberts (aka Granny Kaye) and sign up via Charms. Still struggling with your Charms account? Shoot us an email and we'll sign you up. Forgot to email or sign up prior to an event? Simply show up and pitch in.





Insider Info

NBBB Meeting
Monday, September 19
@ NBHS Band Room
6:00 PM



NB

Football Games

Sept. 23, Homecoming vs TCR October 14 vs Enka October 28, Senior Night vs Erwin

- · 8th grade marchers ride bus to NBHS
- Students remain after school for practice prior to the show.
- Students are given a dinner break @ 5:30.
- The Hospitality Committee is coordinating dinners for game days. Students receive an order form via email on Monday and must complete the form by Wednesday. Payment is due by Thursday band practice.
- Uniform Committee members assist students with jackets & shakos.
- Men In Black assist with transporting equipment/ instruments to the field.
- Publicity/Uniform Campaign Committee members set up the merchandise tent to display/sell merchandise.
- Pregame Band performs National Anthem on the field.
- Half time Band Family cheers wildly for band and color guard.;)
- 3rd Quarter Students have this quarter to socialize, get food. They return to the stands before the 4th quarter begins.
- End of Game Students and MIB transport equipment to the band room. Publicity Committee members disassemble merchandise tent. Students debrief with Mr. Brown. Uniform Committee members assist students with jackets/hats. Students are released by seniority.

September

1	Band-a-thon Begins
14	Community Give-back Twisted Laurel 11:00 am 'til closing
17	Community Give-back CA Diner's Pancake Dinner 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
23	Homecoming Parade & Game BBQ Sale Begins Pelican's Give back
24	Land of the Sky Festival Enka High School



Land of Sky Festival September 24 5:00 pm

Marching Blackhawks take the field

Enka High School 475 Enka Lake Rd, Enka Village, NC

Directions to the Festival

- 1. Get on I-26 E/US-19 S/US-23 S from Old Mars Hill Hwy
- 2. Continue on I-26 E to Asheville. Take exit 44 from I-40 W
- 3. Continue on US-19 S/US-23 S to your destination
 - Use the right 2 lanes to turn right onto US-19 S/US-23 S/US-74 ALT W
 - Continue to follow US-19 S/US-23 S
 - Turn left onto NC-112 E/Sand Hill Rd
 - · Turn right onto Enka Lake Rd
 - Turn left



October 1, 4:00 pm Music in the Castle

Tennessee High School 1112 Edgemont Avenue, Bristol, Tennessee

October 8, 4:00 pm ACRHS Competition,

AC Reynolds High School 1 Rocket Drive, Asheville, NC

October 29, TBA Knight Tournament

North Henderson High School 35 Fruitland Rd, Hendersonville, NC

The BIG Show!

What to Expect on Competition Day Competition Prep:

Typically, students report to NBHS for a morning rehearsal, help load the trailers, board the bus and head to the competition. Our band usually performs in the early afternoon or evening – Mr. Brown will share the arrival time/boarding time/performance time via Remind.

Competition Etiquette: Enka High School, host of our first competition, has a great website with info on competition etiquette (http://www.enkaband.com/competition-etiquette.html). We've added a few of our own observations to their well crafted hints for successfully navigating competition day:



Shine the Light!

One of our major goals for the season is to shine light in the greater community. We recognize each band that takes the field has worked diligently to get to this part of the season.

This may be the only competition some of the smaller bands attend. We refrain from sharing negative comments out loud or rudely displaying disappointment when other performances may be judged superior to ours. You never know whose Band Family is sitting around you or the effort they've made to be part of the competition. We win graciously. We lose graciously. We shine the light!



Sport your NB colors - time to show off that new t-shirt/hoodie/hat you purchased from our merchandise sales. Let's fill the stands with Blackhawks black, white, and a dash of red. Sitting together lets us have a greater impact when we cheer on the band.



Did you know the band receives points for crowd response to the show? We cheer for the Drum Major salute, solos, certain choreographed movements, and displays of sheer awesomeness.

Competitions take place, rain or shine! Dress for the weather. Layering of clothes is always helpful along with an umbrella/rain repellent outerwear and a seat cushion.

Families traveling separately from the band should plan to arrive in time to **find parking and purchase tickets**. It can be quite a hike from the parking lot to the field - allow enough time for the journey.

Tickets for the shows are approximately \$10 to \$15 per person, plus programs, which are usually \$3 to \$5.



There are concessions and vendors with band related merchandise.

Band-a-grams are sold at most competitions \$1-\$3. These are so much fun to hear over the PA system! Get creative and craft a personal message for your student, their section, or the entire band. Band-a-grams are read during band transitions on/off the field.

Our Performance Slot

Once called, the Blackhawks take the field.
 The band is given a 5 minute maximum prep time for setup and warm up. There will be deductions for any time taken over that. MIB must leave the field before that time expires.
 Once the band appears to be ready, or at 4

minutes, the announcer introduces the NBHS Marching Blackhawks. The first note of music will start the timing of the show and must occur within 30 seconds from the conclusion of the announcement introducing the band. The band is allowed a performance time of 7 to 11 minutes.



 The judges watch very closely to see if the band is synchronized, in step and correctly spaced.

(All that work with the dot sheets shows up here.)

- Musicality and showmanship are also judged.
- Separate judges are dedicated to judging the Color Guard and Front Ensemble.

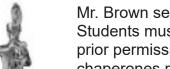
Post Performance

- The band marches off the field. They have 2 minutes to vacate the performance area which will be the conclusion of our 15 minute block. All props and equipment must be totally removed from the performance area within 4 minutes of the end of the performance.
- After performing, the students return to the bus, debrief with Mr. Brown and are free to get something to eat and sit in the stands to watch other bands.
- Most competitions and tournaments give out awards at one time. The Judges' evaluations are given to the Band Directors prior to the awards ceremony. The Band Directors go over the scores and can only challenge mathematical mistakes. Each size class has 3 or more categories of awards: Percussion,



Auxiliary (Color Guard) and Visual/ Instrumental. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place is announced – then there is sweepstakes which is the highest award. All are awarded strictly by the judge's calculations.

- The Drum Majors and Leadership Team represent the band on the field during awards. Watch for their unique salute when we win an award.
- After the Award Ceremony the leadership team brings awards to the band and celebrates together.



Mr. Brown sends a Remind for bus boarding time. Students must ride the bus back to NBHS unless prior permission is granted by Mr. Brown. Parent chaperones ride the bus and check roll to ensure all students are present.

- Students and Men in Black unload the trailor
- Students are released

Back to NBHS



You may pay all at once or follow the fee schedule:

	\$170 for high school students \$75 for 8th graders
September	\$165 for high school students \$50 for 8th graders

Total Fee: \$385 (\$175 for 8th graders)

Fees may be paid via Charms (PayPal) or by sending a payment to school and leaving it in the locked box in the band room. Mark payment envelopes with student name & reason for payment.

Partnership Marching Blackhawks & NBHS PTO and NBHS Cross Country Team



BLACKHAWK BOLT 5K

Register TODAY

https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Weaverville/ Blackhawkbolt5KatNorthBuncombeHighSchool

Visit TODAY

www.blackhawkbolt.com

Participant fee \$20=Free T-shirt if registered by Nov 1, 2022

Sponsorship Opportunities To Sponsor this event please contact **PTSO President Natalie Knauer** knauernatalie@gmail.com

SAVE the DATE • 10:00 a.m. November 19, 2022



Did you know it takes over \$60,000 yearly to operate the band program?

A Band-a-thon is a simple way to keep fees to a minimum, ensure every student has the opportunity to participate, and fund essential components of the program. A Band-a-



North Buncombe Band-a-thon Event

thon gives students an opportunity to set and work towards goals while they practice and play. It allows friends of the program to offer support without having to purchase items. Most importantly, 100% of every donation goes to the band program!

What is a Band-a-thon?

A Band-a-thon is a fundraising event where students ask family and friends all across the world to sponsor them by pledging to pay a specific amount of money per practice hour or pledge a flat donation.

When is the Band-a-thon?

The Band-a-thon kicked off on September 1, 2022, and will run through October 29, 2022. All pledges will be due by November 4, 2022.

How are funds collected?

Each week students turn in their envelopes with name and section on it with any cash or checks collected. Envelopes are placed in the band booster box in the band room.

Donations may be paid via:

- o Cash
- o Checks can be made out to NBBB (North Buncombe Band Boosters)



Donate to the Band-a-thon Online

At time of press - Saxophones are at the front of the leaderboard!!!

Students who raise more than \$250 will be entered into a drawing for a \$50 Visa gift card. The highest earning section will earn FREE entry and food to the next roller-skating event. More importantly, you help our band shine a beacon of light!

Annual BBQ | October 15

That's right! It's Back!



Big Event!

\$40 Whole Butt

\$15 1 Pound Pulled Pork

\$15 Full Plate - Meat, 2 fixin's, bread, dessert, and a drink

\$15 Vegetarian Plate - Grilled Mushroom, 2 fixin's, bread, dessert, and a drink

3:00 The Band eats

4:00 - 6:00 Dine with the Band Family & Friends

5:00 Senior Pinning

6:00 Band marches down Alabama, Church, & Main Street to the Concert on the green between the

First Baptist Church Weaverville and

Weaverville United Methodist Church on Main St.

- Students will be asked to sell at least 5 items each
- · Tickets distributed at band practice on Sept. 20

Volunteers needed:

- Ticket Sales @ Homecoming, Sept. 23
- BBQ Event

Set up/prep

Servers

Runners for to-go orders

Clean Up Crew

Merch Table Sales

VISIT CHARMS TO SIGN UP



Purchase BBQ
Online

Community Givebacks • Fundraising





September 23, 2022

Please come out and support our schools. The homecoming parade will begin at 4:30 pm. The streets will be closed from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The parade begins at the North Buncombe Middle School and travels down Main Street all the way to Reems Creek Road.

Marching Blackhawks tent in the Weaverville United Methodist Fellowship Hall Parking Lot

- BBQ tickets are on sale
- Accepting uniform donations



Thank you!

Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help at the Blue Ridge Relay. It was messy and fun. We appreciate

your time.





3:00-6:00 p.m. next to the

Marching Blackhawks tent in the Weaverville United Methodist Fellowship Hall Parking Lot.

Enjoy a sweet treat while you watch the parade and support the Marching Blackhawks. **Pelicans will give back 20% of the events profits to the band.**

15 flavors available.

Game - 7:00

Stop by the Marching Blackhawks Merchandise tent.

- NEW items Zip hoodies
- Stadium blankets
- Baseball hats, and more



Thank you!

Thank you to the Twisted Laurel, community and Marching Blackhawk family for being a part of our community giveback. The event was a success!

CA's DINER

Weaverville's Best Kept Secret

Thank you!

Thank you to the CA's Diner, community and Marching Blackhawk family for being a part of our community giveback. We had a great time.

Marching Blackhawks Perform after game.



Sharp Dressed Band New Uniform Fundraiser

North Buncombe High School's Marching Blackhawks is a community class act! You will find us marching down Main Street in both October and December, adding musical excitement to every home football game from August through October, and representing the North Buncombe School District at regional marching band competitions during September and October. This band of talented students is performing in used uniforms that are 18 years old!

We are very grateful to our community, band family, and friends who have contributed.

Coming Soon!

The Grand Reveal of our new uniform design!!!

Design sketches are complete. We'll soon have a sample uniform to add to our merchandise display! Only \$13,000 more is needed to place our order. Let's keep reaching out to the Blackhawk community to make this goal a reality.



