

LRHS Band News and Notes 03/14/2024 Edition 28

Important March - April 2024 Dates:

- Monday, March 18th: Orchestra MPA; Instruction sheet linked below
- Tuesday, March 19th: Bands Club Meeting ***See Bands Club Note below***
- Thursday, April 4th Monday April 8th: CB/SB Spring Trip
- Friday, April 12th: IB and Orchestra Festivals of Music Performance Carowinds
- Friday, April 19th: Central Jazz MPA
- Friday, April 26th: NCBA All-State Honor Band
- Other important Dates: Please link to LRHS Band Google Calendar: <u>Calendar Leesville Road High School Bands (leesvilleband.org)</u>; the <u>Orchestra Website and Calendar: Leesville Road High School Orchestra</u>; All Ensembles' dates (combined programs) can be found highlighted at this link: <u>Ensembles Calendar</u>

New Bands Club Announcements:

- 1. Next Bands Club Meeting: The next <u>Band Club meeting is Tuesday</u>, <u>March 19th</u> and among other topics, we will be discussing the Spring Trip to Atlanta. We'd like to put a special request for <u>all chaperones to attend</u> if possible. Even if you aren't chaperoning, we will go over the agenda, so please come learn about this wonderful experience our students are about to have!
- 2. Board Positions Please Read: Are you a non-senior parent currently holding a committee or board position and you don't want to continue in that role for the 2024-2025 school year? Are you interested in a different committee or board position? If so, please let Allison Bullard (abullard2@wcpss.net) know.
- 3. Important News from the Fundraising Committee

Capital Campaign Fundraiser (runs through May 2024)

Wow, I'm AMAZED by the generosity of former and current band families as I was reading the back of the Festival Concert program. Thank you to those who've already given to this wonderful fundraiser. I'm going to challenge and encourage those of you who've not given to try and do so by the end of May, if possible. <u>Each donation</u>, large or small, is very much appreciated and will help purchase items on the director's wish list.

- a new sousaphone to replace a 30-year-old instrument
- renovations to the aging band room's instrument storage

To donate by credit card: Click the Donate button at the bottom of the band's website (https://www.leesvilleband.org/home/).

Review the attached letter for more details.

2023-24 Capital Campaign Letter.pdf

IT'S BACK....BBQ Fundraiser – Saturday, May 4th – Springdale Pool Parking Lot

Mark your calendar and be on the lookout for more details regarding reserving your plate and how you can help to make this a very successful event.

- 4. Carowinds Trip Payments: Orchestra and Intermediate Band families: Carowinds payments are now past due. Trip payments (\$200 for students, \$90 for chaperones) are made via credit or debit card in Charms. If you have not already done so, add money to your student's Charms ledger through the "make miscellaneous payment" procedure outlined at this link:
 - **■** Adding Money to the Charms Student Ledger

New Announcements from the Directors:

1. New Orchestra Website: The new Orchestra Website is up and running. It can be found via the following link:

LRHS Orchestra

Orchestra families will find all the dates and info they need here. Most important for our families will be the calendar page, so that everyone can see and have easy access to it.

- 2. All Ensembles Website and Calendar Links: ALL Ensembles, IB, CB, SB, Orchestra, Jazz Band, Percussion Ensemble plus other important dates for students and parents to be aware of, can be found at the following link: <u>LRHS</u> Ensembles Calendar
- **3. ECU Summer Band Day for High School Band Students:** All the info about this fun summer Marching Band experience can be found at this link:
- ECU Summer Band Day for High School Students 2024

Previous Announcements:

1. Band Camp for the 24/25 Band Season - Important Updates:

Dates for Band Camp and Pre-Band Camp are SET and currently in the Symphonic Band Google Calendar. Please note there are a few changes this summer. We have to be finished with Band Camp by August 1st due to LRHS Sports Tryouts. We wanted to push band camp as LATE as possible as our first Home Game is on August 23rd and we don't want to forget everything we learned!

Here are those dates written out:

- Leadership and Rookies (First Year SB Students) ONLY at LRHS: July
 15th and 16th (Mon/Tue)- 8am 12pm
- Percussion and Guard ONLY at LRHS: July 15th and 16th (Mon/Tue) -8am-4pm
- Pre-Band Camp at LRHS:
 - July 17th -19th , 22nd and 23rd (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday) ALL 8am-12pm, Percussion and Guard will continue until 4pm.
- Band Camp at Lees McRae College:
 July 25th July 31st (Thursday through Wednesday) Overnight Camp

- August Rehearsal Dates: Tentatively August 13, 15, 20 and 22 from 6-8:30pm - We are waiting to hear back from Mrs. Jacobs
- 2. Bands Club Meeting January 2024 Meeting Minutes: In case you missed the January Bands Club meeting, you can read all the important updates in the minutes linked here:
 - **2024-01 Bands Club Meeting Minutes.doc2**3/24.26