



LRHS Band News and Notes

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Important April - Early May 2024 Dates:

- **Thursday, April 4th - Monday April 8th:** CB/SB Spring Trip; [Information Sheet](#)
- **Friday, April 12th:** IB and Orchestra Festivals of Music Performance - Carowinds; [IB and Orchestra Carowinds Instruction Sheet](#)
- **Friday, April 19th:** Central Jazz MPA; [Jazz MPA Instruction Sheet](#)
- **Friday, April 26th:** NCBA All-State Honor Band
- **Saturday, May 4th:** Bands Club Annual BBQ Fundraiser; [Flyer](#)
- **Other important Dates:** Please link to LRHS Band Google Calendar: [Calendar – Leesville Road High School Bands \(leesvilleband.org\)](#) ; the [Orchestra Website and Calendar: Leesville Road High School Orchestra](#) ; All Ensembles' dates (combined programs) can be found highlighted at this link: [Ensembles Calendar](#)

New Bands Club Announcements:

1. 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. Each donation, 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

Band BBQ Fundraiser - Pre-Order Plates via Go Fan:

[Band BBQ Fundraiser](#)

It is time to pre-order plates for our annual **LRHS Bands Club Barbecue Fundraiser** on **May 4, 2024** at the **Springdale Pool parking lot**. Please see the attached flier for information on how to order and details on the wonderful food options. There are 3 plate options, each served with green beans & potatoes, slaw, and a Hawaiian roll. Drinks are *excluded* and may be purchased onsite.

Some walk-up plates may be available for purchase via credit card (no cash) the day of the event but are not guaranteed. Therefore, we encourage band families and friends to secure plates by pre-ordering **before April 26, 2024**. Food pick up is between 11 am until 2 pm sharp on May 4.

We also need some parent and student help the day of the barbecue. Please go to our sign up genius to see how you can help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4FAEAB2DA2FE3-47726062-lrhs#/>

If you have questions, our barbecue fundraising co-chairs are
Melanie Shoffner (mbshoffner620@gmail.com) and
Kristi Phillips (kphillips136@gmail.com)

- 2. LRHS Bands Club March Meeting Minutes:** Please read the minutes from the LRHS Bands Club March Meeting. It has all the details on current Bands Club activities:

[LRHS Bands Club March Meeting Minutes](#)

- 3. 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. **Color Guard Clinics for 24/25 School Year:** Join Color Guard for the 2024 Fall Season. Those new to our band program may not be familiar with Color Guard so here is a little info:

“Color guard is an outdoor performance-based group that competes along side the marching band. You will have the opportunity to spin a flag, dance, and spin weapons.”

Read the following flyer to learn more about the clinics in preparation for the next season:

[LRHS Color Guard 2024](#)

2. **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.

3. **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: [LRHS Ensembles Calendar](#)
4. **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. 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.