



LRHS Band News and Notes

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Edition 32

Important April - May 2024 Dates:

- **Wednesday, April 17th - Saturday, April 20th:** **LRHS Pride Productions - Mean Girls - The Musical**; See Announcement in the Directors' News below for Show Days and Times
- **Friday, April 19th:** Central Jazz MPA; [Jazz MPA Instruction Sheet](#)
- **Friday, April 26th:** NCBA All-State Honor Band; [NC All-State Honor Band Clinic Instruction Sheet](#)
- **Saturday, May 4th:** Bands Club Annual BBQ Fundraiser; [Flyer](#)
- **Thursday, May 9th:** IB and Orchestra Spring Concert at 6PM
- **Thursday, May 9th:** CB and Jazz Band Spring Concert at 7PM
- **Friday, May 10th:** SB Spring Concert at 7PM
- **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

PRE-ORDER YOUR PLATES FOR THE BAND BBQ TODAY!!

****Last day to pre-order is Wednesday, April 24th so do not wait.**

BBQ Fundraiser – Saturday, May 4th – Springdale Pool Parking Lot

Three options for **\$12 each**:

- Half Chicken plate
- BBQ Pork & Chicken Combo plate
- BBQ Pork Plate

All plates are served with a green bean/potato mix, slaw, and a Hawaiian roll. Yummy!

Note: The chicken is basted twice with a special sauce during the grilling process.

Drinks excluded; bring exact cash the day of the event for drinks (\$1 each).

Two ways to order by credit card:

- 1) Go directly to the **GoFan** app and search **Leesville Road High School Bands Club**. Click the **BBQ event**, then click **Buy Tickets** to place an order.
- 2) Click **this attachment** to order via a **QR code** or order via the **GoFan link** below.

https://gofan.co/app/school/NC1303_1

LIMITED plates for walk-up orders the day of the event so don't miss out. Help us make this the most successful BBQ event in the history of the Band. Spread the word...tell your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc.

Volunteers are still needed for this event. Please sign up to help at the following link:

[BBQ Volunteer Sign Up Genius](#)

Questions? Contact the organizers: Melanie Shoffner at mbshoffner620@gmail.com or Kristi Phillips at ksphillips136@gmail.com.

Capital Campaign Fundraiser (runs through May 2024)

Let's show our appreciation for Mrs. Colburn and Mr. Cvijanovic and the **OUTSTANDING** achievements they helped our musicians achieve this year by donating to this wonderful fundraiser. ***Our goal is \$25k. As of the March Bands Club meeting we had raised over \$16k which is great. Do your part, big or small,*** to help our fantastic directors purchase the items on their wish list (a new sousaphone to replace a 30-year-old one and renovations to the instrument storage area).

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, as well as to give by check.

[Capital Campaign Letter](#)

Reminder: Continue Fundraising!!!! Build Your Student Account Balance

Even though trip payments have been collected for this year, underclass families should continue to sign up and fundraise for Band Camp, next year's Fair Share, and before you know it more Spring trip payments. Remember, this balance rolls over to next year or to another sibling. At the end of your time in the band, any fundraised money can be contributed to the Capital Campaign or it automatically rolls over into the General Bands Club account. The band will benefit from any money you have leftover 😊.

2. Venue Fundraising News!!! Building your students Charms Account can be done by working at some of the venues that have offered our Bands Club that opportunity. Here's how:

We have a unified spreadsheet for volunteer opportunities.

[Signup Genius](#)

[Consolidated Volunteer Information \(includes signup genius link\)](#)

Tabs are at the bottom for information on each venue.

If you have any questions, you can contact: Dkswann@gmail.com or 919.645.7290

New Announcements from the Directors:

1. LRHS and Pride Productions Proudly Present - Mean Girls The Musical:

The talented LRHS students take to the stage this week to perform *Mean Girls*. *Come support our incredible arts department - theater, tech theater, band, dance, and chorus are working together to make this show a success!* Tickets are selling fast! Get yours today - <https://leesville.booktix.net/>
Special student ticket prices for Friday evening and Saturday matinee.

Show Dates:

April 17, 2024 at 4:30 PM

April 18, 2024 at 7:00 PM

April 19, 2024 at 7:00 PM

April 20, 2024 at 2:00 PM

April 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM

PG-13 due to mature situations and language.



2. **Jazz MPA is next Friday, April 19th.** The Instruction sheet for this event is linked in the “Important Dates” box above. We need chaperones to travel with us to this event. Plus, we would welcome a few more if they wanted to join us. It would be great for our students to have an audience to cheer them on! Please let Mr. Cvijanovic if you would like to help out.
3. **NC All-State Honor Band Weekend - Friday, April 26th - Sunday, April 28th:**

Congratulations to our band students who were selected for this year’s All-State Honor Band. The instruction sheet for this event can be found at the following link:

[NC All-State Honor Band Clinic Instruction Sheet](#)

4. **Summer Jazz Opportunity for High School Students - 2024 Furman University/Greenville Jazz Collective Summer Jazz Camp:**

We received the following information from the Director of Jazz Studies at Furman University:

Dear fellow jazz educators,

Earlier this month, you should have received a mailing regarding the **2024 Furman University/Greenville Jazz Collective Summer Jazz Camp**, to be held at Furman June 23-27, 2024! The camp is designed for middle and high school students of all

levels, and it will include instruction by the best jazz musicians in Upstate South Carolina. Find all of the information about camp right here:

www.furman.edu/SummerJazzCamp

Registration opens today and continues through the month of April.

Students will perform in small and large jazz ensembles and receive instruction on improvisation, jazz history, jazz theory, and instrument-specific topics. Your students will return to school with a greater understanding of jazz theory, more refined improvisational skills, and a better sense of jazz style. We hope they'll be inspired to continue their study of this great music!

The camp is a partnership by Furman University and the Greenville Jazz Collective, a non-profit organization that has been raising the level of jazz performance and education since 2012.

Summer Jazz Camp runs from Sunday, June 23 to Thursday, June 27, with special clinicians' concerts every night at 7:30 PM and a final student concert at 3:00 PM on June 27th. All concerts are free and open to the public, and **rehearsals and masterclasses are open to all band directors**. The cost is \$575 for overnight campers and \$455 for commuters per student, but ***the Greenville Jazz Collective is offering scholarships based on need. To apply for or inquire about scholarships, email JazzCamp@greenvillejazzcollective.com.***

We look forward to seeing your students in June! Please share this email with your students, friends, family, or anyone else who might be interested in immersing themselves in jazz at Furman this summer!

Sincerely,

Matt Olson

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[Music at Furman](#)

[Furman Jazz Studies on Facebook](#)

[Furman/Greenville Jazz Collective Summer Jazz Camp](#)

Reminder! Registration is open until April 30 (but will likely get extended). We're close to full on drummers (maybe 1-2 more...), but have plenty of space for all other instruments!

FURMAN UNIVERSITY AND GREENVILLE JAZZ COLLECTIVE

2024 SUMMER JAZZ CAMP



COME SWING WITH US

WHEN:
June 23-27, 2024

WHO:
High school students and others by recommendation

COST:
\$575 residential or \$455 day camp (scholarships available)

HIGHLIGHTS:
Big Band, Small Combos, Jazz History, Theory, Improvisation, Jam Sessions, Master Classes

Registration open Feb. 1-April 30

CAMP CLINICIANS:
Matt Olson, Saxophone & Camp Co-Director
Brad Jepsen, Trombone & Camp Co-Director
Tim Blackwell, Drums
Ian Bracchitta, Bass
Keith Davis, Piano
Shannon Hoover, Bass
Adam Knight, Guitar
Kevin Korschgen, Drums
Tim Leahey, Trumpet
Chris Mitchell, Saxophone
Justin Watt, Drums
Tom Wright, Saxophone

Scan the QR code to learn more.



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. 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](#)

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](#)

4. 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](#)

5. 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.