WARNER ROBINS HIGH SCHOOL



DENON MARCHING BAND



2024



WRHS BAND MISSION STATEMENT

Through partnerships with families, school, alumni, and the community, the mission of the Warner Robins High School Band is to develop each individual's "Commitment to Excellence" for achieving success in every aspect of their life.

WRHS Band Philosophy

The members of the **WRHS** Bands have made a tradition of their **commitment** to excellence. The past years of commitment, established by alumni and current performers, challenge each of its members to take pride in past accomplishments and make a **personal commitment** to the band's future success. To meet this responsibility of maintaining our quality reputation, we must continually reaffirm our artistic, educational, and recreational goals.

Our **Artistic** Goals are to achieve maximum musical impact upon our audiences and ourselves through the performance of the finest literature available in each band medium with musical integrity and the highest musical standards.

Our **Educational** Goals are to increase student musicianship through technical development, and to help develop outstanding leaders with a sense of loyalty, pride, and commitment to the band, the school, and themselves.

Our **Recreational** Goals are to provide a wholesome opportunity for members to have a worthwhile use of time in a quality educational/social environment. This is also a chance to form relationships that will last a lifetime.

As a member of the **WRHS Band** program, you represent our community, our school, its many friends and alumni, and your family. This is your opportunity to share in the outstanding traditions of the **Warner Robins High School Bands**. You <u>will</u> be the personification of:

PRIDE, DIGNITY & CLASS

2024

WRHS Marching Band Information Guide and Policy Highlights

We are looking forward to a most successful and exciting marching season. A **COMMITTMENT** on the part of each and every member is <u>required</u> to reach our goal of "excellence". In order to make such a commitment, the following information highlights the participation and financial requirements for the upcoming season. We are glad to have you as a member of our WRHS Marching Band and look forward to working together to provide you with a most memorable and rewarding experience.

Rehearsals, Competitions and Performances

ALL rehearsals are REQUIRED in order for our band to achieve the highest level of performance. ALL students MUST be ON TIME for EVERY practice!!! You are hurting the band when you are absent!

Participation in ALL competitions and performances is also REQUIRED! A detailed calendar will be given out during summer rehearsals. Date changes will be posted on the whiteboard in the band room as well as the band web-site (CutTime/CUTTIME/CHARMS) and via e-mail. Please keep these dates open and watch the whiteboard, e-mail and web-site for further updates. Bands perform. That's what we do!

COSTS

Modest funding is provided by the county to support our instrumental music program. Our booster organization has planned several fundraising activities to cover a portion of the investment in our students' instrumental music education. However, student fees are needed to cover the remaining expenses associated with our program and trip costs.

Fundraising

To help defray some of the costs, the boosters have planned some incentive programs for selected fundraisers. Specific details related to such incentives will be provided for the designated fundraiser. **Each family is expected to participate in fundraising efforts.** To provide quality experiences and opportunities, **participation in all fundraisers is required.**

Insurance

Houston County Schools requires each student to be covered by some form of medical insurance. Please refer to your school handbook for details of school insurance if you do not have medical insurance coverage. <u>This information MUST</u> be included on the Marching Band Medical form.

CONDUCT

In keeping with our "Commitment to Excellence," students will be expected to adhere to all Houston County Schools behavior policies as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct. Students who cannot behave and represent Warner Robins High School with PRIDE, DIGNITY & CLASS should find another activity. Your behavior is more important than your performance. That said, we want you to strive for perfection in performance. How important is your behavior if our expectations are that high for your performance?

Ouestions

We are glad to have you as a member of our WRHS Marching Band and look forward to working together to provide you with a most memorable and rewarding experience. For any questions pertaining to the above, please contact: todd.howell@hcbe.net.

Physicals

The WRHS marching band requires that the parents of all participating students affirm that their child is healthy enough to participate in this activity. **WRHS Band reserves the right to require individuals to have a physical on file prior to participation or continuation in the activity.** The cost of this physical will be the responsibility of the parent of the participating student.

HYDRATION is *YOUR* Responsibility

The health and welfare of your child is of utmost importance to us at WRHS. For that reason, I will make several suggestions to keep your child in the best possible shape for performance endurance. Although we can make these suggestions, it is up to the student and guardian to abide by these recommendations.

- 1. Make sure that your child is healthy enough to participate. If necessary, please have your child see a doctor for a physical exam.
- 2. **Invest in a Camel Back (IT IS REQUIRED!)** Freeze the water the night before so that your child can have cold water during the afternoon practice. <u>Your child should be drinking 16-32oz</u>. of water an hour every hour while in this heat! During after school rehearsals between 3:00pm and 5:30pm (2.5 hours) they should have between 40-80 ounces of water. Preach to your child the importance of drinking enough water.
- 3. **NO CAFFEINE** is allowed. It acts as a diuretic. (It actually dehydrates you!) **NO SODA!** By the time your mouth feels dry, your body is already dehydrated.
- **4.** <u>Send a **healthy** afternoon snack</u> (not chips or snack cakes) to eat right before band practice. For endurance to occur, the body needs energy in the form of food. Send fruits, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, frozen grapes, raw veggies, protein bars, etc. A heavy meal before a performance or practice will make them sick. **No chips, candy, or junk food!**
- 5. **Make sure that your student eats lunch.** Chips or fries alone does not provide enough energy for students to survive a 2.5-hour practice in this heat! Marching band season requires energy for the body. Please eat a healthy lunch every day.
- 6. **Make sure that your student wears the appropriate clothing.** Dark colors retain heat. Wear lightweight, light colored clothing (<u>band practice shirts.</u>) * Jeans are not lightweight. **DO NOT WEAR JEANS TO PRACTICE FROM JULY to OCTOBER.**
- 7. Make sure that your child wears sunscreen and instruct them to reapply each hour.
- 8. **Know the warning signs of heat exhaustion and push fluids** (sports drinks help to replenish minerals lost in sweat.) * Dizziness, headache, irritability, nausea, vomiting, dry mouth, heavy sweating, pale clammy skin, muscle cramps, weakness, extreme tiredness, dark urine and fainting.

See signs and symptoms of heat stroke http://www.bt.cdc.gov.disasters/extremeheat/heat_guide.asp

Our band is only as strong as the weakest member. We must pull together in this effort to stay physically fit by adhering to the above guidelines.

Warner Robins High School Marching Band

BAND CAMP NEEDS 2024

- 1. Your instrument or equipment and <u>ANYTHING</u> that makes it work!
- 2. The proper mouthpiece
- 3. A 1½-2'3 RING BINDER notebook with plastic sheet protectors. All students MUST have this at EVERY rehearsal.
- 4. 3 pencils
- 5. Shoulder strap for 3 ring binder.
- 6. *********** *Large Camel Back* !!!!!!!!
- 7. A LARGE *RED*& WHITE Water Cooler. No other colors allowed.

(DO NOT SHARE WATER!)

- 8. ***** A TUNER / Metronome App
- 9. 1 bag of 10-12inch BALLOONS (seriously Brass & Woodwinds only)
- 10. Tennis shoes (preferably old) must have arch support!

<u> – NO Flip-flops/slides or bare feet!!!</u>

- 11. Sun screen (at least SPF 30)
- 12. A Music lyre for your instrument (also required for Friday nights!)
- 13. A hat
- 14. Sunglasses
- 15. Sun screen for lips (i.e. DCT spf 25)
- 16. Bug repellant
- 17. Towel for stretch out
- 18. A Cell phone or tablet with the Ultimate Drill Book (UDB) app (ONLY during Drill Learning Time).
- 19. Patience & Kindness when dealing with other students.
- 20. A GREAT ATTITUDE & FANTASTIC WORK ETHIC®

WRHS MARCHING BAND REQUIRED MOUTHPIECES

The MOUTHPIECE is CRITICAL to getting a mature band sound!!!

BRASS

- * Trumpet: Trumpet-Bach 3C or Blessing 3C
- * Trombone/Baritone: Bach 6 ½ AL or Blessing 6 ½ AL (large or small bore, depending on your instrument)
- * Tuba: Bach 18 or Conn Helleberg

WOODWINDS

-NO CHEAP REEDS! NO PLASTIC REEDS!!! NO METAL MOUTHPIECES!

They make you and your band sound BAD!

* Clarinet: Premier by Hite or Vandoren B45

Reeds: #2 ½ Vandoren (3 reeds on hand at all times!!!!)

* <u>Alto Saxophone:</u> Selmer C* for Selmer saxes (Your private teacher may recommend another mouthpiece.)

Reeds: #2 ½ Vandoren (3 reeds on hand at all times!!!!)

* Tenor Saxophone: Premier by Hite or Selmer C* for Selmer saxes

Reeds: #2 ½ Vandoren or Rico Royale (3 reeds on hand)

* <u>Bari Saxophone:</u> Selmer C* for Selmer Saxes

Reeds: #2 ½ Vandoren or Rico Royale (3 reeds on hand)

* Bass Clarinet: Premier by Hite

Reeds: #2 ½ Vandoren or Rico Royale (3 reeds on hand)

* Percussion: You will be required to purchase and supply your own mallets and sticks for use in marching band and band class. We provide the instruments; you provide the sticks & mallets. Mr. Castro will inform all percussionists of their mandatory stick requirements during the audition process.

Warner Robins High School Demon Marching Band

Spring Training

This year we will be having a Marching Band "Spring Training" as a chance to see what high school marching band is like. Students will meet current band members and future leaders, learn some of the basics of marching with the band, and socialize with each other as an introduction to the WRHS Demon Marching Band. We are asking all new students to attend this brief marching band primer on **Saturday**May 4, 2024 from 9:00am until 12:00pm.

Saturday May 4, 2024 9:00am – 12:00pm

Come on out and have fun at the WRHS Demon Marching Band Spring Training!

We can't wait to see you!

WRHS Drumline / Percussion Audition:

The audition process for the 2024 WRHS drum line, aka RDC (Robins Drum Corps), will be a gradual process over three days (April 24, 25 & 26). At these sessions each student will be given the opportunity to audition for any position within the unit, i.e. Snare, Tenors, etc. No one is guaranteed a spot and everyone, including returning members, must audition to be considered for next year's group. There will be no exceptions to this. Attendance is required and absences will be frowned upon. Absences may jeopardize acceptance into or placement in the group. An absence may be excused only if Mr. Castro is contacted well in advanced. The absence must be a legitimate one, i.e. sickness, etc. Being absent and failing to communicate with Mr. Castro will be considered an unexcused absence. Below you will find times and dates for the percussion audition sessions. We will continue our tradition of being one of the best marching percussion units in our area. Please come out and be a part of our award winning unit, RDC. If there is a problem, please contact me at the contact information below.

All students will need are sticks and mallets, an open mind, and a good attitude.

All band fees must be paid up to date in order to audition.

Audition Schedule:

Wed 04/24/24 (3:15pm-5:15pm) WRHS Band Room

Thurs 04/25/24 (3:15pm-5:15pm) WRHS Band Room

Friday 04/26/24 (3:15pm-5:15pm) WRHS Band Room

A bus from HMS & WRMS will be provided to the school. Parents must pick up students at WRHS.

Contact Info:

Miguel Castro: Percussion Coordinator

E-mail: miguel.castro@mga.edu

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Color GuardAuditions

WRHS April 22-26, 2024

3:15pm-5:15pm

WRHS Main Campus GYM

A bus from HMS & WRMS will be provided to the school. Parents must pick up students at WRHS.

The WRHS Color Guard is open to any student (male or female) that has not left the WRHS Band program or previously quit the color guard.

All band fees must be paid up to date in order to audition.

Warner Robins High School Demon Marching Band Summer Dates 2024

JULY 2024

| July 8-12 | 7:30am - 5:00pm | Color Guard & Percussion Camp (lunch provided), Leadership Attendance Required |
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| July 9 | 7:30am-4:00pm | Marching Camp (New Members & 2 nd year marchers) Brass & Woodwinds (lunch provided) – Attendance Required |
| July 9 | 6:00pm | Required Parent meeting for students using school-owned instruments |
| July 9 | 6:45pm | WRHS Band Parents Association meeting |
| July 10-12 | 7:30am-4:00pm | FULL Marching Band - ALL MEMBERS report (lunch provided) Attendance Required |
| July 13 | TBA | Uniform Fitting – Musicians (Schedule TBA) |
| July 15-19 | 7:30am - 5:00pm | BAND CAMP ATTENDANCE is REQUIRED (lunch served) |
| July 22, 23 | 7:30am – 12:00pm | FULL BAND practice |
| July 25 | 4:00pm – 6:00pm | FULL BAND practice |
| July 25 | 6:00pm | Marching Band 101 (Required meeting & PERFORMANCE) at least 1 parent and DMB student |
| July 29 | 4:00pm – 6:00pm | FULL BAND practice |
| July 31 | 8:00am – 3:00pm | 1st Day of School!!! |

<u>AUGUST 2024</u> (Note: <u>This is only the 1st week of August</u>. There will be more practices. See the detailed calendar on-line.)

| August 1 | 3:00pm - 5:30pm | FULL BAND practice |
|----------------|-----------------|---|
| Aug. 5,6,8 & 9 | 3:00pm - 5:30pm | FULL BAND practice |
| August 10 | 8:30am | WRHS Band Family Day (Required PERFORMANCE Students report @ 8:28am, performance @ 10:00am) |

After school practices will be held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and (sometimes) Fridays from 3:00pm-5:30pm. Students should report to the band room by 3:10pm to prepare to march to the field as a unit. There is a *possibility* that we may move practices in August & September to 6:00-8:30pm in order to reduce our time in the extreme heat. You MUST have a CAMEL BACK!!!

Students are responsible for all practice and performance dates listed on the WRHS Band's Calendar.

A detailed monthly calendar can be found on-line (CutTime/CHARMS) at: www.wrhsband.com

WRHS 2024 Demon Marching Band FALL PERFORMANCES

August

| Sat. | Aug. 10 | 8:30am | WRHS Band Family Day (Students report @ 8:30am, performance @ 10am) |
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| Fri. | Aug. 16 | 7:30pm | (A) WRHS @ Lee County |
| Fri. | Aug. 23 | 7:30pm | (H) WRHS vs Fayette Co. |
| Fri. | Aug. 23 | 7:30pm | (A) WRHS vs Northside |

September

| Fri. | Sept. 6 | 7:30pm | (A) WRHS @ Houston County |
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| Sat. | Sept. 7 | 10am - 5pm | MARCH-a-THON - REQUIRED!!! |
| Fri. | Sept. 13 | OPEN | OPEN |
| Fri. | Sept. 20 | 7:30pm | (H) WRHS vs Veterans – (Homecoming) |
| Fri. | Sept. 27 | 7:30pm | (H) WRHS vs Wayne Co |
| Sat. | Sept. 28 | ALL DAY | Marching Contest #1 - TBA |

October

| Fri. | Oct. 4 | 7:30pm | (H) WRHS vs Benedictine |
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| Sat. | Oct. 4 | ALL DAY | Marching Contest #2 – TBA |
| | Oct. 7-11 | OPEN | FALL BREAK – No Practices |
| Fri. | Oct. 11 | OPEN | OPEN |
| Fri. | Oct. 18 | 7:30pm | (A) WRHS @ New Hampstead (DMB Practice) |
| Sat. | Oct. 19 | ALL DAY | Heart of Georgia Marching Band Invitational (The HoG!) |
| Tues. | Oct. 22 | 7:00pm | Houston County Schools BAND NIGHT (@ Freedom Field) |
| Fri. | Oct. 25 | 7:30pm | (A) WRHS @ Ware Co. |
| Tues. | Oct. 29 | 7:00pm | Houston County Schools BAND NIGHT (BACK-UP @ Freedom Field) |

November *

| Fri. | Nov. 1 | 7:30pm | (H) WRHS vs Perry – SENIOR NIGHT!!! |
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| Sat. | Nov. 2 | ALL DAY | Marching Contest #3 - TBA |

December

| Sat. | Dec. 7 | TBA | WR Christmas Parade |
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| Sat. | Dec. 7 | TBA | WRHS DMB End-of-Season Banquet |

* ALL Football play-off games will be **required** and can be found on the full band calendar. www.wrhsband.com (*CutTime/CHARMS*)

Calendar dates & times are subject to change. While this is not expected, the band will provide ample notice of changes when possible.

WRHS DMB Attendance REQUIREMENTS

PERFECT ATTENDANCE IS THE NORM!!! Anything other than this will be construed as a lack of interest on the part of the student and may result in potential dismissal. The student assumes the responsibility for any unexcused absences. Please Do Not Ask to be excused for work, studying for exams by other departments, or other extracurricular activities. Our demands on your time will be announced far enough in advance that students will make necessary arrangements to be at ALL rehearsals and functions. (Work is NEVER an excuse.)

Excused rehearsal absences are granted only with <u>advance notification</u> and <u>require director approval</u>. Students must call or visit the band office (478-929-7889) to request an excused absence. Students who are out sick must submit a separate written excuse to the directors. <u>If a student is well enough to be at school, he/she is expected to be at rehearsal.</u> Each <u>student</u> is responsible for providing the director with <u>written</u> notification. ***Please note that excuses which are not presented in writing WILL NOT be considered. The band is too big for you to assume that you can simply mention it to the Director.

EXCUSED Absences

- 1. Illness- to be certified <u>IN WRITING</u> by a physician or parent/guardian with a contact phone number.
- 2. Death or tragedy in the immediate family
- 3. Wedding in the immediate family

Due to the nature of our activity, **EVERY student is REQUIRED to attend EVERY rehearsal and performance**. The students to the left and right of each member are dependent upon this attendance policy. Performance and privilege restrictions may be applied to students who are tardy or absent from a rehearsal or performance. Performance restrictions may also be applied to students who have not fulfilled their **financial obligations** to the band. **Missing a performance is grounds for dismissal from the band.**

- If the school will excuse it, so will the band. (Again, **PRIOR** approval must be obtained.)
- If a student is out, excused (2x) or unexcused (1x), for practices, he/she may not perform at the following football game's half-time.
- <u>ALL students MUST</u> be in attendance at the last practice (Thursday or Friday) <u>before a performance</u>. Possible changes to performance procedures may take place and the band needs EVERYONE on the field!
- Students absent from the last practice before a performance WILL NOT be allowed to march—REGARDLESS of the status of the excuse (EXCUSED or UNEXCUSED.)

TARDIES TO MARCHING BAND

Students will run laps based on the time missed (1 lap for every 10 minutes late.)

Please note: this make up time is done to earn back the chance to perform with the group.

**** 30 minutes or more will = make-up block (effective 10/01/2021.)

Make-Up Practice Time

As of October 1, 2021, any student who misses any portion of practice (Regardless of Excused or unexcused status) must make up all time missed in order to be able to perform with the group. This may take place after practice in a fundamental blocks with the Drum Major or Field Captain. (This fundamental block will be limited to 30 minutes after practice.) Students may also make up some of the time missed (up to ½) before school (7:20am – 8:00am) with focused individual music practice.

Thank you for helping to ensure that your student meets the attendance commitment of the Warner Robins High School *DEMON* Marching Band.

WRHS Band Varsity Letter Requirements

The following policy is enacted in order to determine which <u>students have earned and deserve the privilege</u> of wearing a WRHS varsity letter in Band. The Varsity Band letter is something that is earned, not something that is given to a student in the band. A Varsity letter in Band will be earned through a system of Performance. Students must completely participate in the full band program here at WRHS inclusive of the marching band as well as at least 1 concert ensemble in year-long classes.

Requirements: If a student is to earn his/her letter they must adhere to the following:

Band (Musicians)

- 1) Attend ALL scheduled rehearsals and be on time for the start of rehearsal. No unexcused absences. Three (3) unexcused tardies will count as one (1) unexcused absence.
- 2) Pass a uniform inspection before every event where uniform dress in required. Inspections will include all required pieces of the uniform worn in the proper manner.
- 3) Pass off all music by the required deadlines. A book will be kept with every student's name, and the required date for pass off, as well as the actual date the music was passed off.
- 4) Participate fully in Concert & marching program.

Auxiliaries (Color Guard)

- 1) Attend all scheduled rehearsals and be on time for the start of rehearsal.
- 2) <u>No unexcused absences.</u> Three (3) unexcused tardies will count as one (1) unexcused absence.
- 3) Pass a uniform inspection before every event where uniform dress in required. Inspections will include all required pieces of the uniform worn in the proper manner.
- 4) Pass off all requirements for a superior performance.
- 5) Color Guard members must attend each performance for <u>2 complete semesters</u> in order to get a varsity letter. They may earn a letter in 1 year by playing in a concert class during the 2nd semester.

<u>Honor Cords:</u> Band students who march for 4 years and have 8 semesters of band classes can earn an honor cord to be worn with their graduation robes.

<u>Fine Arts Diploma Seal:</u> Students have an opportunity to earn a special seal on their high school diploma by following certain state, system, and school guidelines.

WRHS BAND POLICIES AND RULES

FINANCIAL POLICIES WRITTEN ACCEPTANCE

I understand the financial commitment to be a member of the band and the financial policies of the band.

I understand that by fulfilling the financial commitments, I am assisting the band in making great music.

I understand that by not fulfilling the financial commitments, I am subject to the penalties of the financial policies.

The full commitment and full policies can be found in the WRHS Band Financial Policies document.

I understand the **Volunteer Time Agreement** to be a member of a band. Such agreement can be found in the Marching Band Information documents.

Financial Commitment

| All Band Members – Musicians (Marching & Non-Marching) | Marching Band Members – Musicians, Managers, & Color Guard |
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| Concert Attire Fee | Student Activity Fee |
| Equipment Rental Fee | Equipment Rental Fee |
| Classroom Activity Fee | Uniform Rental and Cleaning Fee |
| | Accessory Fee |

Financial Policies

All fees must be paid by the outlined due dates.

Marching Band – Unpaid Fees

- Students with unpaid fess by due dates may not receive uniforms and / or accessories; without such they may not be allowed to march at games.
- Any student withdrawing from the Marching Band after the second day of band camp; regardless of reason including behavioral dismissal, will be liable for
 - O Student Activity Fee paid and scheduled to pay
 - o Equipment Rental Fee paid and scheduled to pay
 - o Uniform Rental and Cleaning Fee paid and scheduled to pay
 - Accessory Fee paid and scheduled to pay
 - Quitter's Fee: the student will also be charged a \$200 Quitter's Fee
- Accessories paid for can be kept by the student; accessories not paid for must be returned. Lack of returning such will be considered an
 unpaid fee.

An exception to the Quitters Fee would be withdrawal from WRHS to attend another school. In this case, your request for refund and exception must be made in writing to the Band Booster Executive Committee within 30 days of withdrawal.

If student has to quit Marching Band for medical reason; they are not responsible for Quitters Fee.

All Bands - Unpaid Fees

WRHS policy mandates that no student with unpaid fees may purchase Varsity Jackets / Letters, prom tickets or yearbooks, nor will the student receive report cards or be allowed to graduate. Additionally, students not meeting their financial obligations will not be allowed to opt out of finals; nor allowed to achieve Varsity Letter status.

Volunteer Time Agreement - !!!

Marching Band (musicians, managers, color guard) PARENTS are expected to volunteer twice during the football season games as well as a minimum of 1 shift at the Heart of Georgia Marching Band contest. Failure to volunteer will be considered an unpaid fee (\$100 per incident missed. This will be charged no later than the last regular season game.) Alternative arrangements may be made by contacting the Band Booster President No Later than September 1st.

Marching students and at least 1 family member are required to work during the Heart of Georgia Marching Band Competition.

WRHS BAND 2024 Cost Breakdown

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| ITEM | Musicians & Managers | Color Guard |
| Student Activity Fee - Covers instruction cost, 2 T-shirts (Red & Black), select season meals, show music, and marching drill preparation and alterations, UDB app. | <u>\$400</u> | <u>\$350</u> |
| <u>Uniform Rental and Cleaning Fee</u> – Color Guard fee does NOT include cleaning. | <u>\$100</u> | See CG Packet |
| Equipment Rental Fee – Students that use the school owned equipment will pay \$50 for equipment rental - per season – for Color Guard, Percussion, Baritone, Mellophones, Tuba, French Horn, Bass Clarinet, Bari-sax) | <u>\$50</u> | <u>\$50</u> |
| Accessory Fee – Below is estimated cost; final prices announced at Fitting Day; not all accessories are required for all students. *** Prices are subject to change. | | Most accessories are covered in the Color Guard packet. |
| ShoesGlovesBaseball Hat | \$35 \$5 / pair \$15 | |
| Uniform Shorts (Khakis – between mid-thigh & the knee) Water Cooler (RED & White only: Purchase at Amazon, Wal-Mart, Academy, Target) Practice shirts (3) | Parents can find these items in a variety of places. \$10 (each) | |
| ■ Poncho | \$10 | |
| ■ Driving Cap (tubas) | <mark>\$25</mark> | |

Student Activity Fee

- 1. Band fees may be paid in small installments.
- 2. <u>Musicians and Managers</u> <u>The first \$100 non-refundable deposit must be made with the Registration Form</u> to secure a position in the band show. The commitment of the first deposit will be used to give our drill designer exact numbers for the performing group. All students who register late will be placed on an alternate status pending a performance slot.
- 3. <u>Color Guard</u> A **non-refundable** \$100 deposit must be paid at the try out. This deposit is only refundable if the student is not selected for the color guard. <u>All guard fees must be paid before camp.</u>

Equipment Rental Fee

Equipment Rental Fee is incurred per semester per instrument.

Uniform Rental and Cleaning Fee

Additional costs may be incurred by the student if they stain or damage the uniform.

Accessory Fee

- 1. This fee covers the one time purchase of uniform accessories.
- 2. Returning members may already have these items.

The Band Parent Organization will be offering fundraisers to help defray the cost of fees.

Ask the band director for the **SPONSORSHIP** / **DONATION forms** that are available to you. Just 10 donations of \$50.00 will cover a significant percentage of the total cost.

LACK OF PAYMENT

- Students with unpaid fees by due dates may not receive uniforms and / or accessories; without such they may
 not be allowed to march at games.
- 2. WRHS policy mandates that **no student with unpaid fees may purchase Varsity Jackets / Letters, prom tickets or yearbooks, nor will the student receive report cards or be allowed to graduate**. Students not meeting their financial obligations will **not be allowed to exempt final exams**, nor are they allowed to achieve **Varsity Letter status**.
- 3. Students who have not completed paying fees may not be allowed to travel with the band.
- 4. Refer to the WRHS Student Handbook for additional information.

FUND-RAISING INCENTIVE CREDITS

- 1. Credits for incentive fund-raisers will be applied after the closing date for that fundraising event.
- 2. Unless otherwise announced; 75% of the fundraiser **net** profit will go to the general band booster fund and 25% to the student account. Funds raised through the **March-A-Thon** go 100% to the student account.

STUDENT ACCOUNT CREDIT BALANCES

- 1. Student account credit balances remaining at the end of the year may be carried forward to the next school.
- 2. Student account credit balances remaining upon graduation due to fundraiser profits or overpayment of past years fees will not be refunded. They may be transferred to another student's CutTime/CHARMS account if a written request is made to the Treasurer by graduation. If no such request is made, credit balance will transfer to general Band Booster account.
- 3. Credit balances remaining upon leaving the program due to fundraiser funds or overpayment of past years fees will not be refunded. They may be transferred to another student's Charm account if a written request is made to the Treasurer within 10 days of leaving the program. If no such request is made, credit balance will transfer to general Band Booster account.
- 4. Student account credit balances will be refunded in cash only if due to overpayment of current year band fees and written request is made to Treasure by April 30 of the current school year.

REFUNDS

All fees are non-refundable. This includes student activity fee, uniform rental and cleaning fees, and instrument rental fees as well as additional fees.

QUITTERS FEE / WITHDRAWALS

- 1. Any student withdrawing from the Marching Band after the second day of band camp; regardless of reason including parental choice or behavioral dismissal, will be liable for the Student Activity Fee paid and scheduled to pay.
- 2. Any student withdrawing from the Marching Band after the second day of band camp; regardless of reason including parental choice or behavioral dismissal, will be liable for the Equipment Rental Fee paid and scheduled to pay.
- 3. Any student withdrawing from the Marching Band after the Uniform fitting day; regardless of reason including parental choice or behavioral dismissal, will be liable for the Uniform Rental and Cleaning Fee paid and scheduled to pay.
- 4. Any student withdrawing from the Marching Band after the Accessories are ordered; regardless of reason including parental choice or behavioral dismissal, will be liable for the Accessory Fee paid and scheduled to pay.
- 5. Accessories paid for can be kept by the student; accessories not paid for must be returned within 10 days of quitting / withdraw. Lack of returning such will be considered a "Lack of Payment" and carry such restrictions.
- 6. Additionally, the student will be charged with a \$200 Quitter's Fee.
- 7. An exception to the Quitter's Fee would be withdrawal from WRHS to attend another school. In this case, your request for refund and exception must be made in writing to the Band Booster Executive Committee within 30 days of withdrawal. Also, if a student must quit for medical reasons as documented by a physician, they are not responsible for the Quitter's Fee or unpaid scheduled fees. However, paid fees will not be refunded.

LATE ARRIVALS

- 1. Late arrivals, if accepted, are responsible to pay all fees in full.
- 2. A \$100 non-refundable payment must be made upon application, with all fees paid by first football game.

FEE PAYMENT

All fees and payments should be mailed to:

WRHS Band Boosters

401 South Davis Drive Warner Robins, GA 31088

When making a payment by check or money order you must write the student's name in the memo area.

Payments may also be made with CashApp to \$WRHSBandBooster

Payments Recorded in CutTime/CHARMS

- 1. Payments received will be credited in the following order 1) Student Activity Fee, Uniform Renting and Cleaning Fee, 3) Equipment Rental Fee, and 4) Accessory Fee.
- 2. Payments are to be made on or before the due dates.
- 3. Make all payments with check or money order Payable to the WRHS Band Boosters.
- 4. When making a payment by check or money order you must write the student's name in the memo area. Often times, the last name on the check differs from the student's name and the treasurer does not know where to apply the credit. If the student's name is NOT listed on the check and the treasurer is unable to determine the proper account for credit, that money will be considered a donation to the WRHS Band General Fund.
- 5. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds (NSF) will be charged the appropriate bank fees.
- 6. A check that has been returned due to NSF will be re-deposited once only.
- 7. The NSF check is expected to be cleared by payment to the Treasurer in cash or money order within 7 business days.
- 8. The 2nd NSF on the same check will generate a call to the parent and bank fees will be charged. More than one NSF check will require a \$25.00 penalty and all future payments must be made by cash, money order, or cashier's check.

Credit Card Payments

Credit Card Payments may be made through CutTime/CHARMS using PayPal. A transaction fee may be applied.

ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS / FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Students and their parents who are unable to meet the financial obligations must contact the Band Booster Treasurer to make alternative arrangements **prior** to payment deadlines.

Student Data Manager: rockinrband@gmail.com

Booster Treasurer: wrhsbandtreasurer@gmail.com

TRIP FEES - IF TRIP IS PLANNED FOR CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR

- 1. All other fees must be paid in full before payments on trips will be accepted.
- 2. Trip Deposits and Air Fare are non-refundable.
- 3. All trip fees must be paid in full using the dates communicated by the Band Director.
- 4. If student does not depart for trip due to lack of fee payment; they are still responsible for full fee payment.
- 5. In extreme circumstances, trip fees (not including deposits) may be refundable if written requests are submitted to the Band Booster Executive Committee at least 30 days prior to departure dates. Refunds will only be allowed in accordance with the booking agent's refund schedule. Expenses incurred by the organization prior to departure will not be refundable (ie. Deposits, air fare, etc.)

2024 WRHS Marching Band Payment Schedule

The following payment schedule is provided for your convenience in order to help you meet your financial obligations to the WRHS Band program.

Musicians & Managers

| Payment #1 | \$100.00 - April 15, 2024 |
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| Payment #2 | \$100.00 – May 15, 2024 |
| Payment #3 | \$100.00 - June 15, 2024 |
| Payment #4 | \$100.00 - July 15, 2024 - <u>ALL</u> Members MUST be paid up to <u>\$300</u> by the start of Band Camp on Monday July 8, 2024. |
| Payment #5 | \$100.00 - August 15, 2023 |
| Payment #6 | \$ Final Balance Due - September 1, 2022 |

Color Guard

| Payment #1 | \$100.00 – April 25, 2024 |
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| Payment #2 | \$100.00 - May 15, 2025 |
| Payment #3 | \$100.00 - June 15, 2023 |
| Payment #4 | \$100.00 - July 15, 2023 - <u>ALL</u> Members MUST be paid up to <u>\$300</u> by the start of Band Camp on Monday July 8, 2024. |
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Warner Robins High School Bands

Sponsorship / Donation Form

| Please accept this tax deductible gift of \$ to be applied to the account of the following student in the Warner Robins High School Bands: |
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| (Student's Name) |
| Donor's Name |
| Address |
| Please Make ALL checks payable to the Warner Robins Band Boosters. |
| Mail all payments directly to the following address: |
| WRHS Band Boosters |
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401 South Davis Drive Warner Robins, GA 31088

WRHS Band Web-site

www.wrhsband.com

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