MISSION STATEMENT

We are a family of Wheaton North students and leaders unified by music. Through music, we grow and discover. The power and emotions we experience as musicians compel us to strive for excellence and continue the Wheaton North Band legacy. We all have one thing in common – passion. Our passion for the music and desire for success are what shapes us into who we are; when words and actions fail, music speaks.

"I like the people I'm with in band because it's a close-knit group that you can trust. It's nice to have the break in your day when you get to sit down and do something you enjoy." --Lindsey

'I really like how our Marching Band watches out for each other – both in rehearsal and around school. There's a very strong bond with our band."

--Devyn

"Being involved with percussion gives you a lot more experience and practice musically because you can see how to do it from our upperclassmen. They're great role-models. Drumline is pretty hard but it's really just a super-fun thing to do."

—Jordan





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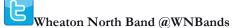
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Falcon Band Program





OUR LEGACY: TRADITION, SUCCESS, EXCELLENCE

CURRICULAR BANDS

All Band Classes are two-semester (preferred), credit-bearing classes that meet daily.

CONCERT BAND

This entry-level Band at WNHS is for those who wish to be in band, but who do not want to audition for one of our other groups.

SYMPHONIC BAND

This is the intermediate band at WNHS; students must audition for this band. Auditions are held in winter of the preceding year.



WIND ENSEMBLE

This is the advanced band at WNHS; students in grades 10-12 must audition for this band. Participation for both semesters is required for placement. Auditions are held in winter of the preceding year. This band travels regularly.

PERCUSSION STUDIES

This is the band class for all Percussion students ("drummers"). It is devoted to learning everything possible about percussion. No auditions are needed, but are highly recommended and preferred.

BAND ACTIVITIES

- Repertoire includes standard band literature as well as contemporary pieces that challenge players of any level
- Clinics and Seminars
- Concerts and Festivals throughout the year

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Orchestra Winds
- IMEA Auditions and Honor Ensembles
- Solo-Ensemble Festival
- □ Eighth-Grade Band Day Mentors

JAZZ BANDS

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Students do not need to be in a curricular band to participate in Jazz Band. Interested students audition to perform in the Jazz Ensemble (advanced level) or the Jazz Band (entry level). Auditions are held in November.



JAZZ BAND & ENSEMBLE

- Rehearsals once or twice a week during Jazz season
- Concerts, Festivals, Contests, and "Gigs"
- Clinics and Seminars
- Possible Travel (trip)

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Combos (small ensembles for jazz – you must be in Jazz band or Jazz Ensemble to participate in combos)

MARCHING BAND

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Marching Band, which includes Drum Line, Percussion Pit, and Color Guard, is open to all interested students, including those not participating in curricular band.

SUMMER BAND CAMP

During this mandatory one-week session in late July or early August students will learn the current year's marching program, while mastering marching and playing fundamentals.



MARCHING BAND ACTIVITIES

- All Home Football Games
- Corps-Style Marching Band Contests
- College Venue Marching Band Competition
- □ Falcon Fest Marching Band Contest
- Memorial and 4th of July Parades
- Marching Band Camp and Awards Banquet
- Possible Travel / Trip

"Marching is not to be missed. I liked that I started high school already knowing a huge group of kids." --Patrick

"Participating in Marching Band was so much fun; I am a member of my college marching band now."

--Dan