

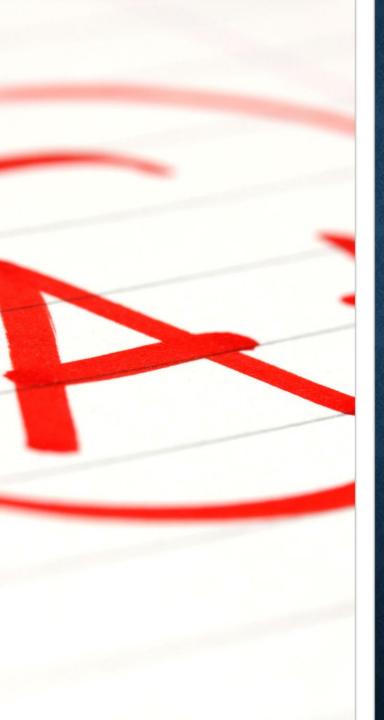
We will act with...RESPECT We will give our...BEST We will...OVERCOME We will demonstrate...EXCELLENCE We will show...BLACKMAN PRIDE

2022-2023 BLAZE BAND ORIENTATION May 16,6p

WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS!

Directors: Brenda Monson & Jonathan Wright

Drum Majors: Rielly Harris, Angel Perez-Escobar, & Keegan Scott



MAKING THE GRADE

Assessments

- Performance: Scales, Arpeggios, Rudiments, Counting, Sight-Reading, Etudes, Music Excerpts, etc.
- Written: Key Signatures, Intervals, Chords, Rhythms, etc.

After School Rehearsals

Performances

AFTER SCHOOL TIME COMMITMENT

Concerts

- Fall Concert: September 29
- PRISM Concert: December 1
- "POPS" Concert: February 9
- Spring Concert: April 27
- JazzFest: May 5 (Blaze Jazz Band Only)
- Percussion Concert: May 9 (Percussion Only)
- Graduation: Date TBD

After School Rehearsals for Concerts

- One or two per concert.
- Scheduled on Mondays or Tuesdays, 3:45p to 6:00p

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

All Blaze Band students are expected to practice their instrument outside of class time to prepare for rehearsals and assessments.

ALL AFTER SCHOOL REHEARSALS AND PERFORMANCES ARE PART OF THE STUDENT'S BAND GRADE.



- The <u>most important</u> thing students can do for their success and the success of the band is show up and be on time.
- If a student needs to miss a rehearsal or performance, they must submit and <u>Absence Form</u> on www.blackmanband.com or by QR code in the band room. Paper copies are available on request.
- All unexcused absences will have a negative impact on the student's grade. Students will also miss performance opportunities.
- Please do your best to plan doctor's appointments and vacations around our rehearsal and performance schedule.

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS AT BHS

WHAT ARE PRIVATE LESSONS?

- Study with a PROFESSIONAL!
- ONE-ON-ONE Instruction!
- Lessons are typically once a week for 30 minutes and start at \$20.00 each.
- During band class or before/after school.
- All year!

WHY SHOULD YOU TAKE PRIVATE LESSONS?

1. Mid-State, All-State, All-**County, and scholarship** auditions can be approached on an **INDIVIDUAL** level. 2. Students have opportunities to learn UNIQUE solos for their instrument.

3. Private lessons teachers serve as role models and motivate students to EXCEL on their instrument.

WHEN CONSIDERING THE COST...

- 1. Students are more likely to have exposure to unique musical experiences!
- 2. Students are more likely to receive music scholarships in college.
- 3. Students will develop more confidence on their instrument and will have more ENJOYMENT and PERSONAL FULFILLMENT out of playing their instruments.



SOMETHING TO CONSIDER... Half-Time Band is the FULL BLACKMAN **BAND EXPERIENCE:** 1. Stands Band was created for students who have scheduling conflicts with other BHS activities (e.g. football, cheerleading).

 Our expectation is that ALL students who do not have scheduling conflicts should participate in Half-Time Band.

BAND SUPPORTS ACADEMIC SUCCESS

- This year five out of 15 BHS Valedictorians are BAND STUDENTS!
- Band students help and support each other with academics.
- Halftime Band teaches and reinforces life skills like work ethic, time management, personal responsibility, problem solving, working with others towards common goals, etc.

BAND HELPS <u>ALL</u> STUDENTS SUCCEED

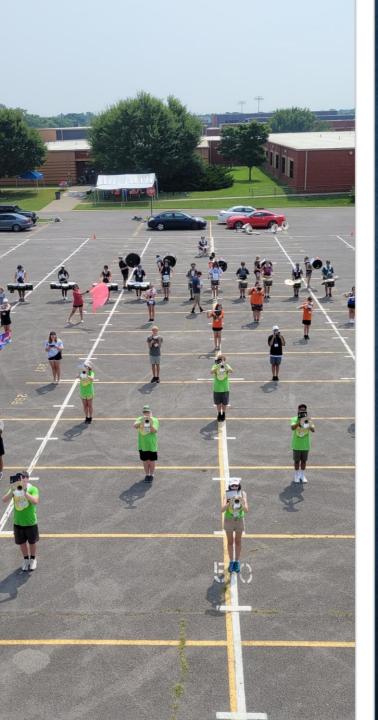
The Football Band doesn't have a "bench". Everyone performs!
At Band Camp EVERYONE starts in the same place.
We have great student leadership

that serve as mentors.



MINI BAND CAMP

- New this year!
- May 23, 24, 25. 4p to 6p. BHS Band Room.
- ALL 2022-2023 Blaze Band Members must attend!
- Bring your instrument, a pencil & a lyre and flip folder if you have them.
- Dress to go outside and wear athletic low top shoes that can be laced.



BAND CAMP

Full Band: Band Camp: July 25 – 29 8am-5pm

Drumline and Colorguard Only: July 18 – 20 9am-5pm



THE WEEK BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS

Tuesday August 2nd, 4p to 7p
"Meet the Blaze" performance followed by rehearsal and uniform fittings.

Thursday August 4th, 4p to 7p

 Rehearsal and uniform fittings followed by "Freshman Orientation" performance.



FOOTBALL BAND TIME COMMITMENT

- <u>ALL</u> students perform in the stands at home and away football games and parades.
- Halftime Band:
 - After School Rehearsals on Thursdays in August, September, October. 3:50p to 6:00p
 - Drumline and Colorguard
 Only: one additional After School
 Rehearsal. Drumline on Monday
 & Colorguard on Tuesday.

COMMUNICATION

- Email: directors@blackmanband.com
- Website: blackmanband.com
- Twitter: @BlackmanBand

The best way to reach the directors, especially during the summer, is by email.



SCHOOL INSTRUMENTS

- We have a variety of instruments available for students free of charge.
- Any student who needs an instrument provided should sign up for one after tonight's meeting or email the directors.
- Instruments will be given on the first day of the MINI BAND CAMP on May 23rd.
- All students who play French Horn, Euphonium, Tuba, and Percussion will be provided BOTH concert and marching versions of their instruments.



JAZZ BAND

 Students are encouraged to sign up! It's not too late!

 Contact your guidance counselor if you need a schedule change.

BHS BAND BOOSTERS

- Marshall Campbell President
- Mark Collins Vice President
- Melissa Andersen Secretary
- Jon Shepherd Treasurer
- Bonnie Ervin Bookkeeper
- Members at Large Alison Smythe, Christie Broome, LeAnne Robinson

BLAZE BAND BUDGET

The Blaze Band yearly budget is \$70,000. Rutherford County provides \$7,500 for the year.

The budget covers items but not limited to:

- Uniform Savings Account for future uniforms
- Uniforms & maintenance concert & marching
- Equipment Trailers
- New instrument purchase & Instrument repairs
- Rhythm Section/Sound equipment & maintenance
- Color Guard & Drumline equipment; instruction
- Music for Football Band, 3 Concert Bands, Percussion, Small Ensemble, Jazz Band



FEES FOR OTHER BAND PROGRAMS

• Rutherford County HS - \$600

• Rutherford County HS - \$550

- Rutherford County HS \$950
- Rutherford County HS \$500
- Davidson County HS \$895







#1\$125May 16, 2022#2\$125June 30, 2022#3\$125July 25, 2022

...and actively participates in achieving overall fundraising goals.



OTHER COSTS

SOLD AT AUGUST UNIFORM FITTINGS

Winds and Percussion

- \$30 for Marching Band Shoes
- \$3 for Gloves

Colorguard

- \$40 for Color Guard Shoes
- \$15 for Color Guard Gloves

PURCHASE ON YOUR OWN

- Black dress shoes for concert uniform (guys can wear marching shoes).
- Long black socks for football band.



ACTIVE FUNDRAISERS

Titans Games

Calendar Sale

TITANS GAMES



Titans Games is our largest fundraiser! We DO NOT sell concessions. We sell apparel and other merchandise in stands and trailers.

Merchandise Trailer

In addition to Titans Home Games, We sell merchandise at soccer games and special events. SIGN UP on Sign Up Genius!!



Merchandise Booth

PASSIVE FUNDRAISERS

- 1. Kroger Cards
- 2. Amazon
- 3. Restaurant nights



4. DONATIONS – if you have connections, let's use them!!

THIS IS FREE MONEY!!!

PAYMENTS

It is a Rutherford County Schools policy that the Band Directors are not allowed to handle any money paid to the BHS Band Boosters for band fees, item purchases, mid-state registration, private lesson fees, etc. Students and parents must pay using the following methods:



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CHECK PAYMENTS

- Checks and Money Orders can be paid by mail or placed in the "Blue Box" (lockbox) in the Band Room.
- All payments must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the student's name on it and what the payment is for.
- Address:

Blackman High School Band Boosters 3956 Blaze Drive Murfreesboro, TN 37128



OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Band Camp
 - Lunch Crew, Set Up, Tear Down, Medical Tent, Snack Crew, Check In, etc.
- Truck Crew/Friday Night Football
- Uniform Fittings/Cleaning
- AND MORE!
- Please ask how you can serve the band!



BEFORE YOU LEAVE

- 1. Fill out the ONLINE REGISTRATION.
- 2. Sign, initial, and notarize the PERMISSION AND RELEASE FORM.
- 3. Make your first \$125.00 payment OR PAY \$375 IN FULL.
- 4. Stop by your section's table in the lobby and meet our student leaders!
- 5. If you need a school owned instrument sign up for one at the table in the lobby.
- 6. If you have any questions, see the directors!

THANK YOU!!!

