

Blaze Band



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From the Directors

We hope everyone is enjoying their summer break! We want to thank everyone for attending the big band meeting back in May. We had such an excellent turnout! We really appreciate everyone filling out the online registration and getting your one permission form completed and turned in. It really helps us to be able to plan for the upcoming year – so THANK YOU!!

We also want to thank all the students for showing up at our May MINI CAMP! It was GREAT to have everyone here, working hard for those few days!! All our winds (woodwind & brass players) should have the following music:

1. Blaze Band Warm Ups
2. Fiesta Latina Show Music – Part ONE, TWO, and THREE

If you need a copy of any of this music, please email us so we can send it to you! It's fun to learn new music – and this music is CHALLENGING! So – when you're bored over the summer and wondering what you should do, get out your instruments and play some of the show music.

Work slowly and go note by note to make sure you have the right fingerings. Write in counts when the rhythm is difficult. Get together with your friends & practice! AND – if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us!

Make sure you take care of yourself during the summer months. Spend time outside so your body is accustomed to the heat we'll experience during camp. Drink plenty of fluids and eat a good breakfast each day of camp. We want all students to have a positive experience at band camp and taking care of your body is a part of that experience.

Check the website (www.blackmanband.com) for updated information throughout the year and email us at directors@blackmanband.com if you have any questions or concerns. HAPPY JUNE!!

Mrs. Monson & Mr. Wright

June 2025

CALENDAR of EVENTS

- ✓ REST & RELAX
- ✓ SPEND TIME WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS
- ✓ GO FOR A WALK OR BIKE RIDE
- ✓ EXPLORE A NEW DESTINATION
- ✓ HAVE LUNCH WITH AN OLD FRIEND
- ✓ LISTEN TO SOME MUSIC
- ✓ PRACTICE YOUR INSTRUMENT

June 20

2nd Payment \$150 DUE

July 20

3rd Payment of \$150 DUE



Every new band student will receive a water cooler so they can use it during camp and regular band practices on Thursdays. Students should fill it every morning with water & ice so they have lots to drink throughout the day. DECORATE your water cooler & make sure YOUR NAME is on it. Pick up your water cooler at the Pizza Fun Night!

PIZZA FUN NIGHT – July 22

All students are invited to join us for some pizza & fun! July 22 (5-7pm) in the band room. No instruments.

PERCUSSION/GUARD CAMP

JULY 21-23 (3 days), 9am-5pm

- Wear athletic clothing
- Bring your water cooler and a sack lunch

BAND CAMP

JULY 24-25, 28-30 (5 days), 8am-5pm

- Wear athletic clothing & tennis shoes
- Bring/wear hat, sunglasses, sunscreen
- Bring your water cooler and a sack lunch
- Bring your instrument, all music & a pencil
- Be ready to work & have fun!

Band Booster News

We are excited to see the 2025-2026 marching season take shape. We had a great mini-camp in May and can't wait to see all the musical progress that the students have made when we are back together at band camp. Our organization cannot run without all the volunteers that help each year. THANK YOU for all that you do! If you haven't had the opportunity to sign up for a committee, have a special talent, or fresh ideas, please email me at president@blackmanband.com. I look forward to serving alongside each of you!

Melissa Andersen, President

SEND PAYMENTS TO:

BHS Band Boosters

3956 Blaze Drive

Murfreesboro TN 37128

OR pay through PayPal on blackmanband.com. If you make payment online through PayPal please pay the processing fee! Contact our treasurer if you have any questions. Thank you!!

BOOSTER OFFICERS:

Melissa Andersen – president@blackmanband.com

Joe Lannom – vicepresident@blackmanband.com

Alison Smythe – secretary@blackmanband.com

Brittany Viveros – treasurer@blackmanband.com

Leslie Weems – Bookkeeper

Members at Large: Wendy An, Robyn McNeely, Brandise Raikes, and Marsha Isip

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are many opportunities to help the Blaze Band through the year! We had so many parents sign up for our committees at the May meeting. We really appreciate that and are looking forward to working with you all!

SIGN UP GENIUS – BAND CAMP

We will be sending out a sign-up genius for people to sign up to volunteer time and special items for camp: Gatorade, sunscreen, snacks, etc. We also will need people to work check-in and wash towels at the end of the day. ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!

SIGN UP GENIUS - TITANS

The SignUpGenius for Titans events is live on www.blackmanband.com. Remember, all families are obligated to work at least one event. This is our BIGGEST fundraiser – so PLEASE sign up for a day/time to work.

Students are allowed to sign up and work Titans events if they are 18 years old. A parent and child can work together! OR students can sign up to work with a friend. Each student needs to have SOMEONE work on their behalf (or they work it themselves).

To work Titans events, we meet in the parking lot at BHS so we carpool there. We arrive at the stadium 2 hours before kick-off so we can get the shop ready for business. We run the registers and assist shoppers in the store. It is easy and fun!

