

Course: Band 1,2,3,4

Prerequisites: Junior High Band; Each previous year of HS band

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Overview:

The Lindale High School Band, also known as the “Pride of Lindale,” has over 200 members made up of students in grades 9-12. The band performs at a wide range of activities including football games, parades, concerts, and UIL events. Band students also have several opportunities to compete individually as well as in small groups. Senior members have the opportunity to earn scholarships that help pay for their college educations.

Textbook:

Fall semester: Marching music. Each student is given a folder of marching music that contains approximately 20 pieces of music. If a student loses a piece of music, they will be charged \$1.00 to replace it. If the student loses the entire folder, they will need to pay \$5.00 to have it replaced. Everyone is responsible for keeping up with their music! The music being used for UIL Marching Contest as well as football games will be played for grades throughout the semester.

Students are also given materials for Master Classes that are held every Wednesday, and are given All Region music and other materials that will be used in class and played for grades.

Spring semester: Various music. Each student is given a folder of music pertaining to their individual placement in Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Winds, Symphonic Band, or Concert Band. They will be given specific materials that must be played off for grades during each six weeks.

Materials:

Instrument, lyre, flip folder, music, reeds, valve oil, band shirt, band shoes, long white socks (to be worn with the uniform)

Tutorial Times:

Directors have sign-up sheets on their doors where students can sign up for individual help on music. Drum majors and squad leaders are available to help students before and after school with music and/or marching.

Grading Policy:

All music playoffs, rehearsals, and public performances (games, parades, concerts, etc.) are counted as grades. Music playoffs and performances count as test grades; rehearsals count as daily grades. Music playoffs are done in person to the directors.

Fall Semester:

Marching fundamentals: due in summer band

Music playoffs:

- due by August 8th – Pride of Lindale Fanfare
- due by August 15th – 10th Regiment (All)
- due by August 22nd – Thunder and Blazes (Trio and Outstrain)
- due by August 29th – Boys of the Old Brigade (All)
- due by September 5th – His Honor (Trio and Outstrain)
- due by September 12th – Battle Hymn (All)

Students who do not play off their music can be pulled from the contest group and placed in the “alternate block”. Once they have played off, a student MAY regain a place in the contest block IF one becomes available.

See Schedule of Events below for dates of rehearsals and performances.

Spring Semester:

4th 6 weeks - will focus on solo and ensemble. Those who do not sign up to participate in solo and ensemble contest will be given a solo to work on and play for grades during that 6 weeks. Those playoff dates are TBA.

5th and 6th Six weeks - UIL Concert music will be due TBA. Rehearsal and performances dates are TBA.

6th Six Weeks - Spring Concert music and Theory and Composition will be due. Dates are TBA.

Late Work Policy:

5 points is counted off every day that the music is played off late.

If the music is not played by memory, the grade is automatically a 70. Music that is played for a 70 must be replayed.

Absences:

All absences must be excused by Mr. Fisher. If you know in advance that you will be missing a rehearsal or performance, please let a director know. Also, please bring a note from a parent if you miss a rehearsal or performance. If you were out because of illness or injury, a note from the doctor is expected. UNEXCUSED ABSENCES MAY RESULT IN BEING PLACED IN THE ALTERNATE BLOCK.

LHS Band Rules and Infractions:

Infractions that occur during the school day will be handled through the LHS disciplinary policies. Infractions that occur outside the school day will result in a Band Hall D Hall.

School Day Infractions: (Examples) Instrument not put away correctly. Music not in a flip folder. Not bringing everything to class (music, instrument, shoes, reeds, etc.) Phone out; ear buds in use during class.

No food, drink, gum, or candy in the band hall.

Outside School Day Infractions: Two infractions result in a Band Hall D Hall. (Examples)

Tardy to rehearsal (starts at 7:45 am)

Late to Monday night or Wednesday afternoon rehearsal. Late to Friday call time.

Out of uniform. (Long white socks, band t-shirt, etc.)

Not bringing everything to the game (Flip folder, instrument, etc.) Late coming back to 4th quarter.

Uniform not put away properly or not taken care of during and after a performance. On phone in stands. Using ear buds in stands.

No food, drink, gum, or candy in the stands or in the band hall unless designated by a director.

Band Hall D Hall:

Must be served the week it is assigned unless it is assigned on Friday night. Students will sign in, pick up the appropriate notebook, and practice the assigned material for 20 minutes. Failure to serve the Band Hall D Hall will result in a school D Hall.

See the LHS Band Handbook and the LHS School Policies for all rules and guidelines.

Alternate Block:

Students who are struggling with marching fundamentals will be pulled from the contest drill and placed in the alternate block where they will be given individualized and detailed help. Once the student can perform the fundamentals at a “contest acceptable” level, they will be moved to the “Stand By” block, where they MAY regain a place in the contest block IF one becomes available. Places in the block become available because of eligibility issues and/or injuries. Students who do not play off music can also be placed in this block.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES MAY RESULT IN THE STUDENT BEING PLACED IN THE ALTERNATE OR STAND BY BLOCK.

Schedule of Events:

1st Six Weeks: Monday Rehearsals 6:30-8:30 pm
August 19th -- Stadium
August 26th – LHS
September 9th – LHS
September 16th – LHS

Wednesday Rehearsals at LHS 3:30-5:00 pm

August 28th – Masterclass - LHS

September 4th – Masterclass - LHS

September 11th – Masterclass - LHS

September 18th -- Masterclass - LHS

Games:

August 16th – Meet the Eagles – Lindale Stadium
August 29th – Hallsville – Lindale Stadium
September 6th – Mt. Pleasant -- There
September 13th – Van -- There
September 20th – Gilmer – Lindale Stadium

2nd Six Weeks: Monday Rehearsals:

September 23rd – Stadium

September 30th – Stadium

October 7th – Stadium

October 14th – Stadium (Mineola Marching Contest)

October 21st – Stadium

Wednesday Rehearsals:

September 25th – Masterclass

October 9th – Masterclass

October 16th – Masterclass

October 23rd – Masterclass

CHAIR TESTS - September 30th – October 3rd -- Chair Tests – These are test grades!

Games:

September 27th – Chapel Hill –There

October 11th – Palestine – Lindale Stadium

October 18th – Kilgore -- There

October 25th – Mabank – Lindale Stadium

November 1st – Pine Tree – There

Other Performances:

October 10th – SLT participate with JH at 8th Grade Game

October 14th – Pre-UIL Marching Contest at Mineola

October 19th – UIL Marching Contest at Longview High School

October 28th – Potentially leave for State Marching Contest

October 28th-29th – UIL/NAMMB State Military Marching Contest at Waco

3rd Six Weeks: Wednesday Rehearsals:

None – Students doing all-region will need to be signed up on a director's door.

Games:

November 8th – Henderson – Lindale Stadium – Senior Night

Potential playoff games are Thursday, Friday, or Saturday. Everyone is expected to attend.

Other Performances / Auditions:

November 2nd – SLT/Volunteers – Host 4A Area Marching Contest

November 13th – UIL Twirling Contest at Bullard

December 7th – Christmas Parade

December 12th – Christmas Concerts at PAC

December 14th – All Region Auditions at Henderson MS

December 16th -- Christmas Concert Tour at other campuses

4th Six Weeks: Monday Night Rehearsal:

Concert Band: 5:00-6:00 pm

Symphonic Band: 5:00-6:00 pm

Symphonic Winds: 6:00-7:00 pm

Wind Ensemble: 7:00-8:30 pm

No Monday Night Rehearsals

Other Performances/Auditions

January 11th – Area Tryouts (only those who qualify)

January 18th – ATSSB Clinic/Concert (only those who qualify)

January 31st – Drum Major Clinic for those interested

February 7th and 8th – UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest - LHS

5TH Six Weeks: Monday Night Rehearsals:

February 24th

March 3rd

March 10th

March 24th

March 31st

Other Performances:

March 13th – Pre-UIL Concert – PAC – During school

March 27h – Pre-UIL Parent Performance – PAC

April 3rd and 4th – UIL Concert and Sightreading Evaluations at Bullard

Important Dates:

TBA – Bullard Pre-UIL Contest

February 21st – LHS Twirler Audition Clinic LHS

February 28th – LHS Drum Major Clinic

March 7th – LHS Twirler Audition Clinic

March 14th – Twirler Auditions Aux Gym

March 28th – Drum Major Clinic

6th Six Weeks: Monday Night Rehearsal:

No Monday night rehearsals

Other Performances:

TBA Festival Performances

May 12th – Spring Concert

May 19th – TSSEC Qualifiers Ensembles Preview Concert

May 24th – 26th – UIL State Solo and Ensemble (those who qualify)

Important Dates:

April 14th – 17th – Squad Leader Interviews

April 22nd – 24th – Drum Major Clinics

April 24th – Drum Major Auditions