

2025 Summer Band Practice with Mr. G.

It is understood that students may be out of town. And if you are.... have fun!!!!! ©

However, if a student is in town, they should plan on attending the summer music practices. Please be aware, Color Guard practices are called and conducted by Mr. Gilbert and staff only. The same attendance rules apply: If the student is in town they should plan to be at practice. We will rehearse all the show music, warm-ups.

Monday &	Wednesday	Practices 1
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Week #1

June 9th
June 11th

Tuesday & Thursday

June 10th June 12th

Monday & Wednesday Practices

Week #2

June 16th June 18th

Tuesday & Thursday

June 17th June 19th

Monday & Wednesday Practices

Week #3

June 23th
June 25th

Tuesday & Thursday

June 24th June 26th

Woodwinds & Brass (Held together)

9:00 am - 5:00 pm 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Percussion & Colorguard (together)

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Why Summer June Band Practices?

The summer **JUNE** practices is to work on music, marching or band routines at a slower pace. This will greatly assist our **New Members** and serve as a refresher for returning folks. Albeit these are "volunteer" rehearsals, it is strongly recommended that if you are in town that you make every effort to attend. The sectionals will be fun and will greatly assist you when band camp starts.

Does a student *have* to come to summer **JUNE** band practice? In a word, no, **BUT** a student who is interested in marching for the fall show should make every effort to come to summer practices each time they are able. Early in the summer, the band learns the music for the fall show.

July & August Practice with Mr. G.

PRE-CAMP will be different this year. **FULL BAND** (**EVERYONE**). We will start learning drill during PRE-CAMP.

I.	PRE- CAMP DATES AND TIMES	<u>Time</u>
July	30 th	8:00 am until 5:00 pm
July	31 st	8:00 am until 5:00 pm
Aug.	1st	8:00 am until 5:00 pm

^{*}Is everyone required to attend Pre-Camp this year? Yes! YES!!! YES!!!

<u>Pre-Band Camp</u> is <u>REQUIRED</u> for everyone this year who plans to be in marching band. Please go ahead and get vacations scheduled around **Pre-Camp** and **Band Camp**.

BAND CAMP is **REQUIRED** for everyone who plans to be in marching band. Please go ahead and get vacations scheduled around band camp.

*If there is a conflict where you cannot attend, PLEASE LET ME KNOW ASAP

II. BAND CAMP DATES AND TIMES Time

Week # 1 Band Camp August 4, 2025-August 8, 2025 (Bring your lunch)

8:00 am until 6:00 pm

8:00 am until 5:00 pm

Week #2 Band Camp August 11, 2025 – August 15, 2025 (Bring your lunch)

Practice to Prepare, Prepare to Perform

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Preview Night

August 15, 2025 Camp on this day will last until 6:00 pm We will present our 2025 Production for family and friends.

III. **POST BAND** CAMP Practices with Mr. G.

Yes, there will be post band camp practices ©. Why? But why are you torturing us Mr. G.? **No torture**. \odot .

Trust me, I'm just like you. I would like to enjoy my last few days of break not practicing. But if we hope to do well at **STATE** competitions, we need to put in the work now.

What will we do at Post Band Camp?

We will review the music and drill that's already learned. The more we do now, the less we have to do

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Post Band Camp	<u>Time</u>
August 19 th	5:00 pm until 7:00 pm
August 21st	5:00 pm until 7:00 pm
August 26 th	5:00 pm until 7:00 pm
August 28 th	5:00 pm until 7:00 pm

IV. Saturday Camp

The is only 1 Saturday Camp, and it is a **REQUIRED CAMP.** We will add all the remaining bells and whistles to the show. I would like for us to be competition ready by the end of this rehearsal. We will have a parent reveal at the end of the day. This will give us the chance to perform our entire drill for the first time

Saturday Camp

September 6th

<u>Time</u>

8:00 am until 5:00 pm

V. POTENTIAL COMPETITION DATES

Competitions will be chosen from the following dates. Please plan on every Saturday until an official competition schedule is released. Competitions will not be decided until **late spring**.

An official announcement of performance dates will occur in the spring.

Tentative Competition Dates for 2025

<u>Date</u>	Competition Site	<u>Time</u>
September 27, 2025	Danville, Va	TBA
October 4, 2025	TBA	TBA
October 25, 2025	TBA	TBA
November 1, 2025	TBA	TBA

^{*}I will possibly choose 4 competitions, no more. Yes, I understand that other bands compete in 5 competitions each year. In my education and years, any more than 4 is no longer about the students, but self-glory for the director. Unless it is a NATIONAL COMPETITION, 4 local competitions will suffice in assessing where we are as a marching band.

VI. OTHER DATES TO KEEP HANDY

All County Band NO DATE SET AS OF YET (This is a collective

decision, not a Mr. Gilbert one. The actual date will probably be the Thursday before Thanksgiving)

Winter Band Concert TBA 7:00 pm

Spring Concert TBA 7:00 pm

^{*}Pleased know this schedule may change based on the school schedule.