

Mt. Lebanon Blue Devil Marching Band Weekly Newsletter



February 25, 2024

Dear Band Families,

Congratulations to the Wind Ensemble on their performance with the Bethel Park and North Hills Bands last Wednesday. We look forward to seeing our Concert Band and Wind Ensemble students perform at our next concert on March 5.

As always, times and locations may change, so please check the BAND app for the latest schedule, report times, and important announcements.

SAVE THE DATE ~ MT. LEBANON BAND BUILDERS ~ SPAGHETTI DINNER

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 5pm - 8pm

Mt. Lebanon High School Cafeteria

Dine in or Take out - Tickets and online order form coming soon!

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SCHEDULE for this WEEK

MONDAY, February 26

- 3:15pm - 5:15pm - WIND ENSEMBLE SECTIONALS/ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL

TUESDAY, February 27

- 7:15am - 8am - JAZZ ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, February 29

- 7:15am - 8am - JAZZ ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL
- 3pm - 9pm - Mt. Lebanon Percussion's Spirit Night at Jade Grille

FRIDAY, March 1

- 7:15am-8am - CONCERT BAND REHEARSAL

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- March Concert (Concert Band / Wind Ensemble) - Tuesday, March 5
- MLBB All-Hands Meeting - Monday, March 11
- Online Sarris Candy Orders Due - Friday, March 22
- MLBB Spaghetti Dinner - Friday, May 10

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE; REFER TO THE BAND APP FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE CALENDAR INFORMATION

REMINDERS

MLBB All-Hands Meeting - [Monday, March 11](#)

All parents / guardians are encouraged to attend our first all-hands meeting of 2024. During this meeting, we will select the nominating committee for 2024 - 2025 MLBB officers. We plan to meet in the High School auditorium from 7 - 8:30pm.

2024 - 2025 Audition Information - [Applications due by April 5](#)

Reminder: Do you wish to be considered for a student leadership position and / or Wind Ensemble? If so, remember that applications are due by April 5. Please see the links below for additional details:

- [Drum Major](#)
- [Unit Caption/Section Leader](#)
- [Wind Ensemble](#)

If you have any questions about the process or your application, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Cheskawich. Best of luck!

MLBB Spaghetti Dinner - [Mark your calendar for Friday, May 10](#)

Planning is underway for our Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser! It takes place on Friday, May 10 from 5pm - 8pm in the High School Cafeteria and Center Court. We'll offer both dine-in and take-out orders. This will be our largest fundraiser this spring, so we're asking all families to help us make the event a success.

Basket Raffle Donations - each section will be asked to donate items for a themed basket. Donations will be due by April 5 to allow time for online advertising and promotion. Starting in mid-March, we'll organize drop-off times before / after practice and during school pick-up - watch for details in the weekly newsletters.

Volunteer Roles - The planning committee is also working to identify volunteer roles (e.g., ticket handlers, kitchen assistants, and more). Watch for a sign-up and don't miss this chance to be part of this fantastic event! In the meantime, please reach out to Cathy Neergaard (cathy.neergaard@gmail.com) to learn how you can get involved.

Band Camp 2024 - [Save the dates](#)

Week 1: Monday, July 29 - Friday, August 2

Week 2: Monday, August 5 - Friday, August 9

FUNDRAISERS

Mt. Lebanon Percussion's Spirit Night at Jade Grille - Thursday, February 29

Join us at Jade Grille for a fundraiser to support Mt. Lebanon Percussion. Bring a copy of the [flyer from the BAND App](#), show your server a digital copy on your phone, or mention "Percussion" when ordering online.

- Thursday, February 29
- 3:00pm - 9:00pm
- Dine in or Take out (Uber Eat / GrubHub orders do not count)

MLBB's Spring Sarris Candy Fundraiser - Order online before March 22

There's still time to get your Sarris candy - in fact, it's super easy and fast (e.g., I placed an online order on Monday and the candy was delivered to my house on Wednesday)!

Online - Go to <https://www.sarriscandiesfundraising.com/VIEWBYCATEGORY.aspx?id=VA> and click on **SHOP NOW**. A window will pop up asking for your name and Group ID.

The Band's ID number is **10-0091**.

You will be able to shop all Sarris products including the Holiday-specific items. Shipping is a flat \$5 and will be shipped directly to you (or you can pick it up at the factory store in Cannonsburg). You can order online until March 22.

If you have any questions, please contact Katie Shaw at ktshaw74@gmail.com.

USEFUL LINKS

Useful Links

- [BAND app](#) - the latest schedule, updates, and important announcements
- [Web site \(http://www.leboband.com\)](http://www.leboband.com) - forms and information that does not change frequently.

