

THE BAND APP 2021-2022

Essential BAND Info

- Email leboband@gmail.com for an invitation to join Mt. Lebanon Blue Devil Marching Band.
- Email jcheskawich@mtlsd.net for an invitation to join Mt. Lebanon High School Concert Bands (Concert Band and Wind Ensemble).
- You can download the app to your phone or join from a desktop. You can access BAND from both.

What will BAND be used for?

- BAND is used for all internal communications. Only board and committee members will be able to create posts and events but all members can shout (similar to Facebook likes/reactions).
- BAND will be home to the most up-to-date calendar information.
- BAND will be used for event RSVPs, volunteer sign-ups, group surveys and fundraising promotions.
- BAND has a Chat feature, but we are not using it right now.

What about our other platforms?

- **Charms** will continue to be used for financial and student credit tracking only.
- Leboband.com will continue to house important forms and information for the public.
- **Google Classroom** will be used by Mr. Cheskawich to post items directly to the students.

How to link the BAND calendar to your personal calendar:

- Go to the Events (Calendar) page.
- At top right of the calendar, click on "Export"
- Select which calendar you would like to add to your personal calendar (you can add more than one).
- Select which calendar service you use, or copy the URL and paste it into your calendar system.

Are there any drawbacks to BAND?

- BAND is FREE to use. BAND sells stickers and games as in-app purchases. Some are free, some are not. If you don't want your student buying things, be sure to communicate that to them.
- Some reviewers feel there are too many notifications from BAND making it hard to recognize important information. Here are instructions to help you manage BAND notifications:
 - Click the Home button
 - More>Settings>Push Notifications>Turn off "Event Promotion Notifications" and "Service Notice" at bottom of screen
 - Hit the back arrow in upper left corner
 - Customize Each Band>MtL Blue Devil Marching Band:
 - Receive Push Notifications>ON
 - Posts>All (note that only Admins/Editors can post, so you'll be notified of only the important stuff)
 - Comments>Your choice, but we recommend "Involved"
 - Events>Reminders Only
 - Albums > Your Choice
 - Chat Push Notifications (We're not using Chats at this time)
 - In-app Notifications> Your choice, but we recommend "Involved"
 - Email Notifications> Your choice if you want to be emailed about BAND activity
 - Please DO NOT turn off push-notifications altogether!