

W.T. WOODSON HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

FALL GUARD

Registration Form

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ALL STUDENTS should return these forms and fees

See Forms and Fees Checklist last page

Due by June 21, 2023

Marching Cavaliers 2023

Our show this fall, *Faberge* (working title) is an exploration of the idea of musical and visual elegance. The source music fuses popular music together with intense classical and film music. The driving force behind our design process is to create a show that students will enjoy practicing, embrace the commitment and be absolutely proud to perform. Our design team has accomplished this for the 2023 fall show. Students can expect specialized instruction from our team of instructional staff members to help them learn and master their show, all while participating in performance opportunities across the region and building a strong sense of comradery and community.

Changes from previous years:

- The Pre-Season Marching Band fee has been rolled into the marching band fee to better streamline our accounting.
- A deposit of \$150 is required to secure a spot in Marching show.

Woodson Fall Color Guard 2023-2024

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What is Color Guard?

Color Guard with marching band as a whole is rooted in military traditions. The color guard was traditionally responsible for carrying the “colors” which means the state flag, US flag, and any service or unit flag that applied. These days, the color guard uses flags, rifles, and other faux military equipment to perform with the marching musicians. Together, they create a unique show each fall, with the color guard being the most visually expressive and colorful component of the marching band. Color guard is a critical component of our shows each year, allowing the band to have a much larger range of expression and artistic vision.

What are the expectations of attendance?

Attendance can be broken down into two segments: Band Camp and regular season.

Camp attendance is required in its entirety for participation. Each day of camp is roughly equivalent in hours to an entire week once we begin school, so each day covers a great deal of content and repetitions that are essential to our short term and long term success.

Once school begins, every member is expected to attend every rehearsal, each football game, and each competition. While occasional tardiness can be excused for certain activities, regular absences cannot be allowed. In terms of illness, if a student is well enough to attend school then we expect them to attend rehearsal. **Heavy homework and/or studying is NOT an acceptable excuse to miss practice.** If there is a question about this expectation, please contact Mr. Morgan directly at the email listed in the contact section of this packet.

Students with attendance issues in a particular week, for any reason, excused or unexcused may be asked to not perform that week due to safety concerns of learning or modifying show material. This is at the discretion of the director – students and parents are encouraged to consult the director if they have questions in this area *before* an absence.

Parent Involvement

Parent involvement and support is vital to the success of the Woodson Band/Guard program. All parents are expected to volunteer for at least one activity during the fall. Please understand that our events take a lot of manpower and we do not ask for help we do not truly need. Whether we need help chaperoning an event or working concessions, all parent help is essential each fall.

Communication

As in any activity, communication is key. There are a few different ways to make sure that you stay connected with the team and any band/guard related news. Complete the Registration Information page with accurate information as most communication will occur via email.

Please contact email with any questions, comments, or concerns that you have.

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Shane Gilbert - Guard Parent Representative: sgilbertnfo@gmail.com

How much does Color Guard cost?

The Woodson Band Patrons generously pays for many of the expenses associated with the Guard program. However, guard expenses include coaches, uniforms, special equipment, etc. In order to provide the best experience possible, these dues are a required part of participation in color guard. This year, our fees are as follows:

- **Fall Marching fee is \$400 total (includes the preseason fee and guard uniform)**

The Marching Band Fee covers the uniform, silks, bolts, tape, maintenance and replacement gear, and any other item deemed “consumable” that is used for only one season. As these items will be paid for by the student through this fee. Students are allowed to keep their uniform following the end of the season.

Woodson Color Guard 2023-2024

Band Camp Schedule

Week 1

July 31	8:00am-6:00pm
August 1	8:00am-6:00pm
August 2	8:00am-6:00pm
August 3	8:00am-6:00pm
August 4	8:00am-6:00pm

Week 2

August 7	8:00am-8:00pm
August 8	8:00am-8:00pm
August 9	8:00am-8:00pm
August 10	8:00am-8:00pm
August 11	8:00am-8:00pm
August 12	9:00am-12:00pm (Uniform Fitting Day Volunteer)

Week 3

August 14	4:00-7:00pm	Trivia Night
August 15	4:00-7:00pm	
August 16	4:00-9:30pm	Skit Night
August 17	12:00-7:00pm	Picture Day
August 18	4:00-9:00pm	Parent Preview Show & Cookout

Woodson Marching Cavaliers 2023

Schedule for Rehearsals and Competitions - **UPDATED 3/27/23**

Date	Time	Event	Location	Note
MON Aug 21 st	3:30-6:00pm	Guard & Percussion only	Band Field	
TUES Aug 22 nd	3:30-6:00pm	Winds Only	Band Field	
WED Aug 23 rd	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Aug 24 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
MON Aug 28 th	3:30-6:00pm	Guard & Percussion only	Band Field	
TUES Aug 29 th	3:30-6:00pm	Winds Only	Band Field	
WED Aug 30 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Aug 31 st	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
TUES Sept 5 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	FULL BAND Tuesday
WED Sept 6 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Sept 7 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
FRI Sept 8 th	5:00-9:30pm	Football Game - Oakton	Band Room	Performance
MON Sept 11 th	3:30-6:00pm	Guard & Percussion only	Band Field	
TUES Sept 12 th	3:30-6:00pm	Winds Only	Band Field	
WED Sept 13 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Sept 14 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
SAT Sept 16 th	8:00-3:00pm	TAG DAY	Band Room	ALL PERSONNEL
MON Sept 18 th	3:30-6:00pm	Guard & Percussion only	Band Field	
TUES Sept 19 th	3:30-6:00pm	Winds Only	Band Field	
WED Sept 20 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Sept 21 st	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
FRI Sept 22 nd	5:30-9:30pm	Football Game - Alexandria	Band Room	Performance
SAT Sept 23 rd	ALL DAY	VMBC Herndon Competition	Band Field	Performance
TUES Sept 26 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	FULL BAND Tuesday
WED Sept 27 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Sept 28 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
FRI Sept 29 th	6:00-9:30pm	Football Game (Away) color?	Band Room	FULL BAND REQUIRED
MON Oct 2 nd	3:30-6:00pm	Guard & Percussion	Band Field	
TUES Oct 3 rd	3:30-6:00pm	Winds only	Band Field	
WED Oct 4 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Oct 5 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
FRI Oct 6 th	5:30-9:30pm	Football Game – Fairfax	Band Room	Performance
TUES Oct 10 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
WED Oct 11 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Oct 12 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
SAT Oct 14 th	ALL DAY	Woodson Showcase	Band Field	Host Competition
TUES Oct 17 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
WED Oct 18 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Oct 19 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
FRI Oct 20 th	5:30-9:30pm	Football Game	Band Room	Performance
SAT Oct 21 st	10:00-7:00pm	BOA Mid-Atlantic	Band Field	Performance
TUES Oct 24 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
WED Oct 25 th	6:00-9:00pm	Full Band	Stadium	
THUR Oct 26 th	3:30-6:00pm	Full Band	Band Field	
FRI Oct 27 th	5:30-9:30pm	Football Game	Band Room	Performance, Senior Night
SAT Oct 28 th	ALL DAY	VBODA or Competition	Band Room	Performance

2023-2024 WOODSON BAND **Fall Guard** REGISTRATION FORM

Please Type or Print

DUE June 21st

STUDENT: _____ GRAD YR (circle one) **2024 2025 2026 2027**

T-SHIRT SIZE (circle): **S M L XL XXL** Shoes Size _____ Glove Size _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

STUDENT FCPS (LUNCH) NUMBER: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ STUDENT CELL PHONE: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME 1. _____

CELL PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME 2. _____

CELL PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

STUDENT EMAIL (**not FCPS**): _____

PARENT EMAIL(S): _____

LIST OTHER MUSIC GROUPS OR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – (Meeting Days): _____

Agreement:

I hereby grant permission for my son/daughter to participate in marching band related activities for the 2023-2024 school year. I have read and I understand the schedule and commit to my student attending all required marching band events. I understand that, once submitted, all payments are **NON-REFUNDABLE** should my son/daughter withdraw from the program. I understand that these fees and this signed form is **our commitment to participate** in the program. Forms and payments for marching band turned in after the due date are **not** guaranteed a permanent position in the competition show.

Parent's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Student's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Send check payable to: **“Woodson High School”** Put checks in the “Band Box” located in the Band room or Mail to W.T. Woodson High School Band, 9525 Main St., Fairfax, VA 22031

NOTE: Your finances should not stop you from being a part of the Woodson Band Program. Contact Mr. Morgan directly to discuss financial options.

2023 July 4th Parade Verification Form

NON-Marchers WELCOME!

Form due Friday, June 1st-

Student Name _____

I will be in town and will be participating in the July 4th parade _____

OR

(Parent Signature)

I will not be in town and will not participate in the July 4th parade _____

(Parent Signature)

The parade is: **Tuesday, July 4th**

The following dates are parade rehearsals. You do not have to attend all practices in order to participate, but please go to as many as possible.

Circle any that you **cannot** attend.

Rehearsals:

Thurs, June 29 6-8pm

Fri, June 30 6-8pm

Mon. July 3 6-8pm

Parade:

Mon, July 4 TBA (morning)