

TRUMPETER (ALL BANDS) 09/22/23 - Tonight's Game (need volunteers!) & Woodson Cavalier Showcase Info/SignUp (please sign up by 10/1)

*Happy Friday, band families. It's a big weekend for Marching Band with a game tonight and a competition tomorrow. **Tonight's football game could use a few more volunteers (especially for equipment). If you are able, please sign up to help.***

Also, updates to the 10/14 [Woodson Cavalier Showcase](#) schedule have been added to the sign up. All families are asked to please sign up to help by 10/1.

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Upcoming Events: (band calendar & event info on [band website](#))

- 9/22 – HOME football game performance (Alexandria)
 - 9/23 – VMBC South County competition
 - 9/29 – Football game away (all band required)
 - 9/30 – VMBC Herndon competition (CANCELLED)
 - 10/6 – **HOME football game performance (Fairfax) & SENIOR NIGHT!**
 - 10/7 – JMU Parade of Champions competition
 - 10/14 – **ALL BANDS – Woodson Cavalier Showcase ALL HANDS EVENT**
 - 10/18 – Band Parent/Family Meeting, 5:45 p.m., band room
 - 10/20 – Homecoming (HOME) parade and football game performance (South County)
 - 10/21 – Bands of America Mid-Atlantic Regional competition
 - 11/3 – HOME football game performance (Springfield)
 - 11/7 – Marching Band - End of Season Party time TBD
 - TBD – Marching Band - Awards Ceremony, day/time TBD
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All Bands – Next Band Parents/Family Meeting on 10/18 at 5:45 p.m.

Mark your calendars for our next Band Patrons/Family meeting, on 10/18 at 5:45 pm in the Band Room. We are going to try meeting on Wednesday's during marching band season, so you can drop your kiddo off to practice and then swing by the meeting. Notes from last night's meeting, [here](#). Hope to see you there!

Marching Band - TONIGHT'S GAME & GENERAL PERFORMANCE INFO

We need Equipment, Uniform, & Chaperones for Tonight's Game!

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for EQUIPMENT/PIT/PROP TEAM](#)

Equipment Info: We have a lot of props and equipment to get onto the field for each game and competition, so we need more volunteers to help with equipment and to tweak set up. See the logistics changes in the various equipment signups; if it's unclear where we need volunteers at what time, please let me know (equipment@woodsonband.org). If you can't make it to games or competitions, we'd still love the help load trucks/moving equipment. If you can both load and help at games/competition, please sign up for both slots, so we know how much help we have at each stage.

Uniform Info:

Marchers will be wearing their show shirts at the game as a trial run for the competition on Saturday. We will be checking out both Cavalier uniforms for the pants and a separate check out for show shirts. It may get cold at the game in the evening, bring your band. While official band jackets are preferred, any plain navy or Woodson navy jacket will be allowed. **Hair:** Due to the tight neckline of the show shirts, hair will have to be done AFTER putting on the show shirt. Please bring your hair supplies with you on Friday and Saturday. We will have some supplies available for those in need and there will usually be a parent available to assist as well but practice at home as help is limited by time and volunteer availability. **General cold weather uniform info:** Black leggings or thin black thermal pants under the required athletic shorts will be allowed. On nights when the cavalier uniform jacket is worn, students may wear white thermal shirts under their band t-shirt. On nights when the Faberge Show shirt is worn, a black thermal shirt may be worn under the band t-shirt but please make sure the sleeves are shorter than the show shirt sleeves.

All Bands - Woodson Cavalier Showcase – Saturday, October 14th

The Woodson Cavalier is THREE weeks away and we need YOU to help make it a success.

Woodson is hosting this [marching band competition](#) at the Pat Cunningham Stadium on October 14, 2023 from 5:00 – 8:30pm. **As with Tag Day, every band student and family is expected to volunteer for this event.** We'll need volunteer help on 10/13 and 10/14 with set up, ticket sales, sponsorship and promotion, parking and traffic, pit support, concessions,

Woodson band performance prep, and more! **Please commit to helping by 10/1, so that we can plan and communicate with volunteers, accordingly!**

[PLEASE SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER AT THIS LINK BY 10/1**](#)**

*NOTE: The sign up is for current band families and alumni band students and families. The planning committee will be coordinating current student volunteer responsibilities through Mr. Morgan and Ms. Landers. For more information on the event and how you can get involved, please contact Carrie Klein at wtwbandvicepresident@gmail.com. **THANK YOU!***

Marching Band - Game Performance Chaperone, Uniform, Equipment, & Concessions Volunteer Sign Ups

Football Game Signups: Free tickets to all Home Football games and one away game! Just sign up to volunteer with one of the teams below. **Sign up ASAP as these slots won't stay open for long!**

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- **HOME GAME vs ALEXANDRIA CITY (Friday Sept 22, 2023)**

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for EQUIPMENT/PIT/PROP TEAM](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for CONCESSIONS](#)

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- **AWAY GAME vs Lake Braddock (Friday Sept 29, 2023)**

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for EQUIPMENT/PIT/PROP TEAM](#)

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- **HOME GAME vs FAIRFAX (Friday Oct 6, 2023)**

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for EQUIPMENT/PIT/PROP TEAM](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for CONCESSIONS](#)

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- **HOMECOMING PARADE & GAME vs SOUTH COUNTY (Friday Oct 20, 2023)**

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for PARADE/UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for EQUIPMENT/PIT/PROP TEAM](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for CONCESSIONS](#)

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- **HOME GAME vs WEST SPRINGFIELD (Friday Nov 3, 2023)**

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for EQUIPMENT/PIT/PROP TEAM](#)

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for CONCESSIONS](#)

Marching Band - Competition Chaperone, Uniform, & Equipment Volunteer Sign Ups

Competition SignUps: Free entry to all Competitions! Just sign up to volunteer below. **Sign up ASAP as these slots will go fast!**

- South County Invitational (Saturday SEPT 23, 2023)
South County HS, Lorton VA

[CLICK HERE to help with UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE to help with EQUIPMENT/PIT](#)

- James Madison University Parade of Champions (Saturday OCT 7, 2023)
James Madison University, Harrisonburg VA

[CLICK HERE to help with UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE to help with EQUIPMENT/PIT](#)

- Bands of America Mid-Atlantic Regional (Saturday OCT 21, 2023)
SECU Stadium, University of Maryland, College Park, MD

[CLICK HERE to help with UNIFORMS/CHAPERONE](#)

[CLICK HERE to help with EQUIPMENT/PIT](#)

Marching Band – 10/6 Senior Night

Senior night for marching band will be on 10/6 during the home football game. What families need to know:

- Each senior will be recognized at the game (with their name announced to the stadium attendees). Their uniforms will be differentiated to indicate their senior status.
- Seniors and family/friends escorts (usually 2-3 people) will parade into the stadium together (students flanked by escorts) where students will receive a flower and have their picture taken with their escorts and with Mr. Morgan, Ms. Landers, and school administrative leadership.
- Students will receive more information, soon, from Mr. Morgan to designate their escorts. Before the event, escorts will receive information and instructions for what to expect on the night.

Concert Band – Ordered Uniform Info

Concert band orders from uniform fitting day are available for pick up in the band room. If you ordered a tux shirt, cummerbund, bow tie, or shoes (to wear with dresses), please pick those up.

All Bands – Spirit Wear Orders

All spirit wear orders and band polos have been distributed. If your student has not received theirs please have them check in the band room.

All Bands - Calendar Changes

Please see the [calendar changes in this document](#) and note the changes communicated by Mr. Morgan on 8/24:

- The competition on 9/30 has been removed
- Wednesday 10/11 practice moved to 3:30-6:30 due to a conflict with the stadium
- Practice on Tuesday 10/24 and Wednesday 10/25 has been cancelled
- The game on 10/27 has been removed
- Practice added on Thursday 11/2 from 3:30-6 (this is now our final practice)
- Game added on Friday 11/3 (this will now be our final game)

All Bands – Band Fee Info

The remaining fees for Band class (WE/SB/CB) and marching fees will be invoiced in mid-September by the school. Instrument rental fees, percussion class fees, and percussion marching fees are due now and can be paid online at My School Bucks by pulling it up a la cart. You can also pay these fees by check to “Woodson High School” and send in with your student to put in the band box. You could also mail it to W.T. Woodson High School Band, Attn Aaron Morgan, Director, 9525 Main Street, Fairfax, VA 22031. Mrs. Rabayda will be sending notices of those fees soon. Fees are as follows: Instrument rental (\$100), Percussion Class (\$60), Marching Percussion (\$30). Contact Chrissy Rabayda, clrabayda@fcps.edu, with any questions.

Link to the Band Calendar

Add the 2023-2024 Woodson Band Google calendar to your calendar by using the links below. Dates are current with the latest schedules distributed through Charms. Please expect that dates and times will change throughout the year and enable syncing to ensure you receive all updates.

- To add the Woodson Band 2022-23 calendar to your Google Calendar: Open your Google Calendar To the left, choose Other calendars and click on the plus sign Choose From URL Paste the following iCal URL
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/1?cid=ZGQzY2FiMjkzYzJiYTVjNmFIN2FkMjEzN2NINmUzZTQzNGlzMWVjNGIxN2JkNTc3ZDdkZmJiMjdlINTQ3ZGY4N0Bncm91cC5jYWxlbnRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t>
- To open the calendar in a web browser for other applications, use this link:
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/dd3cab293c2ba5c6ae7ad2137ce6e3e434b31ec4b17bd577d7dfbb27e547df87%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics>

Connect with the Band!

Charms Email Please contact Mr. Morgan or Carrie Klein wtwbandvicepresident@gmail.com if you are not receiving them. Meanwhile, the Trumpeter is posted to the website and all signup genius links can be found under "Current Volunteer Opportunities". You may expect weekly Trumpeters during marching season and monthly the rest of the year.

- **Woodson Band Website** <https://www.woodsonband.org/> Our webmaster (Thank you Shane) is fabulous. This is a great and up to date resource!
- Get **last minute notifications** Join "**Remind**" for text message alerts. Text the message @wtwba to the number 81010. You won't be overloaded with texts but this is helpful to get arrival times after competitions and other last minute notices. **NOTE: We will be updating the Remind list this week and deleting anyone who is not connected to a current band member (families of former band students).**
- **Facebook** - "WT Woodson Band Patrons"
- **Smugmug Photos** - <https://woodsonband.smugmug.com/>
- **Band Patrons meetings** will resume in September. All parents welcome and encouraged to attend.

*Did you make it to the bottom? Impressive! For you new parents, this might be overwhelming but don't fret! Take time to look through it and identify the **must-do requirements** (schedules, measurements due Aug 1, and connect with the band (calendar, Facebook, remind...). Do note **Uniform Fitting Day, Tag Day, and the Cavalier Showcase** are key dates and we'll need a lot of parents for those too! Just familiarize yourself with the rest and signup to volunteer when you're ready! Hearty thanks to all!*

Carrie Klein
Trumpeter Editor

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