

TRUMPETER (ALL BANDS) 11/03/23 (Final game, Nov & Dec events, District Band Auditions)

Hi All – As marching season officially wraps up after tonight’s game, the Trumpeter is going to shift to a monthly communication (with occasional Trumpeter blasts as needed!). Lots of fun events coming up in November and December noted in this Trumpeter, plus info on District Band auditions - so read on!

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

- 11/3 – Marching Band - HOME football game performance (Springfield)
- 11/6 – Band Room Clean Up, 9am – 2pm
- 11/7 – Marching Band – Student Social/End of Season Party time, 4:00 – 7:00pm
- 11/14 – Marching Band - Awards Ceremony, 6:30pm
- 11/16 – Band Family Meeting, 7pm, band room
- 11/28 – Holiday Tunes for Tots Rehearsal
- 11/29-30 – Holiday Tunes for Tots Event
- 12/6 – Winter Concert (6pm Report and Family Reception; 7pm Start)
- 12/14 – Winter Showcase
- 01/06 – District Band Auditions

Marching Band – Final Football Game Sign Up for 11/3

We could still use a few volunteers for our final home football game against West Springfield for concessions, uniforms, and equipment. See below to sign up and thanks!

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

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

[CLICK HERE To volunteer for CONCESSIONS](#)

Marching Band – Final Uniform Wash Sign Ups on 11/3

Sign up to take home 10 sets of uniforms to be machine washed. Pick up the assigned uniforms after the final football game on November 3. ****Pick up times are approximate to the expected end time of the game**** Instructions are included at pick up and the process is super easy!!!! **Return uniforms at the start of before the Marching Band Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, Nov. 14. The Awards Ceremony begins at 6:30. Please return uniforms between 5-6, so we can all enjoy the event at 6:30.** Contact Rhonda Finberg and Reiko Pendleton at wtwmarchingbanduniforms@gmail.com.

All Bands - Band Room Clean Up Day – 11/6, 10am-2pm

It's Band Room clean up time! The school bought us new shelves for the music library and the other library needs to be shelved and coded. We also plan to weed out some trophies and hang/rehang awards and band pictures. You don't have to commit to the entire time. We need **adult and student** help (*A few strong adults are needed to help hang pictures and shelves on higher walls). Adults reply to Chrissy Rabayda at clrabayda@fcps.edu. Students can just show up. Students will receive service hours/band points for their volunteer work. Free lunch will be served!

Marching Band – Student Social/End of Season Party, 11/7, 4pm

Join fellow students for a picnic and fun in the park to celebrate another successful marching season.

- **Date/Time:** Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 4:00 - 7:00 PM
- **Location:** Van Dyck Park (3720 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, VA 22030) in the Lower Pavilion. The Lower Pavilion is just past the tennis courts, on the left.

Volunteers Needed: Since this venue is a public park, we are requesting a few extra chaperones. [Click this link](#) for student RSVPs, to sign up with food contributions, and/or to volunteer as chaperone.

Marching Band – Marching Cavaliers Awards Program, 11/14, 6:30pm

Join students and families for an awards program (and dessert!) to celebrate another successful marching season, followed by a party for the students.

- Date/Time: Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 6:30 - 9:00 PM
- Location: Woodson Cafeteria

[Click this link](#) to RSVP, to sign up with food contributions, and/or to volunteer as food server or chaperone.

All Bands – Band Family Meeting on 11/16, 7pm

Thanks for joining us at the Band Family meeting on 10/18. Minutes from the meeting can be found [here](#). Next month's meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, 11/6 at 7pm in the band room (or nearby!).

All Bands - Holiday Tunes for Tots Fall Event – 11/29-30

Tunes for Tots is scheduled for November 29 & 30 at Woodson. Rehearsal will be on November 28. If you are planning on attending, we are near to reservation capacity. We will still take up to 50 walk-ins on both days. Volunteers are needed on 11/10 (for costume fittings), 11/28 for rehearsal, and on the event dates to help with room set up, attendee check-in, student costume fittings and more. [Please sign up here to help!](#)

All Bands - District Band Auditions – Jan 6, 2024

Cost \$12. Pay on My School Bucks or by Check to **Woodson High School** and put into band box. **Audition sign ups, [here](#)**. NOTE: If you sign up, you owe the fee regardless of whether you show up for the audition. Auditions will be held at Robinson High School. The All-District Performance is Feb. 1-3, 2024, at West Springfield High School.

Marching Band – Seeking Uniform Co-Chairs for Next Year

The marching uniform team is in need of a co-chair (or two) to fill Rhonda Finberg's position. The role of the marching uniform co-chairs is to co-manage Uniform Fitting Day with the Concert Uniform team and be responsible for uniform needs during football games, competitions, tag day, parades and other events. Please consider volunteering as co-chair for the 2024 season! We could really use your help. Plus, this is a great opportunity to get involved with the team and meet the students. If you don't want to co-chair, please consider joining the uniform team in a smaller role. Please contact Rhonda Finberg or Reiko Pendleton at wtwmarchingbanduniforms@gmail.com for more details.

RaiseRight Info

RaiseRight is an easy and almost passive way to make money for the band. You pay face value for the cards (or Ecards), and the band gets a percentage in return. The phone app makes it easy to reload your Starbucks or Dunkin Card, buy or reload Safeway or Giant cards for groceries/gas, and even pay for vacation travel. **An active RaiseRight program for our band could generate thousands of dollars in fundraising with very little effort.** Register a new account here <https://www.raiseright.com/enroll?enrollCode=65LB5ALF2145> (or contact Shawn Silverman for our enrollment code). You can order online or pay by check when you receive your cards. Ecards and reloads are available anytime! Please feel free to contact Shawn Silverman with any questions treasurer@woodsonband.org

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=ZGQzY2FiMjkzYzJiYTVjNmFIN2FkMjEzN2NlNmUzZTQzNGlzMWVjNGlXN2JkNTc3ZDdkZmJiMjdINTQ3ZGY4N0Bncm91cC5jYWxlbmRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t>

- 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

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