

## TRUMPETER (ALL BANDS) 05/04/24

*Hi everyone – Whew - there is a lot going on in the next few weeks as the 2023-2024 band season wraps! Read on to learn more. Also, this is my (Carrie -editor) penultimate Trumpeter. If you are interested in taking on Trumpeter duties, please let me know (wtwbandvicepresident@gmail.com).*

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

- 5/13 – Spring Small Ensemble Concert – 6pm
- 5/14 - Spring Concert, 6:15pm report, 7pm start (6:15 report)
- 5/16 – Year End Banquet & Awards Ceremony, Cafeterias A & B, 6:30pm
- 5/22 - May Band (Wednesday this time!), band room, 7pm
- 5/25 – Spring Clean Up Day
- 5/27 – Seniors, Concert, & Symphonic Concert Uniform Return
- 6/12 – Non-Senior Symphonic Concert Uniform Return

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## Hospitality Corner: Spring Concert & Year End Banquet

The Hospitality Team is hosting a reception prior to the Spring Concert on May 14, 2024. The reception will begin at 6:15 PM and will feature Krysti Pereira's world-famous lemon bars, Susanne Fitch's award-winning fancy ice ring and party punch. Don't miss this opportunity to mix informally with other band parents.

The banquet will take place in Cafeterias A and B on May 16, 2024, at 6:30 PM. Band and winter guard members, families and staff are cordially invited. **Volunteers are needed for set-up, serving, and clean-up. Please [sign up at this link](#). Thank you!**

**Food contributions are as follows:**

- Freshmen – Main dishes
- Sophomores – Side Dishes & Salads

- Juniors –Desserts
- Seniors – Please bring yourselves and your family

***WANTED : Hospitality Co-Chair Thanks in advance for applying. BTW – First, person to apply to Alexia Grimes or Susanne Fitch gets the job. Prize given for winning applicant.***

## **All Bands – Band Patrons/Family Meeting – Wednesday, 5/22, at 7pm**

The next band patrons meeting will be on [Wednesday, May 22](#), at 7pm in the band room. This year, we are going to have a HUGE turnover of family volunteers as students graduate from band. If you are interested in learning more about the various executive committee and at-large committee volunteer positions that will be available, please plan on attending. While it feels far away, next year's band season is really just around the corner. ***To be able to continue to support student participation in spring trips and competitions and to be able to purchase the instruments and equipment needed for a high level of musicianship, we need to maximize parent and family involvement. Please plan on attending the next meeting to learn more about open positions and how you can help and be involved.*** [April 2024 Band Patrons Meeting minutes](#)

Below are details on executive board positions and current committee co-chair information/calls for help:

- **President:** Chairman of the Executive Board and Director of the corporation. Conducts and coordinates the business of the Band Patrons by presiding at all regular, unscheduled, Executive Board and Executive Committee meetings. Coordinates programs with the Band Director. Serves as ex officio member of all committees.
- **First Vice President:** Director of the corporation. Assists the President and serves as the President in their absence. Performs other duties as the President may prescribe. Supervises the activities of committees as directed by the President.
- **Second Vice President:** Director of the corporation. Assists the President and serves as the President in the absence of the President and First Vice President. Performs other duties as the President may prescribe. Supervises the activities of committees as directed by the President.
- **Secretary:** Director of the corporation. Serves as the recorder for the minutes of all regular, unscheduled, Executive Board and Executive Committee meetings. Maintains for official purposes the Constitution and By-Laws, Articles of Incorporation and Annual Report. Keeps a roll of active members for quorum and other purposes. Performs all duties as the President may prescribe. Supervises the activities of the committees as directed by the President.
- **Treasurer:** Director of the corporation. Safeguards the funds of the organization. Prepares financial reports required under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Reports financial status at each regular Executive Committee meeting. Prepares an annual budget with the assistance and approval of the Executive Board that is then submitted to the general membership no later than October 15 of each year. Disburses

funds as authorized herein. Supervises the activities of the committees as directed by the President.

- Committee Chairpersons: Performs duties as prescribed by the President. These committees may include but are not limited to such groups as Chaperones, Alumni, Concert and Marching Uniforms, Concessions, Equipment, First Aid, Hospitality, PTSO rep, RaiseRight, Tag Day, Trumpeter, Tiny Tots, and Website.
- Hospitality Co-Chair Needed: WANTED - Partner who dines!!! If you like #eventplanning and #throwinggreatparties, then I've got the perfect job for you. Join the #fun as the hospitality co-chair for Woodson band. Don't hesitate to make your reservation. Contact Alexia Grimes (alexia.grimes@yahoo.com) to reserve your spot.
- First Aid Co-Chair Needed: First Aid is looking for a second person to split games and competitions time. Must be comfortable with blood and handling small incidents. Band Patrons will cover the cost of First Aid/CPR training. To join the team, come to the March Band Parents Meeting or email [kpereira1077@gmail.com](mailto:kpereira1077@gmail.com) for more information.
- Trumpeter Editor & Spring Banquet Brochure Creator: We'll need a new Trumpeter Editor and someone to create the spring banquet brochure. If you are interested in either role, please contact Carrie Klein at [wtwbandvicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:wtwbandvicepresident@gmail.com) (note, we will be changing emails to reflect the new school name as we switch over positions at the end of this year).

## All Bands – Spring Clean Up, Saturday, May 25

Please come help us on Saturday 25 May from 0800-1400 for a Spring Clean-up. We need to clean up, build out the storage sheds, maintain, move and organize our equipment and instruments. No particular skills are required, just eager helpers. Don't worry if you can't be there the whole time, please just sign up and indicate what time you anticipate you can spare. Bring the kids! **Students will be given volunteer credit for their assistance.** Coffee, refreshments and a free band T-shirt (while supplies last) will be provided. Thanks, and [sign up at this link!](#)

## All Bands - Concert Uniform Return Process

**All Seniors and 2023-24 Concert and Symphonic Band Members:** Clean your uniforms immediately following the concert on 5/14 and **return to the band room by May 27.** Make sure your clean uniform is in your garment bag with your name tag showing.

**2024-25 Wind Ensemble:** Clean your uniform IMMEDIATELY following graduation and **return to the band room by June 12.**

**Tuxedo Cleaning Instructions:** Wash the garment bag in cold water and hang to dry. Dry clean tux. Put the receipt in the name tag holder of the garment bag. Keep shoes, shirt, tie, cummerbund, and socks at home.

**Dress Cleaning Instructions:** Wash your garment bag in cold water and hang to dry. Wash dress in cold water, delicate cycle, and hang to dry. Insert a note in the name tag holder that your dress was washed. Keep your shoes and socks at home for next year.

**Graduating and want to donate uniform parts?** Please donate any bow ties and cummerbunds after your last performance. We would especially like to have marching shoes. Polo shirts may also be donated. A box will be placed inside the band room for you to drop off these items.

## **All Bands – Band Uniform Fitting for 2024-2025 (Dates Below!)**

**All students for 2024-25:** Everyone will need both concert and Cavalier marching uniforms. Non-Marching students still need the marching uniform for Tag Day. **Please use the link below to submit the measurements no later than July 15, 2024.** Providing measurements now will streamline the process during Uniform Fitting Day in August. Please note: the link below contains the same information (QR code) provided in the registration packet.

[24-25 Band uniform pre-fitting measurements - Google Forms](#)

**Competitive Marching Band students:** The Marching Band Uniform team is measuring **everyone who plan to participate Competitive Marching Band** next season on **May 20 and May 21, 2024**. Like last year, Woodson HS Marching Band will have custom made competition show uniform tops for this fall. High schoolers will be measured during their band class. Current 8<sup>th</sup> graders and high schoolers who cannot make it during the band class will be measured after school from **3:00-4:00**. If you are unable to make those days, please email [woodsonmarchinguniforms@gmail.com](mailto:woodsonmarchinguniforms@gmail.com) to make alternate arrangements. These show tops must be ordered first week of June.

**Students:** Please wear a close-fitting T-shirt and leggings, athletic shorts, or close-fitting pants to help ensure we get the best measurements possible.

**The Marching Uniform team would welcome 1 or 2 volunteers if anyone has a free afternoon Monday and/or Tuesday (5/20 & 5/21).** Email: [woodsonmarchinguniforms@gmail.com](mailto:woodsonmarchinguniforms@gmail.com).

## **All Bands – Band Buddy Program Restarting!**

Do you remember when you had a rising 9th grader and all sorts of marching and band related questions? We are starting a band buddy program and need parents to sign up to help answer incoming band parent questions. If you are willing to be paired with another family please sign up at [this Sign-Up Genius link](#).

## **All Bands – Band Registration for 2024-2025 School Year**

2024/2025 Woodson Band registration forms are on the website or in the class room. Please get them in ASAP. Fees that **can be** paid through My School Bucks: Instrument rental (\$100), Marching Percussion fee (\$30), and Class Percussion fee (\$60) Fees that **CANNOT** be paid through My School Bucks until they are invoiced this summer: Marching Band fee (\$400), Band

Class fees will be invoiced in September. Fall Guard fees must be paid to the Woodson Band Patrons. (\$400) via check. To pay online you have to make prior arrangements and pay the credit card fee in addition. Woodson Band Patron donations must be paid to the Woodson Band Patrons by check or online at the website donation button. Please **DO NOT** pay any invoiced fees unless you are sure you owe them. We have no control over when the system sends the invoice out and you might have made a partial or full payment in that time. You can always check with Chrissy Rabayda, Band Secretary, [clrabayda@fcps.edu](mailto:clrabayda@fcps.edu), before making any payments.

## All Bands – Jazz Library Catalogue Project – Student Volunteers Needed

Student volunteers are needed to help catalog Jazz library. Contact Mrs. Rabayda at [clrabayda@fcps.edu](mailto:clrabayda@fcps.edu). You can pick your own time to work on it. It is a long-term project that will be going on for a while. You can work on your own or with a buddy.

## 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](mailto: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 2023-2024 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=ZGQzY2FiMjkzYzJiYTVjNmFIN2FkMjEzN2NINmUzZTZQzNGIzMWVjNGIxN2JkNTc3ZDdkZmJiMjdlINTQ3ZGY4N0Bncm91cC5jYWxlbmRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t>
- 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](mailto: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.

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*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, 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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