

Vandegriff High School Band

Weekly Announcement Sheet

September 20-25, 2021

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Weekly Schedule

Week of September 20

Region Band Masterclasses Continue: C Week Hearing Times

Monday, September 20 –

Tuesday, September 21 – Rehearsal, 4:15-6:45 PM

Wednesday, September 22 – Wind Ensemble Midwest Pictures (AM); Rehearsal, 3:00-5:00 PM (Early Release Day); VISION Sectional Rehearsal, 5:00-6:00 PM

Thursday, September 23 – Rehearsal, 4:15-6:45 PM

Friday, September 24 – Contest Preview Performance – Itinerary Below

Saturday, September 25 – Bands of America Austin Regional – Itinerary Below

***Please check the Region Band Google Classroom for your hearing time schedule.*

Week of September 27

Region Band Masterclasses Continue: C Week Hearing Times

Monday, September 27 – Leander ISD Festival of Bands – Itinerary Below

Tuesday, September 28 – Rehearsal, 4:15-6:45 PM

Wednesday, September 29 – Rehearsal, 3:00-5:00 PM (Early Release Day)

Thursday, September 30 – Rehearsal, 4:15-6:45 PM

Friday, October 1 – Football Game vs. Vista Ridge (HOME) – Senior Night! – Itinerary Below

Saturday, October 2 – No Contest (Off)

Region Master Classes Continue THIS Week!

All Masterclasses begin at 7:30 unless otherwise indicated

Monday

Soprano Clarinet (Councilor) – Band Hall

Saxophone (Rosinbum) – Ensemble Room

Bass Trombone (Arrendando)– Kitchen

Tuesday

Horn (Kroenig) – Band Hall

Bassoon (Onieal) – Ensemble Room

Oboe (Cruz) - Kitchen

Wednesday

Tuba (Hummel) – Band Hall

Trombone (Dorsey) – Ensemble Room

Euphonium (Mest) - Kitchen

Thursday

Trumpet (Elorreaga) – Band Hall – **7:15 AM START**

Flute (Kaplan) – Ensemble Room

Bass Clarinet (McElhinney) – Kitchen

Wind Ensemble Pictures, Wednesday, September 22 – 7:30-11:30 AM

Wind Ensemble Students – please check the Google Classroom this evening for specifics regarding Midwest Pictures. Information will also be sent out via the BAND App.

Senior Parents

If you have not filled out [the Google form](#) for your student for senior night, please do so ASAP.

Pick Up Your Spirit Wear Orders!

All spirit wear orders are in a gray tub in the band hall. This gray tub is kept by the double glass doors that lead to the small outside parking lot. Please pick up your order!

VHS Band and Vision COVID Update

As I'm sure you have heard, Leander ISD has announced a district-wide mask requirement effective **Wednesday, August 18.**

MASKS INDOORS:

Leander ISD requires woodwind / brass students to wear masks during indoor band rehearsals unless students are actively playing their wind instruments. Percussion students will remain masked while playing indoors. Masks are also expected for Vision Dance Company students, but optional when actively dancing.

As mentioned in previous band communication, students may use "playing masks" if they choose. Students are permitted to wear a "normal mask" and simply pull it down to play and pull it back up when not playing. The students had much practice at this throughout last year and this should be an easy adjustment. The band program will not be providing playing masks.

Leander ISD requires all staff, parent volunteers, and visitors to wear masks while indoors. If there are questions about the LISD Mask Policy, Opt-Out, etc – please contact LISD Administration.

MASKS OUTDOORS:

Leander ISD's policies regarding masks during **outdoor** activities (including marching band rehearsals, performances, and competitions) have not changed (recommended but optional).

DAILY EVENTS:

All Viper Band rehearsals, master classes, and private lessons (before, during, and after school) will continue as scheduled.

As a Band and Vision Staff, we are committed to doing all that we can to provide an exceptional experience for our students as we navigate through this situation.

UPCOMING ITINERARIES

PARENT PERFORMANCE

Contest Preview Performance, Friday, September 24 – 7:00 PM

Monroe Stadium – Vandegriff High School

**Parents can enter stadium through the home side gates. There are no tickets required for this event.

7:15 AM – Leadership Meeting

8:40 AM – School Begins – bring all items necessary for the performance to the band hall

- Black Shoes
- Black Performance Wear
- Black Socks
- Instrument (cleaned and polished)
- Flip Folder
- Water Jug (full)

4:00 PM – School Ends

4:15 PM – Run Through Rehearsal - Stadium

5:15 PM – Inspection, Eat, Change

6:15 PM – Pre-show Warm Up

6:45 PM – Move to Gate

6:55 PM – At Gate

7:00 PM – Enter Field

7:05 PM - PERFORM

7:25 PM – Meeting in the End Zone

7:45 PM – Hang up uniform correctly and go home and get some sleep!

BAND COMPETITION

Bands of America Regional Championship - Austin, Saturday, September 25

Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex, 10211 W. Parmer Ln, Austin, TX 78717

**This competition is a Prelims-Finals format. If we advance past prelims, we will compete again in the Finals Competition.

Parent Tickets – For ticket and event information, please visit:

Parking – Spectator parking for this event is \$5.00. Parking attendants will accept cash upon entrance to the stadium.

9:30 AM – Band Hall Opens

10:00 AM – Students Arrive

10:15 AM – Run Through on Band Field

11:30 AM – Inspection and Load

11:45 AM – Eat Lunch

12:45 PM – Load Buses

1:00 PM – Depart Vandegriff High School

1:30 PM – Arrive at Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex, 10211 W. Parmer Ln, Austin, TX 78717

2:55-3:40 PM – Warm Up in Area C

2:55-3:25 PM – PIT Warm Up Time

3:35 PM – PIT Report to Gate

3:50 PM – Band Report to Gate

4:00 PM – Prelims Performance Time

4:15 PM – Prelims Competition Ends

4:30 PM – Uniforms off/put away equipment

4:30 PM – Prelims Awards Presentation

5:00 PM – Meeting/Dinner (should we draw an early finals time, dinner may be adjusted)

*****The schedule for the remainder of the evening will be based on making finals, and what our potential draw would be in that finals competition. The outline from Bands of America for the rest of the evening is as follows:***

6:30 PM – Gates Open

7:00 PM – National Anthem and Introductions

7:30 PM – First Finalist Band Performs

10:30 PM – Finals Competition Ends

10:45 PM – Finals Awards Presentation

LEANDER ISD FESTIVAL OF BANDS

Performance Schedule, September 27 (Monday), Event Begins at 6:30 PM

Gupton Stadium, 200 Gupton Way Dr., Cedar Park, TX 78613

This event will feature all six LISD high school marching bands in exhibition performances. There will also be a mass band performance with all middle school bands.

4:00 PM – School Ends

4:15 PM – Run Through on Band Practice Field

- No props for Run Through (prop truck will begin to load)

4:30 PM – Load at Practice Field

4:45 PM – Inspection and Dinner

5:30 PM – Load Buses

5:45 PM – Depart VHS

6:20 PM – Gupton Stadium, 200 Gupton Way Dr., Cedar Park, TX 78613

7:10-7:40 PM – Warm Up

7:40 PM – Move to Gate

8:00 PM – Viper Band Performs!

8:15 PM – Load Front Ensemble/Band Moves to Retreat Block

8:30 PM – Mass Band Performance with all HS/MS Bands

8:45 PM – Festival of Bands concludes/Load

9:30 PM – Depart Gupton Stadium

10:00 PM – Arrive at VHS

Football Game - WEEK 5 (SENIOR NIGHT)

Game Day Schedule – HOME - Vandegriff vs. Vista Ridge HS, October 1-7:00 PM

Monroe Stadium-Vandegriff High School

****Highlighted items are for seniors only**

7:15 AM – Leadership Meeting (leaders – see food schedule on Howard's window)

8:40 AM – School Begins – bring all items necessary for the game to the band hall

- Black Shoes
- Black Performance Wear
- Black Socks
- Instrument (cleaned and polished)
- Flip Folder
- Water Jug (full)

3:30 PM – Run Through in Stadium

4:15 PM – **Seniors head straight to Dinner**

4:15 PM – Inspection

4:30 PM – Dinner (underclassmen)

5:45 PM – **Seniors finish dinner; get in uniform for pictures**

5:00 PM – Band finishes dinner; get in half-uniform (bibs)

4:50-6:05 PM – **Seniors take pictures (report to Lecture Hall entrance to line up for pictures)**

6:10 PM – Band assembled in two's outside band hall; **Seniors in front**; walk to stadium

6:25 PM – Band sets up in stadium seating block; **Seniors line up for presentation**

6:35 PM – **Senior Presentation**

6:50 PM – Pre-Game (School Song, National Anthem, etc)

6:50 PM – **Senior Pictures in front of Field House in Letter Jackets**

7:00 PM - Kick Off

****8:15 PM - Half Time (we will perform our show at Half Time)**

**10:00 PM - Game Ends

**10:30 PM – Students are dismissed

***All of these times are approximate and depend on the length of the football game.*

Other Important Upcoming Events

Friday, September 24 – Contest Preview Performance

Saturday, September 25 – Bands of America Austin Regional (Prelims Performance Time – 4:00 PM)

Monday, September 27 – LISD Festival of Bands

Friday, October 1 – Football Game vs. Vista Ridge (HOME)

Friday, October 8 – Football Game vs. McNeil (AWAY)

Saturday, October 9 – Texas Marching Classic (Prelims Performance Time – 12:15 PM)

Official Band Calendar: Please visit our official calendar at vhsband.com. This calendar will be maintained and updated on a regular basis.