

# Vandegriff High School Band

Weekly Announcement Sheet  
September 27-October 1, 2021  
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## Weekly Schedule

Week of September 27

### **Region Band Masterclasses Continue; No Hearing Times**

**Monday, September 27 – Leander ISD Festival of Bands** – Itinerary Below  
**Tuesday, September 28** – NO MASTERCLASSES; 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)**

Week of October 4

### **Region Band Masterclasses Continue; A Week Hearing Times**

**Monday, October 4** –  
**Tuesday, October 5** – Rehearsal, 4:15-6:45 PM  
**Wednesday, October 6** – Rehearsal, 3:00-5:00 PM (Early Release Day)  
**Thursday, October 7** – Rehearsal, 4:15-6:45 PM  
**Friday, October 8 – Football Game @ McNeil (AWAY)** – Itinerary Below  
**Saturday, October 9 – Texas Marching Classic** – Itinerary Below

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

## **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**

No Masterclasses

### **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  
Bassoon (Onieal) – Ensemble Room

## **SENIOR NIGHT REMINDERS**

Seniors, if you have a letter jacket, take it to the band hall starting Wednesday (have it there by Thursday afternoon). These are for senior night, and there will be racks to hang them on.

Senior parents: please read the email with the senior night itinerary. Email [membership@vhsband.com](mailto:membership@vhsband.com) if you have any questions.

## **Festival of Bands Parent Information!**

Spectator information for Festival of Bands and future competitions will now be posted on our website - <https://vhsband.com/contest-information/>. This page will be updated as we receive details about each event.

## **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**

### **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.**

**Tickets: CAN ONLY BE PURCHASED ONLINE - <https://leanderisdfinearts.ludus.com/index.php>**

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)

4:45 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 PAC 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.*

## **FOOTBALL GAME - WEEK 6**

### **Game Day Schedule – AWAY - Vandegriff @ McNeil, Friday, October 8-7:00 PM**

Dragon Stadium, 201 Deep Wood Dr., Round Rock, TX 78681

7:15 AM – Leadership Meeting

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)

3:15 PM – Students are released to "End of Day" PIT (Band students report to band hall)

3:25 PM – Run Through Rehearsal - Stadium

4:15 PM – Inspection, Eat, Load Truck at the Stadium

5:15 PM – Load Buses

5:30 PM – Depart VHS (this is the earliest we can depart due to bus routes)

6:20 PM – Arrive at Dragon Stadium, 201 Deep Wood Dr., Round Rock, TX 78681

6:50 PM – Move into stands

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

7:00 PM – Kick Off

**\*\*8:15 PM – Halftime: VHS Legacies and Band perform first (We will perform toward the Home stands)**

\*\*10:00 PM – Game Ends

\*\*10:30 PM – Load Truck and Buses

\*\*11:00 PM – Depart Dragon Stadium

\*\*11:45 PM – Arrive at Vandegriff; Unload

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

## **BAND COMPETITION**

### **Texas Marching Classic, Saturday, October 9**

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:  
<http://texasmarchingclassic.ch2v.com/content.asp?PageID=9>

Parking – Parking is free for this event.

6:15 AM – Band Hall Opens

6:45 AM – Students Arrive

7:00 AM – Run Through on Band Field

8:00 AM – Inspection and Load

8:15 AM – Eat Breakfast

9:15 AM – Load Buses

9:30 AM – Depart Vandegriff High School

10:00 AM – Arrive at Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex, 10211 W. Parmer Ln, Austin, TX 78717

11:15AM-12:00 PM – Warm Up in Area C

12:10 PM – Band Report to Gate

#### **12:15 PM – Prelims Performance Time**

12:45 PM – Put away instruments at truck/change out of uniform

1:15 PM – Depart for Vandegriff High School

1:30 PM – Lunch/Relax at the Band Hall (great time to take care of homework!)

4:00 PM – Load Buses/Depart for Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex

4:30 PM – Prelims Competition Ends

4:50 PM – Prelims Awards Presentation

5:30 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 Texas Marching Classic for the rest of the evening is as follows:***

6:45 PM – Gates Open

7:05 PM – National Anthem and Introductions

7:30 PM – First Finalist Band Performs

10:45 PM – Finals Competition Ends

11:00 PM – Finals Awards Presentation

### **Other Important Upcoming Events**

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)

Tuesday, October 12 – UIL Region Marching Contest

**Official Band Calendar:** Please visit our official calendar at [vhsband.com](http://vhsband.com). This calendar will be maintained and updated on a regular basis.