# Vandegrift High School Band

Weekly Announcement Sheet November 29-December 4, 2021 www.vhsband.com

### **Weekly Schedule**

Week of November 29

TMEA Audition Week!

Monday, November 29 -

**Tuesday, November 30 –** Region Band Mock Auditions (Mr. Norris will send out room assignments) **Wednesday, December 1 –** Early Release; Vision/Legacies Audition Workshop, 4:30-6:30

**Thursday, December 2 –** Vision Audition Workshop, 4:30-6:30; TMEA Region Band Auditions-PHASE 1 **Friday, December 3 –** 

Saturday, December 4 – Playoff Game vs. Westlake HS (Itinerary Below); TMEA Region 32 Band Auditions – PHASE 2

\*\*The Playoff Game will include all Woodwind, Brass and Battery Percussionists who are not at Phase 2 of Region Band (Vision/Front Ensemble will be given the option to attend and will polled during class on Monday)

Week of December 6

Winter Concert Week! Please see Winter Concert rehearsal schedules below

Monday, December 6 - Vision/Legacies Mock Auditions

Tuesday, December 7 - Vision/Legacies Auditions

Wednesday, December 8 - Winter Concert - LISD South PAC (CPHS) - 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 9 -

Friday, December 10 -

Saturday, December 11 – Midwest Send-Off Concert – Bates Recital Hall, University of Texas

### TMEA Region Band Auditions - Phase 1:

On Thursday, December 2, Phase 1 of the TMEA Region Band audition process will occur at Westlake High School for students from the Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Trumpet, French Horn, Tenor Trombone, Tuba and Percussion sections. All students in the Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Winds, and select students from Concert Band 1 and 2 will participate in these auditions. A detailed list of all auditioning is posted in the band hall. Auditions begin at 6:00 PM. All students should make plans to be at Westlake High School no later than 5:00 PM. Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from the event. Auditioning students will be permitted to leave school at 3:45 PM, so that they will have plenty of time to eat prior to auditions. Once we receive more details on the number of students auditioning per section, we can give a time estimate on how long each audition will last. Students may leave once their audition is complete. Results for each section will be posted approximately 30 minutes following the conclusion of each audition.

For PERCUSSIONISTS ONLY – **PERCUSSIONISTS** will start their audition early at 3:00 PM. They will be released from school at 1:00 PM and will need to be at Westlake High School by 2:00. Due to the expected length of the percussion audition, this will hopefully get students home much earlier than they have in the past.

### TMEA Region Band Auditions - Phase 2:

On Saturday, December 4, Phase 2 of the TMEA Region Band audition process will occur at Westlake High School for all students advancing from Phase 1 as well as all other sections not participating on Thursday evening. Auditions begin at 2:00 PM. All students should make plans to be at Westlake High School no later than 1:00 PM. Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from the event. Once we receive more details on the number of students auditioning per section, we can give a time estimate on how long each audition will last. Students may leave once their audition is complete. Results for each section will be posted approximately 30 minutes following the conclusion of each audition.

Winter Concert Rehearsals, Week of 11/29 & 12/6 – Symphonic Band, Concert Band 1, Concert Band 2

The following rehearsals are mandatory for all students. All concert bands will be working to quickly prepare for the Winter Concert and will utilize this time to combine winds and percussion on all music. If you have questions about your rehearsal schedule, please reach out to the conductor of your ensemble.

### Winter Concert Rehearsals, Week of 11/29 & 12/6

Symphonic Band	Monday, 12/6	7:15-8:30 AM (Before School)
	Tuesday, 12/7	4:15-6:15 PM (After School)
Concert Band 1	Tuesday, 12/6	7:15-8:30 AM (Before School)
	Thursday, 12/7	7:15-8:30 AM (Before School)
Concert Band 2	Friday, 12/3	7:15-8:30 AM (Before School)
	Wednesday, 12/8	7:15-8:30 AM (Before School)

#### **Wind Ensemble Midwest Schedule**

This calendar is consistent with your Google Calendar. Please see the GC for the week of 12/13.

Week of November 29

Monday, November 29 – 4:15-6:15 PM - Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 30 - 8:30AM Start

Wednesday, December 1 - 3:00-5:00 PM - Rehearsal (Omar Thomas)

Thursday, December 2 - Mr. VanDoren during Class

Friday, December 3 – 8:30AM Start (Program Run during class)

Week of December 6

Monday, December 6 - 4:15-6:15 - Rehearsal (Mr. VanDoren); 6:30 PM - Trip Meeting

**Tuesday, December 7 –** 4:00-6:00 PM – Recording Session

Wednesday, December 8 – 7:30 AM – Rehearsal; Winter Concert (3/4 Program Run)

Thursday, December 9 - 4:15-6:15 - Rehearsal

Friday, December 10 - 7:30 AM - Rehearsal (Richard Floyd); 4:30-5:30 - Full Program Run

Saturday, December 11 – Midwest Send-Off Concert – Bates Recital Hall, University of Texas

### **Fundraising**

Support Vandegrift High School Band Booster Club on Amazon Smile for all your holiday shopping!



If you are not already an AmazonSmile member, simply sign up at <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> and select Vandegrift High School Band Booster Club to start generating donations, at no cost to you. Open the app and find 'Settings' in the main menu ( $\equiv$ ). **Tap on 'AmazonSmile'** and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile on your phone.

#### Ornaments are coming!

Please watch your inbox for an invoice if you pre-registered for a Stronger Together or Juliet Letters ornament. Prompt payment is appreciated. Ornaments will be distributed in early December.

## **UPCOMING ITINERARIES**

#### Football Game – PLAYOFF GAME 4

Game Day Schedule - HOME - Vandegriff @ Westlake - Saturday, December 4 - 2:00 PM

Darrel K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium, 2139 San Jacinto Blvd, Austin, TX 78712

\*\*The Playoff Game will include all Woodwind, Brass and Battery Percussionists who are not at Phase 2 of Region Band (Vision/Front Ensemble will be given the option to attend and will polled during class on Monday)

10:15 AM – Arrive at Band Hall – bring all items necessary for the game

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

10:30 AM – Students Meet on Band Field with all instruments/flipfolders for a short rehearsal

11:00 AM – Load Truck/Lunch in Band Hall

11:45 AM – Load Buses

12:00 PM - Depart VHS

12:35 PM – Arrive at Darrel K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium, 2139 San Jacinto Blvd, Austin, TX 78712

12:45 PM – Unload Instruments and assemble stadium seating

1:15 PM – Move into stands (we are the Visitors)

1:45 PM – Pregame (School Song, Fight Song, National Anthem)

2:00 PM - Kick Off

\*\*3:15 PM – Half Time (we will perform toward the Visitor's side)

\*\*4:30 PM - Game Concludes (School Song, Fight Song, Announcements)

\*\*4:45 PM – Load Buses/Truck

\*\*5:15 PM – Depart DKR-Texas Memorial Stadium

\*\*5:45 PM – Arrive at VHS

#### **Other Important Upcoming Events**

Thursday/Saturday, December 2/4 – TMEA Region 32 Band Auditions – Westlake HS Wednesday, December 8 – Winter Concert – LISD South PAC Saturday, December 11 – Wind Ensemble Midwest Send-Off Concert – 7:00 PM Friday, December 17 – Wind Ensemble Midwest Performance – 5:30 PM – Chicago

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

<sup>\*\*</sup>These times are approximate and will depend on the length of the football game.