

# Patriot Notes

APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER

## News and Spring Recap:

There have been some amazing things happening in our PHS Band Programs this spring! Here are a few highlights:

- The Wind Ensemble earned Superior ratings (the highest rating given) in both concert and sight reading at the Concert Performance Assessment at MTSU in March.
- Senior Cianan Reed and sophomore Caden Mohnke earned All-State Band recognition, Cianan for Jazz Band and Caden for Concert Band. Caden has also been accepted to the prestigious Interlochen Summer Music Camp.



- Congratulations to our PHS Winter Guard on completing a successful season with their fabulous show, "Curated." Special thanks to Director Bethany Harper for her work with Color Guard and Winter Guard this year.

- The annual PHS Band Banquet was a fantastic evening of celebrating our seniors and enjoying fellowship among our band families. A huge thank you to Kathy Cumbie and Merilee Singletary for planning and organizing this event, and to Andy Hudson for the senior video, which can be found [here](#). Thirteen students received recognition at the banquet for their achievements and contributions to the band programs this year, as pictured below:



L to R: Lydia Sitlinger, Emma Trubey, Anica Meyerhoff, Audrey McKnight, Faith Vogel, Drew Hammer, Will Braden, Will Hudson, Caden Mohnke, Lucas Johnson, Emma Wilson, Cianan Reed, Michael Kickirillo, and Director Taylor Kollmeier.

## Upcoming Events and Opportunities:

All band students and parents, including rising freshmen, are invited to the band hall on **TUESDAY, MAY 3 @ 6:30 PM** for our kickoff event for next year's band season.

Mr. Kollmeier will share his plans for the band programs for next year, including a reveal of the fall marching show! Join us for refreshments and **free t-shirts for students!**



This event will be in conjunction with our regular Band Boosters meeting where we will introduce new board members for the coming year and discuss plans for the summer and fall.

***This includes volunteer and fundraising opportunities that support all of our PHS Band Programs. Learn how YOU can get involved and help make our bands the best they can be!***

### • • • TIER 3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! • • •

Parents, if you want to be able to volunteer with the band, please start your Tier 3 Volunteer application process now! You will have an opportunity to start this at the kickoff event, or go to <https://www.wcs.edu/domain/1207> to get the forms. The forms are easy but there is a long waiting period to get them processed, so turn them in ASAP to be ready for fall!

### • • • IT'S ALMOST FLAG SEASON • • •

One of our most visible fundraisers is our American Flag Program, which involves placing flags in the yards of program subscribers on five flag-related holidays per year. It starts on Memorial Day and requires a lot of volunteers. We would love to have **ALL** of our band families participate. More info on page 2!

### • • • CONCESSIONS, ANYONE? • • •

We are still looking for an Assistant Coordinator for our largest fundraiser: football game concessions. See page 2 or contact Kim Miles at [PHSBBtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:PHSBBtreasurer@gmail.com).

**Mark Your Calendars . . .**

And don't forget to always check the band calendar for the latest updates: <https://www.fredpageband.com/calendar>

**April 23 - Flag Shed Maintenance Day, 8 AM-12 PM** (rain date is 4/24 from 1-5 PM). Come and help get the flag shed in order for the upcoming season, and help put 400 flags back on poles after off-season maintenance. Sign Up Genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084cafaa2ba02-flag10>

**April 25-29 - Fall Color Guard Clinic and Audition, 4:30 PM**  
Learn the skills and audition for Fall Color Guard. You do not have to be in a band class to be in Color Guard! Please share this with any rising 9th-12th student who may be interested.

**May 3 - Season Kickoff and Band Booster Meeting, 6:30 PM**  
Join us in the band hall for info about next season and to welcome our rising freshman families. See page 1 for more details.

**May 6 - Spring Concert in the PHS Auditorium, 7 PM**  
Performance by the Wind Ensemble and Freshmen Band. Jazz Band will perform on May 13.

**May 7 - Band trip to Nashville Shores!** RSVP's were due by April 20. Watch your email for additional details.

**May 13 - Jazz Band Concert at PHS Celebration of the Arts, 7 PM in the PHS Auditorium.**

**May 27 - PHS Graduation** - Congratulate our Seniors!

**May 30 - Memorial Day** - Sign up for flag routes!

**May 31 - Marching Band Music Rehearsal, 5-8 PM**

••• See the [Band Calendar](#) for rehearsals in June. •••

**June 14 - Flag Day** - Sign up for flag routes!

**July 4 - Independence Day** - Sign up for flag routes!

**JULY BAND CAMP DATES!**

- Color Guard Camp - July 11-15
- Leadership Camp - July 14-15
- Band Camp Week 1 - July 18-22
- Band Camp Week 2 - July 25-29

**August 5-13 - Williamson County Fair** - Sign up for shifts in the ticket booths!

**FALL DATES:** See the [Band Calendar](#) for football games, Saturday rehearsals, competitions, parades, and other events.

**Additional Info - Be In the Know!**

**Make plans to help with our American Flag Program this summer!** This is one of our most visible fundraisers and involves placing large American flags in the yards of subscribing families on flag-related holidays. The flags are beautiful and subscribing is a great way to support the band: <https://www.fredpageband.com/flag-service>. The more flags there are in a neighborhood, the better it looks, so tell your friends and neighbors and ask them to subscribe! It also requires a lot of volunteers to make this happen, so please consider signing up for morning placement and evening pickup routes when the signups come out. Families can do this together and it counts for senior volunteer hours! We would love to have **all** of our band families participate in at least two shifts during the summer. The first three flag placement days will be Memorial Day (May 30), Flag Day (June 14), and the Fourth of July. Sign-ups will begin on the night of our Fall Kick-off.



**Another major fundraiser for the Band Boosters is the Williamson County Fair, August 5-13.** The Page Band provides volunteers to man all of the entry ticket booths and in return receives a large donation from the fair board from a portion of the ticket sales. These evenings are so much fun and a great way to raise funds and spread name recognition for the band. This is another activity that requires an army of volunteers, and we would love to have **all** of our band



families participate to fill all the shifts. It's a great way to meet other band families at the beginning of the season, and seniors can get volunteer hours. Watch for a SignUp Genius for this event.

**SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE:** The Marching Patriots Insiders Facebook page has been renamed [Fred J. Page Band](#), to reflect a broader representation of all of our band programs. This is a private group page but all band parents and students are invited to join!

**Assistant Concession Stand Coordinator Needed for the Fall!**

Kim Miles has agreed to be in charge of our largest fundraiser this fall, which is the football concession stand. But this is not a one-person job, she needs an assistant to help with coordination and logistics. ***If you love to shop at Costco, or if you have a favorite concession food you would like to see served as the games, this is the position for you!*** Contact Kim at [PHSBBtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:PHSBBtreasurer@gmail.com).