

Vandegrift High School Band

Weekly Announcement Sheet

August 7-11, 2023

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Weekly Schedule

Week of August 7, 2023 - Summer Band Rehearsals are required of all Band/Vision students

Monday, August 7 – Summer Band Rehearsal (7am-4pm)

Tuesday, August 8 – Summer Band Rehearsal (7am-4pm); Band Booster Meeting (7pm)

Wednesday, August 9 – Summer Band Rehearsal (7am-4pm)

Thursday, August 10 – Summer Band Rehearsal (7am-4pm)

Friday, August 11 – Summer Band Rehearsal (7am-11am; Band Pictures 12pm-2pm)

Week of August 14, 2023 - Summer Band Rehearsals are required of all Band/Vision students

Monday, August 14 – Summer Band Rehearsal (5pm-**8:30pm**)

Tuesday, August 15 – Teacher Appreciation Breakfast (7:15-8:30am), Summer Band Rehearsal (8:30am-**11am**)

Wednesday, August 16 – **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!**

Thursday, August 17 – Full Band Rehearsal (3:50-6:20pm)

Friday, August 18 – Main Event Party (5:30-9:30pm)

Information for Upcoming Events

Band Booster Meeting, August 8 – 7:00pm (Mandatory for at least one parent per student)

At the Band Booster Meeting, we will be discussing medical procedures for students in the VHS Band as well as other necessary information as we move into the marching band season. Because of this, this meeting will be mandatory for at least one parent/guardian per student in the organization.

Band Pictures, Friday, August 11 (Parent Information)

Band and Vision will be taking group and individual pictures with Photo Texas on Friday, August 11 at 12:00pm. All students will be included in the group/section picture and will have the opportunity to take individual pictures if they choose. **Photo Texas order forms will go home this week.**

End of Summer Main Event Party - Friday, August 18 (5:30-9:30pm)

This is a fun event for all Band and Vision students to celebrate the end of Summer Band and beginning of the school year! The Main Event Party costs **\$25** and includes Bowling, Laser Tag, Billiards, Shuffleboard, Minigolf, \$10 FUNcard, Pizza & Soda. The **\$25** can be paid in cash or a check payable to "VHS Band" and given to **Mr. Norris**. The due date for Main Event money is **Friday, August 11th**. (Dinner is two slices of pizza with no allergy accommodations.) Please plan on attending!

While the students are having fun, we will have reserved tables for band parents and guardians to gather and socialize. Food and beverages for parents / guardians will be available for purchase at your own expense.

Spirit Wear - DEADLINE TO ORDER IS TODAY, AUGUST 6

TODAY is the LAST day to Pre-Order:

- Spotlight show shirts, Band or Vision Mom/Grandma shirts, SENIOR (White) Vision Dance Company tees, Black VDC tees

Click here to order: [Once Per Year Special Items | Vandegrift HS Band & Vision Booster \(square.site\)](#)

At 11:59 p.m. TODAY, Square 2 closes (meaning it will be gone forever) - this is the last chance to pre-order:

- Band Aid Volunteer Tee (for Band Aid trained crew only), Band duffels with personalization, Band hoodies with personalization, Band & Vision sweatpants, Band & Vision Polos, Lightweight Hoodies, Stadium Blankets, Quarter Zips with a simple V logo

Click here to order from Store Two: [Home | Vandegrift Band Store \(linksoft.com\)](http://linksoft.com)

Chaperoning Basics – Virtual Meeting Wednesday, August 9

It takes a village to help the band at football games and competitions! We will go over the basics of being a chaperone at the meeting on Tuesday and if you have questions Jessica Cance (VP) will be hosting a virtual "drop in" Wednesday night from 5-7 PM (Google meet call: <https://meet.google.com/wvf-rwfm-nrr>), or you can reach out at vp@vhsband.com.

All volunteer roles (chaperone, pit viper, hospitality, etc.) require LISD approval and a background check and must be renewed every year. Please visit the [LISD EZ volunteer sign in](#) to begin or renew the registration process.

Teacher Appreciation Breakfast – Tuesday, August 15

Each year, the Band hosts a special breakfast for all 240 VHS teachers and staff the morning before school starts! We need your help to make this event a success. Please check out the link below and sign up to contribute to the breakfast. There are opportunities to donate money, provide items, and to volunteer at the event itself.
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15vpSviRplUevay0ig-ZIFo3ODWkz2TCWqCIWSNYluw4/edit#gid=1920372805>

Send any questions to the Hospitality Chair, Nina Nickerson, at hospitality@vhsband.com

Mentoring

Freshman and new-to-program parents - there's lots to learn as a new parent in this program. Are you interested in having an experienced band parent you can lean on for questions? We've got ya covered. Sign up for the mentoring program and we'll match you with an experienced band parent who can give you advice and clarify any questions or areas of confusion.

Experienced band parents - we need you to mentor! Pay it forward, and pass on your wisdom. Sign up to be a mentor or mentee [here](#).

UPCOMING ITINERARIES

Schedule for Tuesday, August 16 (Teacher Appreciation Breakfast)

7:15am Students Arrive at Band Hall for Warm Up
8:00am Students Perform for VHS Faculty
8:30am Performance Ends/Prep for Rehearsal (can change if needed)
8:45am Rehearsal Begins
11:00am Rehearsal Ends

WEAR: show shirt, drifti shorts, tennis shoes

BRING: flip folder, instrument, all things needed for rehearsal

Other Important Upcoming Events

August 8	Band Procedures and Band Booster Meeting (required for one parent)
August 11	Band Pictures (12pm)
August 14	Summer Band Rehearsal (required for all Band/Vision members)
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August 18	End of Summer Band Main Event Party!
August 25	FOOTBALL - Vandegriff @ Dripping Springs, Tiger Stadium (AWAY)
August 28	VHS Open House
September 1	FOOTBALL - Vandegriff vs. Cedar Park (HOME) - 8th Grade Night!
September 4	Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
September 8	FOOTBALL - Vandegriff @ Waco Midway (AWAY) - Pep Band Only
September 15	FOOTBALL - Vandegriff @ Stony Point, Dragon Stadium (AWAY)
September 16	Dripping Springs Drumline Contest
September 18	TMEA Region Jazz Auditions
September 22	Contest Preview Performance
September 23	BOA Austin Contest
September 25	NO SCHOOL
September 27	Homecoming Parade and Pep Rally
September 29	FOOTBALL - Vandegriff vs. Manor (HOME) - Homecoming

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