

TJ Band Calendar for Curricular Groups 2024-2025 (updated 2/17/25)

Date	Time	Event	Location	Group(s)	Required
Monday, September 30 th	4-9pm	Senior Regional Orchestra Auditions	TJHSST	SB/SWE/SP/PE	Volunteer – YES. Audition – NO
Fri-Sun, October 3 rd -7 th	Virtual window	All-VA Jazz Auditions	Opus Event Website	Jazz Ensemble	NO
Thursday, October 10 th	6:30pm	Tri-M Inductions and Student Recital	TJHSST Auditorium	Tri-M + Inductees	YES - (TJMC excused early as needed)
Wednesday, October 16 th	7:00pm	Fall Concert	TJHSST Auditorium	SB/SWE/SP/PE	YES
Thurs Nov 7 th - Sat Nov 9 th	ALL DAY	Senior Regional Orchestra	Hayfield Sec. School	Selected Members	YES for those who made the group
Friday, November 15 th	7:00pm	Viennese Ball	TJHSST Gym 2	Jazz Ensemble	YES
Tue-Thu, November 19 th -21 st	All Day	All-VA Jazz Event	Norfolk, VA	Selected Members	YES for those who made the group
Wednesday, December 11 th	7:00pm	Winter Concert	TJHSST Auditorium	SB/SWE/SP/PE	YES
Saturday, January 11 th	Morning/early PM	All-District Band Auditions	Robinson Secondary	SB/SWE/SP/PE	NO
Thurs, Jan 30 th - Sat Feb 1 st	ALL DAY	All-District Band Event	West Springfield HS	Selected Members	YES for those who made the group
Friday, February 14 th	7-9pm	Valentine's Dance	TJHSST Cafeteria	Jazz Ensemble	YES
Wed, February 26 th	7:00pm	Pre-Assessment Concert	TJHSST Auditorium	SB/SWE/SP/PE	YES
Saturday, February 22 nd	TBD	All-Virginia Band and Orchestra Auditions	JMU	Eligible Members	YES for those who are eligible
Mon-Wed, March 10 th -12 th	TBD	Band Assessment Concerts	GMU Ctr for Perf. Arts	SB/SWE/SP/PE	YES
Wed-Sun, March 12 th -16 th	Overnight	MfA National Concert Band Festival	Indianapolis, IN	SWE/PE Only	Option allowed, see paperwork/in-class discussion
Sunday, Mar 30 th	Day Trip	AIA Championships (Drum Line – Mar 30)	Hampton Roads, VA	Winter Drum Line	YES
Wed-Sat, Apr 2-5	Overnight Trip	WGI Color Guard World Championships	Dayton/Cincinnati, OH	Winter Color Guard	YES
Thurs-Sat Apr 24-26	ALL DAY overnight	All-VA Band/Orch Event	Richmond, VA	Selected Members	YES for those who made the group
Saturday, May 3 rd	ALL DAY	Solo and Ensemble	Frost MS	SB/SWE/SP/PE	NO – ALT DATE AVAILABLE
Tuesday, May 6 th	6:00pm	Student Recital	TJHSST Auditorium	Volunteer Students	NO
TBD Thurs or Friday, May 8 th or 9 th	5:30-8:30pm	Chantilly Jazz Fest	Chantilly HS	Jazz Ensemble Combo	YES for volunteers
Wednesday, May 14 th	6:00pm	Student Recital	TJHSST Auditorium	Volunteer Students	NO
Saturday, May 17 th	10am-5pm	Mattress Warehouse Fundraiser	Mattress Warehouse 3425 King St., Alexandria	Volunteer Students/JE	NO
Wednesday, May 21 st	7:00pm	Spring Concert	TJHSST Auditorium	SB/SWE/SP/PE	YES
Friday, May 30 th	6:00pm	Jazz Cabaret (and silent auction *NEW)	TJHSST Cafeteria	Jazz Ensemble	YES
Friday, May 30 th	7:30pm	Band Banquet (and silent auction *NEW)	TJHSST Cafeteria	SB/SWE/SP/PE/WG/DL/JE	NO
Wednesday, June 11 th	9:30am	Graduation	GMU Eagle Bank Arena	SWE and select SB/PE	YES

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Notes –

The dates listed here are rough estimates for next year. If they say “*tentative*” then please know they could adjust significantly. These will be updated as time passes and this document will be updated along with them. Please use this as a general guide for what to expect but stay tuned as adjustments are made.

The events highlighted in BLUE are the only required events for ALL Curricular Band members. ALL OTHER LISTED EVENTS are either optional, or only required for an ensemble that is optional.

The Jazz Ensemble will occasionally be asked to perform at events that come up throughout the year. We rely on the students to check their calendars when we are asked to perform and get back with Mr. Ballard quickly to see whether we can accept the gig.

The Spring Trip is usually an optional music department trip that may or may not be offered each year. When it is offered, it is usually open to all members of the program and sign-ups happen after destination, fees, and details have been announced. We may or may not partner with the Orchestra for such an event. THIS YEAR, we will be taking a trip with the Wind Ensemble and Percussion Ensemble groups only to the National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis, IN. The Symphonic Band and Percussion *likely not* have the opportunity to pair-up with the Orchestra on their trip this year.

There are additional 8th Period rehearsals that students are expected to attend that are posted on the intranet and in the band room well in advance.

Calendars for TJMC, Winter Drumline and Winter Color Guard will be posted on the website and distributed separately. They include regular rehearsals after school as well as weekend competition events in Feb, March, and April in addition to the listed events above.

Communication is the key! If there are ever any issues, please communicate with me as soon as possible to see if there are any possible solutions.