



Churchill Charger Band
Information Night

2023-2024

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Stay Connected

Parent Band App: <https://band.us/n/a0a782G593p2R>



Stay Connected

Student BandApp: <https://band.us/n/a1a38aGe9fQb5>



Social Media

Facebook: Winston Churchill Charger Band

Instagram: @wcband

Twitter: Churchill_Band

Youtube Channel: Winston Churchill Charger Band

Colorguard Facebook: Winston Churchill Color Guard

Instagram: chargercolorguard

Twitter: WCChargerCG

<https://wcchargerband.org/sale-merchandise>

<https://wcchargerband.org/spirit-items>

Preliminaries: Auditions

- Every students who signs up for band and colorguard is in the year round program. Auditions are for class schedule placement.
- Middle School/New Member auditions are May 1st - 4th, 4:30pm-6:00pm
- Veteran Member In Class Auditions are May 1st - 5th
- Instrument/equipment distribution will be during Mini Band Camp on May 16th - May 19th
- Percussion auditions in May for placement in a battery class period or front ensemble class period. Concert Percussion auditions will be in December in order for those students to be placed in a concert band class
- Color Guard camps and auditions will happen in April and May

Registration Form Examples

All Forms must be completed by May 19th

All Forms: will be on Cheddar Up/Band Website

Registration Form Example:

Band Financial Form

Preliminaries: Registration Forms

- **Financial Forms** - Due by Friday, May 19th during Registration Night. First installment of fees is \$141 due to band box in band hall Monday, April 10th. The May payment will be based off of Individual Gear Fee.
- **Handbook** – This form indicates that you understand the student handbook located on the band website.
- **Code of Conduct** – NEISD policies show that fine arts and athletics are held to a higher standard. This document will be due on first day of school.
- **UIL 8 Hour Rule** – Churchill Charger Band adheres to the UIL 8 hour rehearsal requirement.
- **Medical Records** – The band program carries medical records of each student as we travel.
- **Physicals** – NEISD has required physicals that are due by July 19th before summer band camp
- **Private Lesson Form** – Private lessons are HIGHLY encouraged. An interest form will be online and due at Registration Night.
- **Instrument Rental Agreement Form** - For students using a school owned instrument

Financial Form:

- **Fair Share Fee \$987 includes:**
 - Equipment: guard flags, rifles, flags, percussion mallets, sticks and drum heads
 - Instruction: Tech staff, clinicians, sound engineer, guard instructor, UDB, Smartmusic
 - Services: Show design, music, drill, masterclasses, contest meals, etc.
- **Individual Gear Fee (Varies) includes:** Show Shirt/Travel Shirt/Charger Shorts, water jug, shoes, meal plan
- **First installment date** – April 10th, all day to the Band Hall Band Box until 6:00pm. That amount is \$141
- **Financial Form location** -Registration Night Forms Due on your child's Registration Night with payment for Individual Gear Fee to Churchill or cash w/receipt

Financials Continued

- **Fees must be paid in full in order to:**
 - Attend any extra performances or events
 - Attend Spring Trips
 - Attend Banquet
- **Fundraisers do happen throughout the year to assist with Finances**
 - Cookie Dough
 - Rummage Sale
 - HEB Cards
- Winterguard and Percussion will have extra fees for the Spring Semester - details to come in percussion and guard camps

Physicals

- Each student will need to have a physical on file with the band
- July 19th is the drop off date
- Please go to [WC Charger Website/forms](#) and print out form and take to your doctor to fill out.

Cut Time Account

- Cut Time is our online database where we send email, contact info, financials, etc.
- Everyone will need to make an account - students and guardians
- Click [here](#) to set up your account
- All accounts must be created or updated (veterans) by May 19th

Mini Band Camp:

- DATES & TIMES – May 16th - 19th from 4:30pm-7:30pm
Registration Nights (Wed-11th/12th graders, TH-10th graders, Fri-9th graders)
- GOALS – Fundamental understanding of marching band procedures, rehearsal techniques, marching style, show music.
- ATTIRE – Running Shoes, school appropriate athletic shorts, white t-shirt, cap, sunglasses, and guard in black shirt and shorts
- SUPPLIES - Instrument, music, pencil, water jug

Summer Break:

- **ENJOY YOUR BREAK!!** Get plenty of rest. Have fun with your friends and family.
- **STAY ACTIVE!** Get outside everyday! Condition your body for the heat to come. Online workout videos in the Google Classroom
- **DRINK PLENTY OF WATER!** Hydration does not start on the first day of summer band.
- **GO SEE/WATCH ONLINE LIVE MUSIC!** Tobin Center, musicals at the Majestic, 4th of July concerts, etc.
- **PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE** everyday. Even if you only play for 30 minutes a daily this will help to keep your chops in shape.
- **Wind Ensemble** will be performing for The Texas Bandmasters Association Convention on Thursday, July 20th.

Summer Band Camp/August

- **Music Camp: May 31st - June 1st, 9:00am - 3:00pm for Winds**
- **Jazz Ensemble Camp - June 2nd - 9:00am - 1pm**
- **Percussion and Guard Camp - May 31st - June 2nd - 9:00am - 5:00pm**
- **Band Camp Week 1: July 24th- July 29th, 8AM-6PM**
- **Week 2: July 31st– August 5th, 8AM-6PM w/prep days and inservice days**
- **Week 3: August 7th-11th, 5PM-8PM/Saturday, August 13th, 8am-5pm**
 - Tentative Meet the Band/Picture Day, Saturday, August 13th

Students bring lunch and have section and band bonding time

Students work on Concert and Marching music

End the week with games and fun events

Family end of camp performance and events

Some Items Needed

- Summer Band - White shirt for winds and percussion, black shirt for guard, athletic shorts, tennis/running shoes, hat, sunglasses, band water jug, sun block, lunch, towel/yoga mat, equipment, music.
- Future items - khaki shorts, blue jeans, flip folder, lyre (winds excluding Tuba and percussion)

Parent Volunteers:

The Charger Band's success greatly depends on the involvement of parent volunteers!!! We ask that all parents volunteer at at least one event. It's fun and we have a very strong and welcoming band parent association (BPA)!

Parent Volunteers:

BPA The support and fundraising arm of the program for supplies, instruments, materials, and student needs.

EXAMPLES INCLUDE:

CONCESSIONS

CHAPERONES

CREW

GUARD/JAZZ REPRESENTATIVE

FUNDRAISING



**Winston Churchill Charger Band
Band Parents Association**



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Winston Churchill Charger Band Band Parents Association

Mission

The Band Parents Association (BPA) of Winston Churchill High School supports our Charger Band and its programs through volunteering, fundraising, and parent leadership. The BPA promotes the musical education of our students, supports the band director, encourages excellence, and fosters a positive sense of community within the Band and throughout Winston Churchill High School.



Winston Churchill Charter Band Band Parents Association

Volunteer Background Check

If you intend to volunteer and participate during events when direct contact with students is needed, you **MUST** fill out the volunteer background check form with NEISD. This is an annual requirement.

<https://portal.neisd.net/volunteer?SOURCE=V>

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Volunteer Program Online Registration

Volunteer Criminal History Record Check

i In order to determine the suitability for volunteering and/or mentoring in a school setting, I authorize the North East Independent School District, pursuant to Texas Education Code Section 22.083, to obtain any criminal history record information. I understand that this may include a search of local, state and/or federal law enforcement agency records, and hereby expressly release any and all information these agencies may provide.
If there is a need for clarification of my identity, I agree to provide additional information, including but not limited to photographs and fingerprints.

First Name M.I. Last Name Nickname

Date of Birth mm/dd/yyyy Ethnicity --Select-- Gender --Select--

Street Number Street Name City Zip *****

Phone *****

D/L Number D/L State --Select--

E-Mail Address: Confirm E-Mail Address:

I will volunteer at: (Add up to four schools)
 --Select--

Please click the Add Selected School button after each school you select

All the info you need
is just one click away:

wcchargerband.org



Band Parent Buddy Program



Invest in Your Child

From A Parent's Point of View

One of my friends asked "Why do you pay so much money for your kids to do band?" Well I have a confession to make, I don't pay for my kids' band. Personally, I couldn't care less about band.

- So, if I am not paying for the band, what am I paying for?
- I pay for those moments when my kids become so tired they want to quit but don't.
- I pay for those days when my kids come home from school and are "too tired" to go their practice, but go anyway.
- I pay for my kids to learn to be disciplined.
- I pay for my kids to learn to take care of their body.
- I pay for my kids to learn to work with others and to be good team mates.

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- I pay for my kids to learn to deal with disappointment, when they don't get that score they'd hoped for, but still have to work hard in the grading.
- I pay for my kids to learn to make and accomplish goals.
- I pay for my kids to learn that it takes hours and hours and hours of hard work and practice to create a champion, and that success does not happen overnight.
- I pay for the opportunity my kids have and will have to make lifelong friendships.
- I could go on but, to be short, I don't pay for band, I pay for the opportunities that band provides my kids with to develop attributes that will serve them well throughout their lives and give them the opportunity to bless the lives of others. From what I have seen so far I think it is a great investment!

Private Lesson Staff:

Flute – Paige Wendorf: 210-323-3306

Clarinet – Tyler Guzman: tylerjguzman5@gmail.com

Saxophone – Josue Mora: jmwoodwinds@gmail.com

Oboe – Mika Valezuela: 903-701-6007 mav.oboe@gmail.com

Bassoon - Mark Rogers: mrogers2@satx.rr.com

Trumpet – Dr. Andy Cheetam 210-350-0075

Forrest Spengler: forrest_spengler@yahoo.com

French Horn – Nicole Mora: 915-494-9484

Trombone - Carter Richardson: carterrichardson0531@gmail.com

Euphonium – John Caputo: 478-213-8187: thecapoots@gmail.com

Tuba - Jose Segovia: sirtar@aol.com

Percussion – George Torres: georgetorresiii@gmail.com

Tentative Class Schedule:

1	Jazz Ensemble/Instrumental Ensemble	5	Lunch
2	Conf.	6	Symphonic Band
3	Instrumental Ensemble/Colorguard	7	Concert Band
4	Wind Ensemble/Drumline	8	Instrumental Ensemble/Front Ensemble

Rehearsal Schedule:

Rehearsal Style	TIMES
ONCE A WEEK- 3 hour rehearsal	4:35-7:35 PM or 2:30-5:30PM
TWICE A WEEK - 2.5 hour rehearsal	4:35-7:05 PM
*STADIUM REHEARSAL	5:30 - 8:30PM

All rehearsals follow the UIL 8 Hour Rule. Rehearsal ends at the printed time, so please allow students about 15 extra minutes after rehearsal ends to put things away. Rehearsals Any conflicts are worked out on a case by case basis.

*We do have select rehearsals at Heroes or Comalander Stadium Those nights will start around 5:30. Transportation will be by families on those nights due to bus route conflicts. Those dates will be on the band calendar.

Four Year Academic Plan

Can I be in Band and take advanced classes or another elective?

[Music Course Four Year Plan](#)

Fall

Football Games

Pep Rallies

Region Jazz Auditions

UIL/BOA/Vista Ridge

Region Band

Spring Auditions

Colorguard



Marching Season

Band-Tober: NATIONAL BAND MONTH

- September 26th - Tentative NEISD Fall Festival
- October 7th - Vista Ridge Marching Contest
- October 14th - UIL Marching Contest
- October 21st - Area Marching Contest
- October 28th - BOA Waco
- November 3rd and 4th - BOA San Antonio
- November 6th - Charger Band Extravaganza

December

Region Band Auditions

Region Orchestra Clinic and Concert

Winterguard Rehearsals continue

Winter Concert

Spring Auditions

January

Area Band Auditions

Region Jazz Clinic and Concert

Region Band Clinic and Concert

Sectionals and Full Band Rehearsals begin

Musical Rehearsals

Full Orchestra for Wind Ensemble begins

Winterguard

February

Percussion Solo Recitals

Winterguard Contests

Texas State Jazz Festival

TMEA - Texas Music Educators Association

March

SPRING BREAK

Pre UIL Concert & Sight Reading Concert

Jazz Festivals

Winterguard Contests/Camps

UIL Concert and Sightreading Evaluation

Spring Trip - In State 2023-2024

- Internationally - 2024-2025

April

Jazz Festivals

Leadership Auditions

Percussion Camps

Guard Camps

Middle School Auditions

Solo and Ensemble

May

Band Class Placement Auditions

Band Banquet

Color Guard Auditions

Percussion Auditions

Spring Concert

Graduation

Mini Band Camp

And Now....



Your 2023-2024 Field Production

2023



CHURCHILL DOWNS



CHURCHILL HIGH SCHOOL

YOUR Things To Do List

- Join The Band App Parent or Student class
- Create your Cut Time [Account](#)
- Turn In Your First Band Fee Installment on April 10th to the Band Box
- Auditions May 1st - 4th (BMS-1ns, IKE - 2nd, JMS-3rd, Make Ups-4th)
- Mini Band Camp and Registration Night
- Contact a director for any questions



We are going to relentlessly chase perfection, knowing full well we will not catch it, because nothing is perfect. But we are going to relentlessly chase it because in the process we will catch excellence. We are not remotely interested in just being good.

Welcome to the Churchill Charger Band Family!

