

2026 Millbrook High School Marching Band



Tonight's Schedule

- **6:00pm-6:15pm:** Informational Session with Mrs. Shelton & the 2025 Section Leaders
- **6:15pm-6:25pm:** Show Reveal! We'll reveal the theme and listen to some of the source material for next year's show!
- **6:30pm-6:45pm:** Breakout sessions
 - Parents stay in the cafeteria for information from our booster board. Students will head to the auditorium for some icebreakers.
- **6:45pm:** Wrap Up and Questions

The Rest of the Evening

- Parents will stay with our booster board for the Marching Parent Presentation
- Students will head to the auditorium and break into the following groups for Icebreakers (Simon Says, Bang, Two Truths and a Lie, Count Up):
 - **Group One:** Woodwinds
 - **Group Two:** High Brass
 - **Group Three:** Low Brass
 - **Group Four:** Guard and Percussion:
- Everybody will be back together for the last ten minutes for questions



What is Marching Band?

Meet People & Make Friends

- Tonight
 - Leave knowing at least three new people
- Band Camp
- Competitions
- Parades



Get to Know the Campus

- No set practice spot
 - Not like a football or soccer team
- Activities
 - Team-building exercises with sections
- On campus two weeks before school starts



Physical and Fun

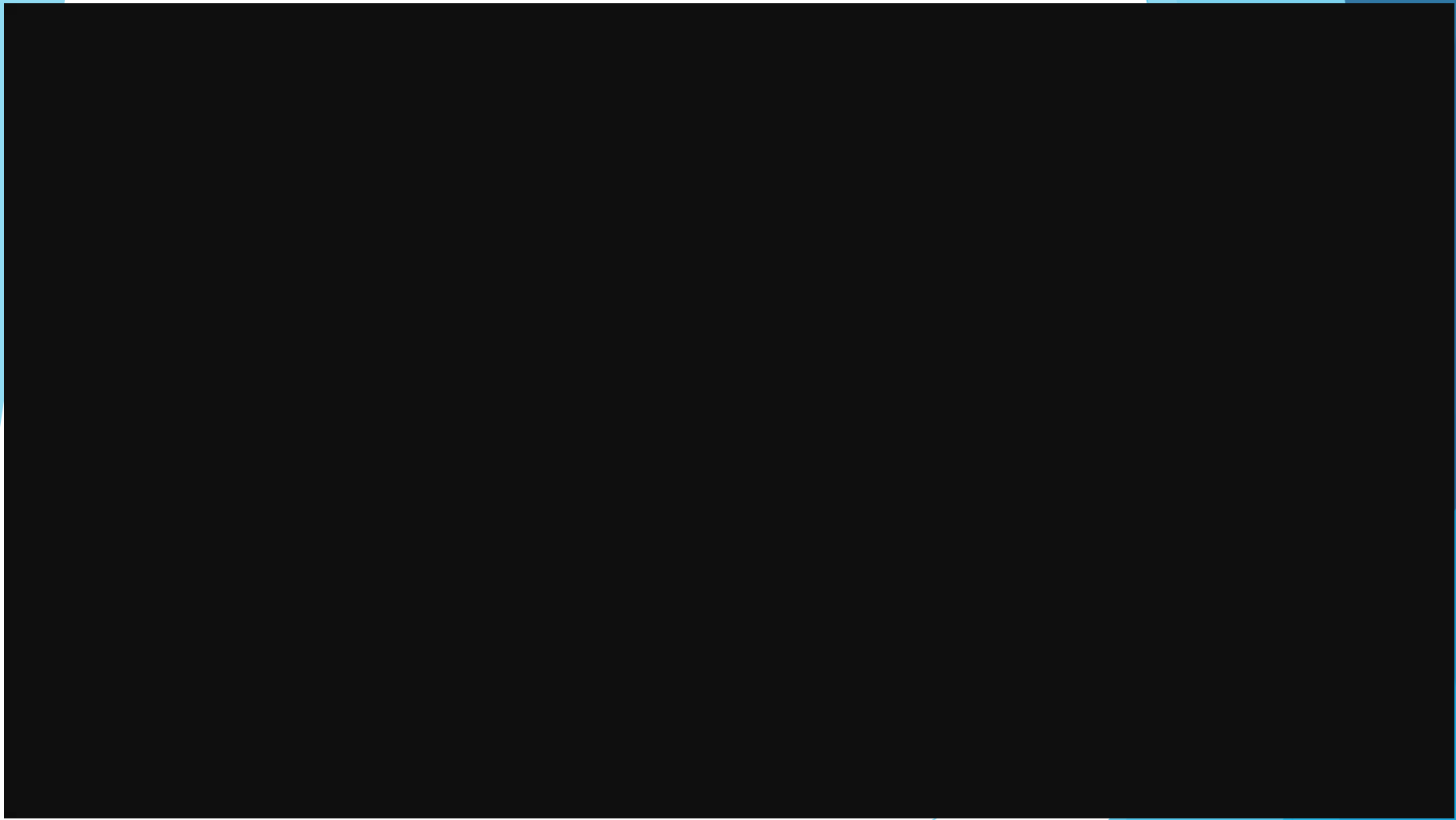
- Will not be a screenager
 - Physical activity
- In the great outdoors!
- Helps with Phys Ed



Prepares You For the Future

- Commitment
 - Especially the longer you stay
- Time management
- Communication & Teamwork
- Proactivity
- Self Care





2026 Marching Band Reveal Night

04/16/2026

Fall Schedule (At a Glance)

- ▶ Fall/School Rehearsal Dates (Aug-Oct)
 - ▶ Mondays & Thur -3:00-6:30pm, including teacher work days
 - ▶ Wednesdays 3:00-6:30pm, **Only if Monday was a holiday**
- ▶ Home Football Games: Fridays 5:00-10:30pm
 - ▶ Season runs Aug-end Oct depending on the team (4-6 games)
 - ▶ Battle of the Brooks (will replace a Thursday practice day)
 - ▶ Playoff Games as needed
- ▶ Competitions: (October – early November)
Saturdays (all day) - Plan for full day events
- ▶ Raleigh Christmas Parade: Sat, Nov, 21, 2026



Get Involved! We Need You!

Lead a Role (Committee Chairs Needed)

- Hospitality
- Fundraising
- Audit
- Nominating
- Sponsorship

Jump in (Flexible Ways to Help)

- Events & Students
 - Senior Night/Banquet
 - Alumni & Middle School Night
- Behind the Scenes
 - Pit Crew
 - Props
- Support & Fundraising
 - Conductor's Circle
 - GiveButter
 - Spirit Nights
 - Social Media



Interested? Email marchingband@millbrookbands.org
Volunteer sign-ups will be shared throughout the season

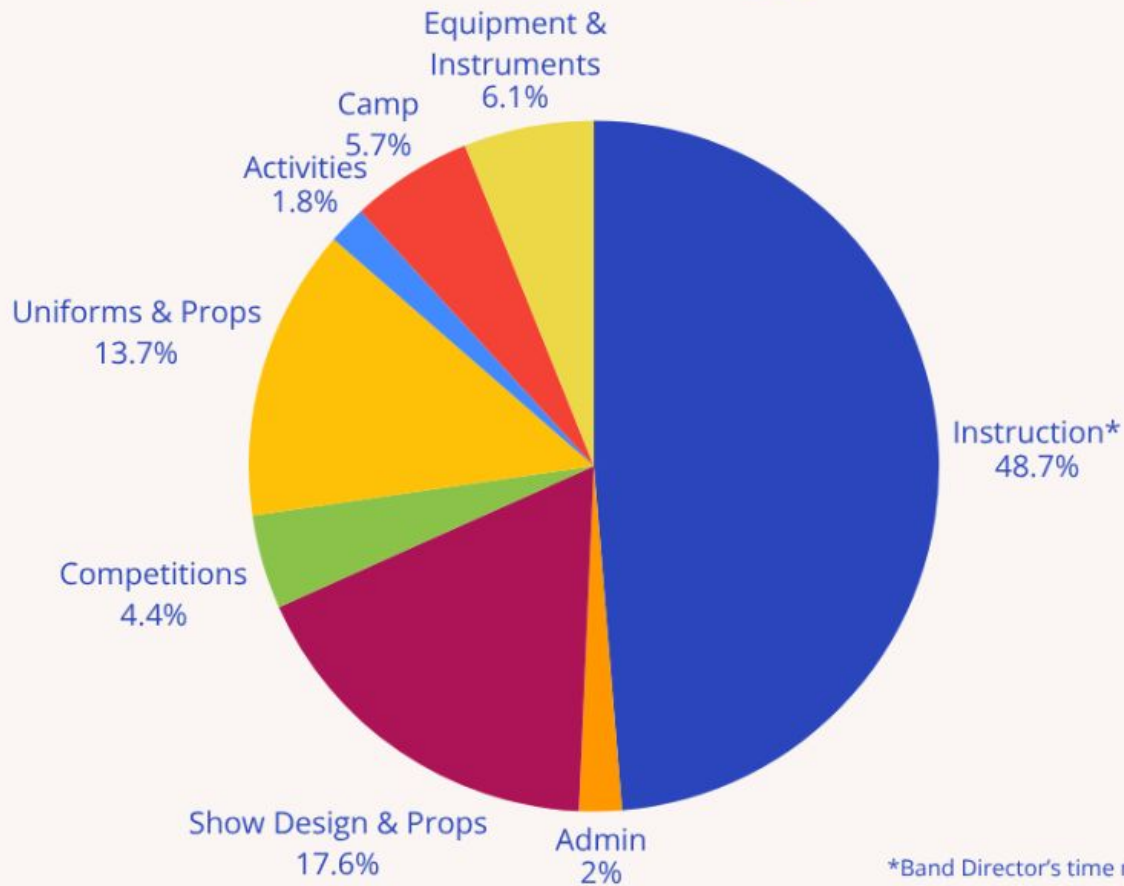
Fundraising Opportunities

- ▶ These are the key ways we fund and support our band program throughout the year:
 - ▶ GiveButter (direct donations)
 - ▶ Spirit Nights (dine out & give back)
 - ▶ Sponsorships (community partnerships)
 - ▶ Bandstand Concessions (game day sales)
 - ▶ Walnut Creek (event based fundraising)



MARCHING BAND STUDENT FEES

Where does your money go?



*Band Director's time not included.

What is Fair Share?

- ▶ Fair Share = Cost Per Student
 - ▶ Total program cost ÷ number of students
 - ▶ Covers: Instruction, uniforms, travel, music & supplies, transportation
 - ▶ Fair Share Earnings: Event earnings are applied directly to your students CutTime account to reduce your balance
- ▶ Examples of Fair Share Earnings opportunities:
 - ▶ Walnut Creek - Volunteer to work concerts throughout the year
 - ▶ Bandstand - Help sell concessions at many of the games and events

Payment Schedule

Payment	Due Date	Amount
Deposit	May 21, 2026	\$275
Payment #2	July 1, 2026	\$250
Payment #3	August 1, 2026	\$250
Final Payment	Sept 1, 2026	\$250
Total Program Cost		\$1025

- ▶ If a student has funds available in their CutTime account, they will be automatically applied to their Marching Band fees, no need to email a request.
- ▶ **Marcher requested refunds** will only be honored until the **Initial Deposit Due Date**. After this date, no refunds will be issued, as we will have already committed to drill and design fees, which must be covered.
- ▶ Refunds may be issued if the season ends prematurely.

CutTime and Payments

- ▶ **CutTime = Your Band Account**

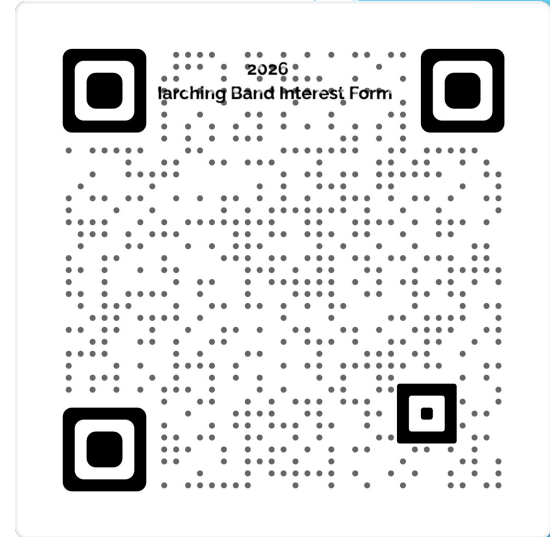
- ▶ View balance
- ▶ Make payments
- ▶ Sign forms

- ▶ How to Pay

- ▶ Debit / Credit card (via CutTime)
- ▶ Check, payable to Millbrook Band Boosters (Band Room box)
- ▶ Additional option - Share costs with friends & family (via CutTime link)

Complete 3 Step Registration **By May 21, 2026**

1. **Submit Registration:** See QR Code
2. **Sign Forms:** Once your registration is received, you will be sent the following forms through your student's CutTime account. You must log into CutTime and electronically sign the following:
 - ▶ Marching Band Financial Agreement
 - ▶ Marching Band Contract
 - ▶ Media Consent
 - ▶ Uniform Contract



3. **Submit Initial Deposit: \$275**

New Students: Shortly after the registration form is submitted, parents will receive a link to activate your student's CutTime account. If you have more than one student, each will have their own CutTime account. You **must** activate your CutTime account to complete Marching Band Registration.

Fees, Eligibility & Financial Information

- ▶ **Payment Requirement:** All outstanding Millbrook Band fees in CutTime must be paid prior to registration
- ▶ **Past Due Balances:** Students with unpaid balances who are not on an approved payment plan will be **ineligible to participate** until accounts are current.
- ▶ **Financial Assistance is available.** Available for qualifying families. Requests must be submitted by **May 6**. Scholarship applications are available at <http://www.millbrookbands.org>

Help Keep Band Accessible for Every Student

Own a Business or now someone who does?

Sponsorships help offset costs for students and support our program!

Does your employer offer Corporate Matching?

Many companies will match your donations-doubling your impact!

Every dollar helps us provide opportunities fo our students.

Interested? Contact us to learn more about sponsorship opportunities

How to Support Your Student Before Camp



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▶ Get Them Ready

- ▶ Get used to the heat & sun
- ▶ Stay hydrated throughout the day
- ▶ Practice their instrument daily

▶ What To Bring

- ▶ Supportive athletic shoes (break them in ahead of camp)
- ▶ White shirts, khaki shorts, black socks
- ▶ Athletic wear
- ▶ Hat/cap
- ▶ Sunscreen & deodorant

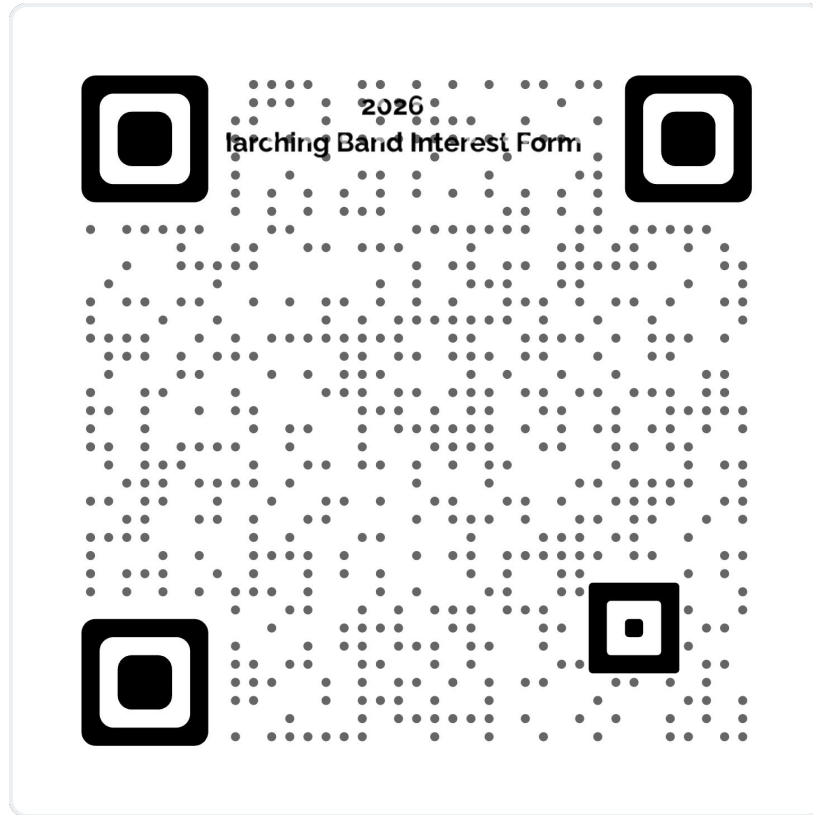


Required Dates - Band Camp ***Subject to change**

	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Summer Band Camp	July 27-July 29 July 30-July 31	8:00 AM- 12 noon 8:00 AM - 12 noon	Leadership New Marchers Rookie Camp, Percussion and Color Guard Camp
	Aug 3	7:30 PM- 8:00 PM	Marching Parent Meet & Greet
	Aug 3-4	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM	Band Camp (All)
	Aug 5 (Senior Kick-off)	Noon - 8:00 PM	Band Camp (All)
	Aug 6 (Cats Camp)	Noon - 8:00 PM	Band Camp (All)
	Aug 7	8:00 AM- 5:00 PM	Band Camp (All)
	Aug 10-13 Aug 14	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM	Band Camp (All) Band Camp (All)
	Aug 14	5:00 PM	End of Camp Celebration
Practice Dates	Aug 17, 20 (M, Th)	4:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Extended Practice
	Aug 24, 27 (M, Th)	3:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Regular Practices
Football Game	Aug 28	4:30 PM - 9:00 PM	First Home Football Game Performance

If you are early, you are on time! If you are on time, you are late!

Register by May 21 - Scan Now!



Open your camera and scan to get started tonight.
Link also available at millbrookbands.org

Key Dates & Requirements

▶ **Rookie Camp**

- ▶ July 30 & 31, 8:00am - 12:00pm
- ▶ *This camp is for **all** new marchers, percussion and color guard*

▶ **Leadership (Returning Students)**

- ▶ Interviews: May 1st (Sign up on Google Sheets)
- ▶ Must complete one program-improvement project along with application
- ▶ Drum Major Candidates Conducting Wind Ensemble
- ▶ Results announced Friday, May 22, 8p, via CutTime

▶ **Auditions**

- ▶ Percussion (Drumline and Pit)
 - ▶ 3 DAYS! April 27-29 4:00p-6:00p
- ▶ Color Guard Auditions
 - ▶ 3 DAYS! April 27-29 4:00p-6:30p

Make sure you are registered for a band class! (Required for membership, except for color guard)

Check Out Our Social Media!



@millbrookbands. (boosters)



mhsbands



@mhsbands1923. (student)



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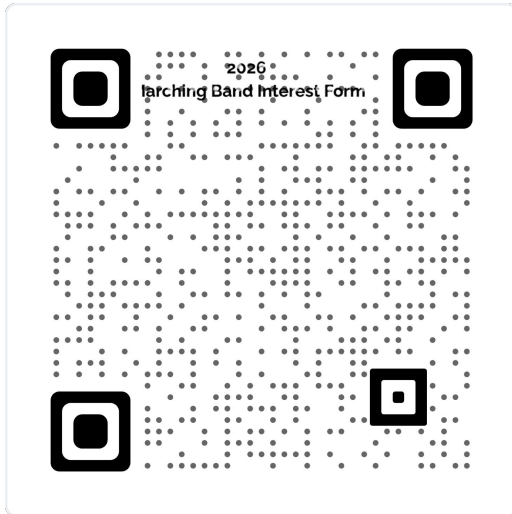
Next Steps & Questions

▶ Register by May 21

Complete online forms

(Fair Share & Marching Band
Contracts, Uniform & Media
Consent)

Submit **\$275 deposit** (CutTime)



▶ Questions?

▶ Marching Band Coordinator:
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www.millbrookbands.org