Fraser High School Band Program Information

8th Grade Orientation 2019

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**Classes that are part of the daily schedule as listed in the Program of Study:**

* **Varsity Band**—9th grade only, no audition; participation in Marching Band is voluntary, but **highly recommended!**
* **Concert Band**—10th-12th grade, no audition; **required** to participate in Marching Band
* **Jazz Band**—9th-12th grade, *acceptance by audition only*; saxophones, trumpets, trombones, guitar, piano, bass guitar, drums.
* **Jazz Band auditions are scheduled for Wednesday, April 10, and Thursday, April 11, 2019.**
* **Symphony Band**—9th–12th grade, *acceptance by audition only*; **required** to participate in Marching Band
* **Symphony Band auditions are scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, and Thursday, April 18, 2019.**

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| **Marching Band—*is not a scheduled class during the school day;*** comprised of members from Varsity, Concert, and Symphony bands, 9th through 12th grades. \*\*\* 9th grade Commitment Forms will be due April 18, 2019. \*\*\*Summer dates are as follows: * Pre-camp: Fraser High School from July 23 – 25, 9 am – 4 pm.
* Away Band Camp: Michigan Christian Youth Camp in Attica from Monday, July 29, to Friday, August 2, 2019. The cost of away camp is **$250.00 per student**.
* Mini-camp: Fraser High School, Tuesday, August 6, 9 am – 4 pm
* Wednesday night rehearsals on August 7, 14, 21, 28 from 5 – 9 pm
* First home game is usually the last week of August (TBD).
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* Sign-up sheets will be posted for audition times.

***Color guard clinic days will be MARCH 18 & 19, and the auditions will be Wednesday, MARCH 20 (first round) and Thursday, MARCH 21 (second round), 2019. Clinics all begin at 6:30 pm in the aux gym at FHS. Drum line*** auditions will be held at the beginning of May 2019 (TBD) for the fall season. Once accepted into these groups, practices will begin at the end of June/early July, and continue throughout the summer.

Once school begins in September, the Marching band will meet for practice on Wednesday evenings from 5 to 8 p.m. **AND** will include sectionals during one SMART period per week. The marching band performs for all home football games, various local parades, pep assemblies, as well as two marching competitions.

# Marching band is a graded portion of the fall semester.

**Stay informed: FHS Band Booster group email:** fraserbandboosters@gmail.com