



The Arlington High School Band

Arlington High School
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Dear AHS Band Parents and Students:

The time has come to make plans for the 2026-2027 Marching and Concert band seasons. Please take time to review the summer schedule and all other information on our website. This schedule is very important. Remember that all doctor appointments, work schedules, senior pictures, Driver's Ed training, college visits, and other conflicts must be worked out to avoid conflicts with our band schedules. All summer rehearsals will take place at Arlington High School. Staff and chaperones will assist in the operation of our summer activities.

If you need to use a school instrument, you must complete the instrument checkout form and submitted with the stated usage fee. When the form has been submitted, an instrument(s) will be assigned at camp. All instruments are in working order when assigned to the student for use. Students are responsible for the upkeep of instruments while in their possession. Instruments can be picked up at New Member Camp. Please arrive 30 minutes early if you will need to rent a school instrument.

It is vital that we have a health form on file for each student. A health form can be found on the website. Make certain this form is filled out completely (including all insurance information.) These health forms are due no later than the first day of Band Camp (July 13, 2026). Students will not be able to participate without a completed form on file.

Also, on the website is the contract and student conduct agreement, which must be completed by the parent/guardian and student. Remember, the health form for all students is due no later than Monday, **July 13, 2026**. These forms must be turned in on time to participate in the AHS Band. The last day to send money before the break is May 20th. No money will be collected during June. Place all payments in an envelope, marked with student's name and purpose of payment. This envelope should be deposited in the locked white box located in the AHS Band Room. Please do not send/leave checks at the AHS Main Office.

Band Camp is scheduled for Monday, July 13 - Tuesday, July 28 at Arlington High School. Each student will be responsible for either bringing lunch to school or going out for their meal. *All students must leave campus for dinner.* Parents should make arrangements for students to carpool with others if they cannot provide a ride. If a student is planning to leave campus for meals, the form must be completed by a parent/guardian giving permission for the student to leave campus. If the form is not completed, the student will not leave campus for lunch.

All students are required to have tennis shoes (worn with socks) for rehearsals (low-top recommended for easier flexing of the foot). We recommend students not wear brand new shoes as the grass may be wet in the morning. No sandals, crocs, or flip-flops will be allowed. Outside rehearsals will get hot! We will provide water and Gatorade during outside rehearsals, but students must have their filled water bottles that they will be given at the beginning of camp. Students should start hydrating and eating healthy meals before band camp to prepare your body for the heat and exercise. All students should take steps to protect themselves from the sun – use a high SPF sunscreen that is water/sweatproof.

Each section may require additional items:

- **Percussion** – brimmed hat (to shade the face/ears/neck, required sticks/mallets, music, pencil, instrument (provided by school)
- **Woodwinds** – brimmed hat, at least four playable reeds, music, flip folder, pencil, instrument, and instrument care supplies (cork grease, swab, etc.)
- **Brass** – hat, valve oil, music, flip folder, pencil, instrument care supplies, and instrument
- **Guard** – hat/head covering, pencil

All new and returning students should be aware of our pick-up and drop-off procedures for all rehearsals, performances, and activities at Arlington High School. All students must be picked up and dropped off in the student parking lot. Students may not be picked up or dropped off along any part of the street on school property. Please understand that this is a school policy implemented to keep our students safe. If this policy is ignored by whoever is picking up or dropping off your child, we will be forced to remove your child from participating in upcoming performances. Please work with us to keep our students safe during pickup and drop off times, including meal breaks.

If you should need to contact us, we can be reached via email at timothy.simpson@acsk-12.org or samuel.schirmer@acsk-12.org. We are looking forward to a great year and many successes for the AHS Band!

Sincerely,
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