



Worthington Hooker School

Concert Band Flyer



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am delighted to welcome you and your students to the 2026-2027 concert band at Worthington Hooker School! It is with great pride that I look forward to another exciting year of music-making together. Below you will find some important information about the start of our concert band program. More details will be provided later in our band contract.

Our concert band activities are divided into two main components: grade-level pull-outs during the school day and morning rehearsals. Morning rehearsals will take place **every Tuesday and Thursday from 7:20 AM to 8:20 AM**, starting on **Tuesday, September 15th**. Students should arrive between 7:15 AM and 7:20 AM and enter through the far doors near the auditorium and cafeteria. If a student arrives after 7:20 AM, a parent will need to contact me, so I can send a student down. Punctuality is crucial to ensure that we can start our rehearsals on time. Grade-level pull-outs will begin next week during the students' WIN period.

To ensure steady progress in their instrumental studies, your child will need to practice at least four times a week for twenty minutes per session. Regular practice will help them build the stamina, dexterity, and confidence needed for success. **Attendance and participation in all rehearsals and performances are mandatory**. Please make sure your child brings their instrument, music, and a pencil to every rehearsal. Instrument rentals will be \$50.00.

Our winter concert will be Thursday December 17th at 5:30pm and our spring concert will be Thursday May 27th at 5:30pm. Call time for both events will be 5:00pm and I will share more details regarding the concerts in the months to come.

Additionally, I want to remind you that all concert band students with at least one year of experience on their primary instrument are eligible to audition for the Worthington Hooker Jazz Band. Jazz band rehearsals are held on Tuesdays after school from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM in the band room. Students must be picked up promptly at 4:00 PM, and parents or guardians will need to sign out their child on our sign-out form. If your child will be absent from a rehearsal, please notify me by email before 1:00 PM on the day of the rehearsal. **Our first meeting for jazz band will also be Tuesday September 15th**. Jazz band will be offered through our after school program this year, so there will be a small fee to join -more details to come!

I am truly excited to get the band wagon rolling and am grateful for your continued support of the Worthington Hooker School performing arts program. If you have any questions or need further details, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at frank.parker@new-haven.k12.ct.us.

Warm regards,
Mr. Frank Parker
Worthington Hooker School Director of Bands

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