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# *“The Trumpeter”*

The Newsletter of the W.T. Woodson Band Patrons

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## April Highlights

April 13	Band Rehearsal and Luggage Check-In	See Director's Notes
April 14-17	Nashville Trip	
April 21	Band Patron Meeting	7:30 pm
April 23	Solo and Ensemble Festival @ Twain MS	

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## President's Notes

Dear Patrons,

Congratulations to all the band students for their Superior ratings at Assessment! I know that all the students have worked hard to achieve this. I hope everyone was able to attend their student's performances at the Pre-Assessment concert and the Assessment.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped to make Assessment and the Pre-Assessment Concert run so smoothly. The Concert Uniform volunteers and the Chaperones helped to make these events successful.

The Band's Spring Trip is coming up April 14-17. Please pay close attention to all the information that follows in the Trumpeter regarding the Spring Trip. I am sure that your students will have a great time on the trip, will give an outstanding performance at the competition and will be great representatives for Woodson.

We have several Committee chairs whose band members will graduate this year and we want to identify their successors now in order to allow an easy transition. If you can lead or be part of a team that leads a committee, please let me know.

Please join us for the next Band Patrons meeting on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. We will meet at 7:30 in the Band room and we will discuss upcoming events including the Spring Concert and Solo and Ensemble Festival.

Thanks for everyone's support for the Band. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Jim McDonald

President

(703) 764-3279 home

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## Band Director's Notes

### Spring Trip to Nashville – See attached Itinerary!

#### Assessment News!

Both the Concert and Symphonic Bands received Superior ratings from all judges at the District Concert Band Assessment! Congratulations on great performances!

#### Virginia Honor Band for 2016 – Wonderful Job!

#### All-State Band

The following students will participate in the All-State Band and Orchestra at George Mason University April 7-9. Congratulations!

Aaron Freeman  
Sarah Hansler  
Ashlyn McDonald  
Austin Moran  
Anne Roth  
Claire Roth

Congratulations! We are very proud of you!

#### Solo and Ensemble 4/23 @ Twain Middle School

- **Reminders:** A student must have piano accompaniment for solos (or other works) that call for a piano part. A student will not receive a rating if they perform without the required piano accompaniment. A list of piano accompanists may be obtained through the Woodson Band office.
- Wear dressy casual clothing. No jeans, sneakers, shorts, flip flops, hats, etc. Remember that you are representing Woodson HS at this event.
- Two copies of the score are required. Judges should be given an **original copy**.
- Remember to number the measures in the judge's copy.
- Students will not receive the adjudicator's sheet or their rating at the time of the performance. Ratings will be posted in a central location shortly after the student's performance. Adjudicator's sheets will be forwarded to the student's director a few days following the event.

Performance times for Solo and Ensemble will soon be available at the following link:

[www.solofestival.com](http://www.solofestival.com) Click on "Schedules" on the homepage and select your school.

#### Spring Auditions:

Please note the change of process. This upcoming audition will serve as both a reseating for the Spring Concert as well as placement for 2016-2017 ensembles. Students auditioning for either Intermediate Band or Advanced Band will have a required prepared piece. Prepared pieces will be made available next week in the band room.

Scales will be performed in class for camera on April 26 and 27. Recordings of etudes will be due to [wtwbandtests@gmail.com](mailto:wtwbandtests@gmail.com) by 8:00am on April 28.

Percussion will be auditioned for Drumline/Pit placement in the spring only. Percussion Auditions for Band placement will be in the fall.

### **Marching Band Registration**

Hard to believe it is time to be thinking about next season! Marching Band Registrations will be due May 23, 2016. Registration forms will be available in mid/late April.

### **Marching Band Pre-Season**

No changes have been made to the dates below since initially announcing them in January, but keep them in mind as you continue to make summer plans.

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| Week 1, August 15-19     | <u>Percussion/Guard Members</u> : Mon-Fri, 8am-3pm<br><u>Student Leaders</u> : Monday Leadership Session, 8am-3pm<br><u>New Woodwind/Brass</u> : Tuesday Orientation, 8am-3pm<br><u>All Members</u> : Wed-Fri 8am-3pm |
| Week 2, August 22-26     | <u>All Members</u> : Mon-Fri, 8am-6pm   |
| Week 3, Aug. 29 – Sep. 2 | <u>All Members</u> : Mon-Fri, 3pm-9pm   |

### **Coming up (April, May & June):**

Please review the following rehearsals and events that will take us to the end of the school year!

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
Weds, April 13	CB Full Band (Also Nashville trip luggage check-in)	6:00-6:45
Weds, April 13	SB Full Band (Also Nashville trip luggage check-in)	7:00-7:45
Thurs-Sun, 4/14-4/17	Spring Trip to Nashville	See Itinerary
Sat, April 23	Solo and Ensemble Festival at Twain MS	
Tues, April 26	SB Scale Test	5th Period
Weds, April 27	CB Scale Test	6th Period
Thurs, April 28	Playing Test Etudes Due to wtwbandtests@gmail.com	8:00am
Weds, May 4	Full Orchestra (selected members)	5th Return
Weds, May 4	Senior Recital Auditions	3:30-?
Tues, May 17	SB Full Band	3:30-5:00
Weds, May 18	Jazz Band Concert	7:30pm
Thurs, May 19	CB Full Band	3:30-4:45
Thurs, May 19	SB Full Band	5:30-7:00
Fri, May 20	CB Full Band	4th Return
Sun, May 22	Senior Recital - Lord of Life Lutheran Church	3:00pm
Mon, May 23	Marching Band Forms/Fees Due	
Tues, May 24	CB Full Band	3:30-4:45

Tues, May 24	SB Full Band	5:30-7:00
Weds, May 25	Band Spring Concert	7:30pm
Thurs, May 26	Full Orchestra (selected members)	5th Return
Thurs, May 26	Band Spring Awards Banquet	6:30pm
Thurs, June 2	Full Orchestra (selected members)	3:30-5:00
Mon, June 6	Full Orchestra (selected members)	3:30-5:00
Weds, June 8	Full Orchestra (selected members)	5th Return
Weds, June 8	Orchestra Concert (selected members)	7:30pm
Thurs, June 9	New Member Marching Band Orientation	7:30pm
Thurs, June 16	Frost Spring Band Concert at WTW	7:00pm
Sat, June 18	Graduation (2016-2017 SB Members)	Itinerary TBA
Tues, June 21	Parade Practice	7-8pm
Thurs, June 23	Parade Practice	7-8pm
Tues, June 28	Parade Practice	7-8pm
Thurs, June 30	Parade Practice	7-8pm
Mon, July 4	Parade	Itinerary TBA

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## Concert Uniforms

### IMPORTANT CONCERT UNIFORM TRIP INFORMATION

**\*\*\* PLEASE BRING UNIFORMS TO THE BAND ROOM BEGINNING MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016. ALL UNIFORMS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2016. \*\*\***

Please wash dresses, if needed. All tuxedo shirts should be clean and pressed. All parts of your uniform should be in your uniform bag and placed in alphabetical order on racks in the band room. Please check that you have everything in your bag. Parent volunteers will check every bag and students missing items will be notified! Please contact Lori Roth at [rothplace@gmail.com](mailto:rothplace@gmail.com) ASAP with any concerns.

**GIRLS.** Reminder: No sports bras with concert dresses. Please make sure your uniform bag contains:

Concert Dress

Pearls

Polished black concert shoes (in back zipper pocket)

Black trouser socks (in back zipper pocket)

Spandex shorts (optional, but may be placed in uniform bag)

**BOYS.** Please make sure your uniform bag contains:

Tuxedo Jacket and Pants

Tuxedo shirt

Plain white t-shirt

Cummerbund and Tie

Black socks

Polish black band shoes

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## First Aid Information for the Tennessee Trip

### Medication Information – Spring Trip to Nashville

Medication turn-in will be held concurrent with the luggage turn-in. Please use the following information as a guideline to facilitate medication turn-in.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. All medication (prescription and OTC) unless specified as ‘Self Carry’ by a doctor must be turned into the First Aid table by a parent or responsible adult. Medication will NOT be accepted from students.
2. All medication must be submitted in its original bottle.
3. Turn in only the exact number of pills, tablets, etc. that your student will require on the trip. This will allow me to give the empty bottle back to your student after the last dose is given.
4. In the event a student doesn’t use all his medication, a parent or responsible adult is required to pick up left over medicine in the band room immediately after arrival back from Nashville.
5. Please place all bottles, inhalers, etc. in a new Ziploc bag labeled with your student’s name.
6. If your student uses and inhaler, please be sure there are enough doses left to last the trip.
7. If your student requires an EpiPen, please make sure it is not expired. EpiPens tend to have a short shelf life.

#### PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS

Thank you to all the parents who have already provided medication authorization forms. You have helped me immensely in preparing for the trip.

**Inhalers** – Every student who brings an inhaler on the trip must have an Inhaler Authorization Form [www.fcps.edu/it/forms/se65.pdf](http://www.fcps.edu/it/forms/se65.pdf) on file with the band. Even if your student self-carries an inhaler (as most high school students do), the band needs a copy of the authorization. Parents can either have their physician complete a new authorization form or obtain a copy of the authorization from the Woodson Health Clinic. Inhalers need to be stored in the original prescription box provided by the pharmacy with the correct pharmacy directions label attached.

**Epinephrine Pens** – Students requiring an EpiPen must submit an Epinephrine Authorization Form [www.fcps.edu/it/forms/se64.pdf](http://www.fcps.edu/it/forms/se64.pdf) to the band prior to the trip. Parents can either have their physician complete a new authorization form or obtain a copy of the authorization from the Woodson Health Clinic. Students will need to provide their own EpiPens on the trip. **No Stock Epinephrine Will Be Brought On The Trip.** EipPens need to be stored in the original prescription box provided by the pharmacy with the correct dosing label attached.

**Other Prescription Medicines** – A Medication Authorization Form [www.fcps.edu/it/forms/se63.pdf](http://www.fcps.edu/it/forms/se63.pdf) completed by a licensed health care provider, must accompany all prescription medicine. Prescription medicine needs to be in its original container with the pharmacy label attached.

**ALLERGY MEDICATIONS**

The spring trip tends to coincide with the height of the allergy season. Once again the band will provide the generic forms of the most popular OTC allergy pills.

- 1. Loratadine 10mg. (Claritin equivalent)
- 2. Cetirizine 10mg. (Zyrtec equivalent)
- 3. Fexofenadine HCL 180mg. (Allegra equivalent)

In order for your student to receive any of these OTC allergy medicines, you will need to add it to his/her current OTC medicine form. I will make the OTC form available to you at medication turn in.

**QUESTIONS?**

Please contact Jean Boyle at 703-539-8607 or [jeanboyle188@hotmail.com](mailto:jeanboyle188@hotmail.com)

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## Nashville Departure Day Assistance

Dear Parents, We are in need of some help on our Nashville departure day. If you are dropping off your student and can stay for a few minutes we need several people to check backpacks. You will have the great joy of waving goodbye as we head out of the parking lot. (I will bring tissues for those who will be teary eyed at our departure!) Please email Tammy Freeman at [wtwbandchaperones@gmail.com](mailto:wtwbandchaperones@gmail.com) if you can join us that morning.

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## Car Donations Information

Do you have a car that you're not using and it's just taking up space on your property? Do something great for our band and Start your spring cleaning with outside! We can arrange to take it off your hands just by making a phone call to me! Thanks for your support of W.T. Woodson Cavaliers Band!

Contact Debbi Buchanan at [703-307-7324](tel:703-307-7324) if you have questions or cars to donate.

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## Scrip!

# Purchase “Scrip” GIFT CARDS during the school year to support W. T. Woodson Bands!

### What is “scrip” and how does it help Woodson Bands?

“Scrip” is, essentially, gift cards. You can purchase cards for your favorite stores, restaurants, and service providers – where you shop every day – and the Band Patrons receive a percent (ranging from 1% to as high as 18% or more) of your card purchase as income to offset expenses. *There is no additional cost to you, and you get the full value of your gift card.* Buy them for your ongoing, regular purchases, or keep some on hand for birthday or thank you gifts.



### Great Lakes Scrip (Hundreds of cards available including: Shopper's Food, Safeway and Giant!)

Available at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)

Register a new account (use our enrollment code, 787DC8EF2145) or log in to order.

You can set up a PrestoPay™ account to pay for your order online, or pay by check when you receive your cards.

Orders will be processed after 8am on Tuesday, April 12th and will be available later in the month from the scrip coordinator.

**Make checks payable to  
“WTW Band Patrons”**

Questions??  
Contact Anne Reed  
[annemreed92@gmail.com](mailto:annemreed92@gmail.com)



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## Committee Chairs

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Equipment	Sean Flynn	<a href="mailto:s.g.flynn@aol.com">s.g.flynn@aol.com</a>
First Aid	Jean Boyle	<a href="mailto:jeanboyle188@hotmail.com">jeanboyle188@hotmail.com</a>
*Fruit Sales	Heather Davies	<a href="mailto:daviesva@gmail.com">daviesva@gmail.com</a>
Great Lakes Scrip	Anne Reed	<a href="mailto:annemreed92@gmail.com">annemreed92@gmail.com</a>
Hospitality	Debbie Rooney	<a href="mailto:debrooney@hotmail.com">debrooney@hotmail.com</a>
Marching Uniforms	Chrissy Rabayda and Izumi Fothergill	<a href="mailto:rabayda@verizon.net">rabayda@verizon.net</a> <a href="mailto:ifothergill@hotmail.com">ifothergill@hotmail.com</a>
*PTSO Rep	TBD looking for a new chair	TBD
Publicity	Sharon Larson	<a href="mailto:Sharon.larson60@yahoo.com">Sharon.larson60@yahoo.com</a> <a href="mailto:sharon.a.larson.civ@mail.mil">sharon.a.larson.civ@mail.mil</a>
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