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UNIVERSITY BAND



Some thoughts from Mr. Brown

After a hiatus of two years, the University Classic came back in a big way! We hosted over 1,900 students from 17 different schools, plus their directors, staff, chaperones, and spectators. Thank you to all the volunteers who made the event possible. We had to park over 50 buses, 20 trucks and three semi trailers, administer close to two thousand wristbands, and our concession stand is running better than ever before thanks to a slew of new equipment and the hard work of our parents. Between the Colonial game on Friday and the Classic, we raised over **$25,000** for our band program. Amazing! Best of all, our own band had a great performance, earning the awards for Best Percussion and Best Visual and taking first place in Class 5A.

I don' t know about you, but after all that, I definitely needed this past weekend free of band-related activities, and I hope everyone else enjoyed a well-earned respite before we amp things back up for the last two weeks of the marching band season.

Coming up next, we have a modified rehearsal schedule for the next two weeks as we get ready for FBA Marching MPA at Boone HS and the FFCC State Championships in The Villages. On top of that, for the first time in over a decade, the Cougars have added some football playoff games on our schedule as well! Please read on for details.



Upcoming Events

Tuesday, November 3
Rehearsal 3-8 PM

Thursday, November 5
Rehearsal 3-8 PM

Saturday, November 7
FBA Marching MPA

Tuesday, November 10
Band Photo Day
Rehearsal 3-8 PM

Wednesday, November 11
Rehearsal 3-8 PM

Thursday, November 12
Football Playoff Game

Friday, November 13
Pep Rally (Periods 6-7)
Rehearsal 3-7 PM
Send-Off Show 7 PM

Saturday, November 14
FFCC Championships

Rehearsal Schedule

Final Two Weeks of Marching Season

Tuesday, November 3
Rehearsal | 3 - 8 PM

Thursday, November 5
Rehearsal | 3 - 8 PM

Saturday, November 7
FBA Marching MPA
See schedule on page 3 for details.

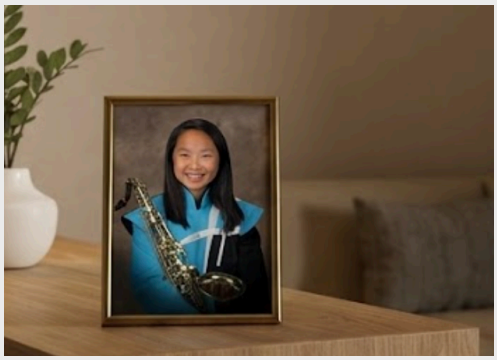
Tuesday, November 10
Rehearsal | 3 - 8 PM

Wednesday, November 11
Rehearsal | 2 - 7 PM

Thursday, November 12
Football Playoff Home Game (tentative)

Friday, November 13
Rehearsal | 3 - 7 PM
Send-Off Performance | 3 - 7 PM

Saturday, November 14
FFCC State Championships
See schedule on page 3 for details.



Band Photo Day

Tuesday, November 10

Formal band portraits will be taken during class from Periods 3 - 7 (including lunches) on Tuesday, November 10. Be sure to come with presentable and with everything you need to take a photo in uniform!

Domino's Fundraiser

Two Days Left!

It is not too late to make some free money with our Domino's fundraiser! We are selling a special discount card that offers two-for-one large pizzas from Domino's. The price is $20, which means it pays for itself after two uses. This is a very easy campaign where students simply create a profile and get the word out through email, text, or social media. Half your earnings will be added to your band account.

UHS Band Vision

The University Band is a comprehensive musical arts program that develops students as musicians, performers, and leaders. We believe in the importance of each student's personal dedication to excellence in every endeavor, in the concert hall, on the performance field, and in the classroom. Our members strive to put in the time, effort, and energy to achieve greatness in whatever we do.

FBA Marching MPA

Saturday, November 7, 2026

11:00 AM | Band Directors on Site
12:00 PM | Report Time (@ Boone HS)
1:40 PM | Warm Up
2:10 PM | Move to Field
2:20 PM | Performance
2:45 PM | You'll Never Walk Alone / Load Truck
4:00 PM | Dismissal
4:30 PM | Leadership, Operations, Percussion report to University HS to unload truck



Play-Offs & Send Offs

We do not yet have all the details about football play-offs, but here's what we are expecting right now:

November 12 | Home Game
Our regular rehearsal will most likely be replaced by a home game this day.

November 19 | Away Game
If the football team wins on 11/12, we will most likely have an away game on 11/19. This would be a pep band if we do attend.

Depending on how the team does, the potential exists for additional games on November 27 and December 3 or 4. We will keep you appraised of any and all developments as we are made aware.

FFCC Championships

Saturday, November 14, 2026

6:00 AM | Report Time
8:00 AM | Arrive @ The Villages Charter High School
We will be taking charter buses to FFCC Championships. A $20 travel fee will be assessed.
12:15 PM | Prelims Performance
4:25 PM | Prelims Awards Ceremony
6:30 PM | Finals Begins
11:00 PM | Finals Awards Ceremony

Sunday, November 15, 2026

12:00 Midnight | Depart The Villages
1:30 AM (approximate) | Arrive @ University High School
We will not need to unload the truck. Please go home!