



# WEST DEPTFORD MARCHING BAND

WEST DEPTFORD HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT

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Welcome and Information for New Members

**Marching Band:** an ensemble of musicians that march in time to the music for entertainment at events and in parades, often with brass, wind, and percussion instruments, drum majors and color guard.

## WELCOME TO THE WDHS BAND FAMILY!

Welcome to our musical family! Being part of the WDMB will be one of the best decisions you have ever made. The marching band offers you so many opportunities to be the best you can be. Together we can achieve great things and have a great time while doing them.

Being part of a musical family is unique. Our members will spend not just hours, but years working together building strong bonds with many other students who share your same interests and values.

Your new musical family will be one of your greatest resources. Your new friends will be able to share all of their experiences with you. They

most likely have had the same teachers you will have, done the same projects, and will be able to help you find your way when you need a hand. Very often band members work together to complete projects and study for tests.

Your circle of friends has just expanded in a very big way. Jump in, say hello and realize that you are now a BIG part of our musical family.

You are an important member of our band. You are part of what makes this band the best group to be in at WDHS. Get ready to shine. It's time to make great memories with a great group of very special performers. Welcome home and enjoy!



10x (2010-2017, 2019, 2021) Tournament of Bands Atlantic Coast Champions!

## Where can I find band info?



Marching band information including schedules and announcements can be found on

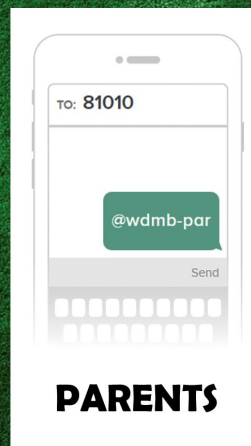
our web site: [www.wdhsmusic.org](http://www.wdhsmusic.org)



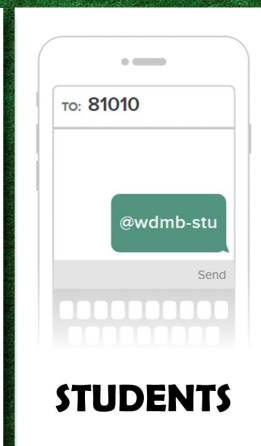
Many announcements and reminders are also posted on our Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/WDHSMB](http://www.facebook.com/WDHSMB)

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## Basic Rehearsal Needs...

To ensure optimal success at rehearsals, students should have the following for each West Deptford Marching Band rehearsal:

1. Comfortable Clothing; Remember you are going to be moving around for the majority of every rehearsal, come dressed to do so. Gym shorts and t-shirts are great for summer rehearsal. Marching Band is not a fashion event; comfort takes precedence over style.
2. Sneakers AND socks must be worn at all times during rehearsal. Flip-flops have no place at rehearsals.
3. Water jug with water. 1/2 or 1 gallon jugs are great, it is VERY important that you have enough water to make it through every rehearsal and stay hydrated.

4. 3 ring, 1/2 inch binder with sheet protectors. You will keep all of your music in these binders to make sure it does not get destroyed and doesn't blow away in the wind.
5. Pencil. You will be given A LOT of information and corrections throughout the year, it is important to write it down so that you remember the details.
6. Instrument AND accessories. Spare reeds, valve oil, screw drivers, etc.
7. *A Great/Positive Attitude!!!*

