



**LEANDER BAND 2024-2025
NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION**

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 - Booster/Volunteer questions
 - Registration



ANNOUNCEMENT

BAND SOCIAL and SHOW REVEAL

- **Saturday, April 27 – 4:30-7:00pm**
 - **SOCIAL – 4:30-5:30pm**
 - Ice Skating Rink
 - Crossover
 - No Charge to Skate
 - Food is not included
 - Skates are included
 - **SHOW REVEAL – 6:00 – 7:30pm**
 - Turf Field, at the Crossover
 - Reserved for the LHS Band
 - **Parents are welcome** to join us for the Reveal. There will be plenty of space!



PEOPLE FIRST, BAND SECOND

Culture

- Safe, Inclusive, Fun, and Respectful Environment
- Life Skills
 - Responsibility, Organization, Goal achievement, Punctuality, Conflict resolution, Leadership, etc.....
- High Expectation
 - The Pursuit of Perfection
 - Learn how to handle pressure and disappointment
 - Understanding that happiness isn't on the other side of success
 - Trust the process and enjoy the journey



BAND OVERVIEW, BY SEMESTER

Fall Semester

- Marching Band Season
 - August 14 - November 17th
 - Weekly Rehearsals
 - Football games on most Fridays
 - Contests on Saturdays
 - 1 in Sept.
 - 2 in Oct.
 - 2 in Nov.
 - Various performances during the week
 - Open the [Leander Band Calendar](#) link for more details
- All Region/Band Placement Auditions
- Holiday Concert

Spring Semester

- Chamber Ensembles
 - Recruiting and Community performances
- YAC Solo contest
 - Prelims
 - Finals
- Concert Band
 - Clinician Concert
 - PreUIL
 - UIL Contest
 - Spring Concert
- Leadership auditions and training
 - April/May
 - Leadership Camp
- New Member Camp



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NEW MEMBER CAMP



Why?

- Build Relationships
- Learn how to March
- Begin learning next years show music!!!

When?

- May 15th
 - 5:00-7:30pm – Rehearsal
- May 16th
 - 5:00-7:00pm – Rehearsal
 - 7:00pm – Parent Preview

Where?

- Rehearsals – LHS Band Hall
- Parent Preview – LHS Competition Gym

MANDATORY SUMMER CAMPS

- Percussion and Colorguard Camp (No Winds)
 - July 22-26
 - 8-5pm
 - LHS Band Hall
- Summer Band Camp (Everyone)
 - July 29-Aug 13th
 - See [Leander Band Calendar](#) for times and group specific rehearsals
 - Be sure to click on the event to view these details



Weekly Rehearsal Schedule



MONDAY

-FULL ENSEMBLE
-4:30-7:00PM

TUESDAY

-OFF

WEDNESDAY

-FULL ENSEMBLE
-4:30-7:00PM


THURSDAY

-FULL ENSEMBLE
-4:05-6:30PM

*7 HRS AND 25 MINS OF
REHEARSAL EACH WEEK

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***THE BIGGEST
MISCONCEPTION IN
THE HISTORY OF
MISCONCEPTIONS...***



*Band takes up too much time,
my kid can't do it...*

Insert slow eye roll...





YOU CAN DO IT!!

- Before 1997 there were no regulations on the amount of time that school organizations could practice outside of school
 - This includes Band, Athletics, Theatre, etc.
- Currently, in almost every other State in the country, there are no regulations for after school rehearsals/practices.
 - Many of these programs rehearse 12 or more hours a week





Despite this...

Texas Bands still dominate

NEED MORE PROOF??



LEANDER BAND

During my time at Leander HS (since 2019)...

An average of **6** children have become ineligible during the
Marching Band season.

...that's out of **240** members!!!!!!

GRAND NATIONALS

The Leander High School Band will be traveling to Indianapolis to compete in the BOA Grand Nationals Competition at Lucas Oil Stadium on Nov. 14-17, 2024.

DON'T WAIT!! Be sure to register asap so your monthly payments stay low.

Please remember that students that are not signed up for Grand Nationals cannot be considered for a Primary Spot. (Please contact me if you have concerns with paying for this trip)

Registration Link

<https://www.wetravel.com/trips/2024-leander-high-school-band-boa-grand-nationals-perform-america-tx-llc-indianapolis-61461888#packages-and-options>

Grand Nats Volunteer Interest form

- <https://forms.gle/Gq3mHsNiRs3qN1mh6>



BAND FEES

Band - \$650

- \$280 Fair Share
- \$300 Meals
- \$50 Uniform
- \$20 Smartmusic

Percussion - \$775

- Same as Winds (\$650)
- Plus \$125 for Drumline Contest Fees

Colorguard - \$1,100 Total

- Fall – Same as Winds (\$650)
- Spring – Winter Guard Season (\$450)
 - \$250 Fair Share
 - \$100 Food
 - \$100 Costumes

Where does my money go?

- Staff technicians
- Clinicians
- Master Classes
- Travel (Box trucks, Rig)
- Food
- Props
- Uniform/Uniform Supplies
- Designers
- Etc.



Please Welcome...



Brandy Cox

- *Band Booster President*

Ben Schneider

- *Band Booster Vice President*

REGISTRATION

Link for Registration:

<https://www.leanderband.org/register>



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Parent Volunteers



-BOARD MEMBERS

-CHAPERONE

-PIT CREW

-SEAM-TEAM

-PROP CREW

-FUNDRAISING TEAM

-COMMITTEE CHAIRS

-HOSPITALITY

-WATER DAWGS

-FRUIT NINJAS

ETC...

INSTRUMENT CHECK OUT & SUPPLIES - PETRO

[List of supplies for Winds and Percussion](#)

[Link to Instrument Rentals 101 Presentation](#)

Instrument Pick Up Night:

Thursday, May 23rd - 4:00-7:00pm - Leander High School Band Hall





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MISCELLANEOUS

Summer Section Leader hangs/sectionals

- Encouraged, but not required

Smartmusic Passoffs

- These are music assignments that are due before coming back for Summer Band
 - More details will be sent out soon

Required supplies for Summer Band

- Sunscreen
- White T-shirts
- Athletic Shorts
- Hat/Cap
- Fanny Pack
- Athletic Shoes
- Sunglasses
- Leander Band Water Jug (w/ jug cover)



Communication

SPORTS YOU

- Download the app here:
<https://sportsyou.app>

Your group code is: SQG5-9SHH

Google Classroom sign up

- <https://classroom.google.com/c/Njc1MTM1NzY1MTI4?cjc=yon5ymz>
 - Fall 2024 Audition Music Downloads found here

Emails

- If you are currently NOT receiving emails from us, please fill this out
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd0heMPKpXICrO10Sqs78_C3_FedsceQRGTBz7WcaESuPNFlw/viewform?usp=sf_link