

**WEST SUBURBAN HOME SCHOOL BAND**  
**2011/2012 CALENDAR**

*Dates and times are subject to change. Last revised 01/22/12.*

**Concert, Trimester 1 (winter)**

**September 2011**

15 – 7pm - ORIENTATION MEETING at Resurrection Church, Wayne  
(NW corner of Route 59 & Army Trail Road)

All new members are also invited and encouraged to come along with your parent(s) to this meeting.

- Return laundered marching hats and marching music
- Return any instruments loaned out for summer marching
- Percussionists – return all marching percussion equipment
- Return all sousaphones not being used for the Winter Concert Semester
- Register for 1st trimester, registrations and fees are all due this evening, 9/15
- Payments for all instrument rentals are due with registration by 9/15
- Pick up 1st trimester music (additional songs may be distributed at band)
- WSHSB red/white/blue wristband/bracelets will be available, \$3 each
- Orders taken for ETY ear plugs \$6/pair (Ear plugs made for musicians, which reduce the sound by 20 decibels but which still allow you to hear clearly, normally \$10/pair.)

22 – FIRST BAND PRACTICE – Resurrection Church, Wayne (NW corner of Route 59 & Army Trail Road)

4:45-5:15 – Set-up hall – All Cadets and parents are expected to arrive by 5:00pm,  
but not before 4:45. See Handbook for specific help needed.

5:15-6:00 – Cadet Band

6:00-7:00 – Concert Junior Band

7:00-8:00 – Concert Senior Band

8:00-9:00 – Symphonic Band (note: on occasion, director may request to rehearse beyond 9 pm)

9:00-9:30 – Reset hall - See Handbook for specific help needed.

*Note: All members must arrive @15 minutes before their band begins practice to allow for instrument set-up, etc. Those assigned to a sectional (not Cadets) need to arrive 30 minutes early to be ready for their sectional at quarter to the hour.*

29 – Regular practice at Resurrection

**October 2011**

6 - Regular practices at Resurrection

13 - Regular practices at Resurrection

- Deadline for ordering band apparel and ETY ear plugs

20, 27 - Regular practices at Resurrection

**November 2011**

3 – Regular practice at Resurrection

**8 - TUESDAY 7:30 – 8:30 pm - Jacket and pants fitting/exchange at the Borow's house**

10 - Regular practice at Resurrection

17 - Cadets' Winter Performance dress rehearsal at Resurrection in Cornelius Hall  
Regular practices for Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic

**24 - No band** in observance of Thanksgiving Day  
**Happy Thanksgiving!**

**25- FRIDAY – Wheaton Light a Holiday Parade (evening)**  
**Gather 5:15 pm in parking lot behind Wheaton's City Hall (NW corner Wesley St. and Wheaton Ave.)**  
**Step-off 6 pm.**

## December 2011

1 – 5:15 pm - Cadets' Winter Performance at Resurrection upstairs in Marvin Hall

Regular practices for Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic in Cornelius Hall

8 – **BAND PRACTICE CANCELLED - NO BAND PRACTICE**

15 – Possible band practice for one or more bands. Watch weekly notes for more info.

22, 29 - No band in observance of Christmas/New Year's holiday

**A Blessed Christmas and a Happy, Holy New Year!**

## 2012

### January 2012

5 – Regular practices

- **All Winter Concert Well-Wishers are due**

12, 19 - Regular practices

26 – THURSDAY 6-9:30pm - Dress Rehearsal at Norris Cultural Arts Center, St. Charles, IL

*Note: Attendance at dress rehearsal is required for inclusion in concert.*

**FRIDAY, January 27, 2012**

**WINTER CONCERT, 7-9 pm; Norris Cultural Arts Center, St. Charles, IL**

See our **Forms/Documents** Page for Directions to the Norris Cultural Arts Center.

## **Concert, Trimester 2 (spring)**

### February 2012

2– SPRING TRIMESTER BEGINS

- Register for 2nd trimester, registrations and fees are all due this evening, 2/2
- Payments for all instrument rentals are due with registration by 2/2
- Winter trimester music returned
- Spring trimester music distributed
- Regular practice for all
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers

9, 16, 23 - Regular practices at Resurrection

### March 2012

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Regular practices at Resurrection

**Saturday in March, date, time and location TBA – 11th Annual WSHSB Solo and Ensemble Contest**

### April 2012

5 – No band in observance of Holy Thursday

**Happy Easter!**

12 – Regular practice at Resurrection. **BAND OPEN HOUSE** during all practices, all interested home schoolers are welcome. Band times are listed above under 9/22.

19 – Regular practice at Resurrection

26 – Cadets' Spring Performance dress rehearsal at Resurrection in Cornelius Hall

Regular practices for Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic

- **Sign-up deadline for Patriot drum line percussionists (at the very least, email director your intention by this date)**

## **May 2012**

### **3 –5:15pm - Cadets' Spring Performance at upstairs in Marvin Hall**

Regular practices for Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic in Cornelius Hall

10 - Regular practices at Resurrection

- **5:00 - 6:00 pm** Percussion/drumline practice for Summer Marching
- **Sign-up deadline for Summer Marching for current WSHSB members** - Including registration, hat deposit and summer rental forms and fees.

17 - 6pm - Spring Concert Dress rehearsal at **Edman Chapel, Wheaton, IL**

**Note: Attendance at dress rehearsal is required for inclusion in concert**

## **Friday, May 18, 2012**

(Please note the date and location changed from that announced previously)

### **SPRING CONCERT, 7-9 pm;**

### **Edman Memorial Chapel at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL**

This concert is NOT a function of Wheaton College

See our **Forms/Documents** page for directions to Wheaton College and a map of Wheaton College Campus, Edman Chapel is #5. Parking lot is #30.

24- **THURSDAY** - Final Concert Season Meeting after the Spring Concert AND

Official start of SUMMER MARCHING TRIMESTER

**Band members arrive at 7 PM to do returns, etc.**

**Those new to WSHSB need not arrive until 7:30.**

- Return of all band music
- Return of all WSHSB rental/loaner instruments for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK**
- Return of all other band property
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers
- **For those NEW to WSHSB – Welcome! See our Summer Marching web page and contact the director in advance if at all possible. All those marching need to turn-in a completed Summer Marching Registration and pay the fee when you register. The form is on our FORMS/DOCUMENTS web page.**
- Summer marching music and hat distribution, followed by rehearsal - **bring your instrument, lyre and flip-folder.**

## **June 2012**

### **Marching, Trimester 3 (summer 2012)**

More details for the Summer Marching trimester will be posted as they become known.

- Patriots' marching camp dates and times
- Patriots' parades dates and step-off times
- Audition music release date
- Audition deadline

**\*\*\* ATTENTION \*\*\*** Our Concert Season runs throughout the school year, fall through spring. Those who wish to be part of the WSHSB Annual Summer Chair Competition must submit an audition video by the deadline in August. Auditions are mandatory for all but Cadets, our beginners' level. **AUDITIONING FOR A PARTICULAR BAND DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE IN THAT BAND.** There may also be limits in instrument sections within each band level. The Concert Season roster is set by the end of August. However, once the audition video deadline has past you are still able to join by submitting an audition video with the following understanding. You will be placed in the band where we feel you fit best and you will be at the end of the roster for your instrument. Those who do not submit an audition video will not receive music and will not be considered a member of the band.

Experienced musicians, student or adult, check out our website to learn how you can march with us whether you decide to audition and join or not. Please read [How to Join](#) and [Summer Marching](#) on our website for complete information. (While all [Summer Marching](#) specifics for 2012 will not be updated until later, most general information still applies.)