



**Spring 2026**  
**HANDBOOK**

**NYSFBC CHAMPIONS**

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2019 & 2021

# **MUSTANG BAND SEASONS**

## **Fall Marching Band – Field Band**

Brass, Woodwinds, Pit, Drum Line & Color guard (Grades 7-12)

Practices: 2 nights per week from 6:15-9pm (Tues, Wed or Thurs),

Band Camp is MANDATORY! If there are any conflicts with these dates, please contact Mr. Jaeger when the schedule comes out. Absences will be dealt with on an individual basis. If you are going to be absent you need to please communicate that. If you are absent without communication to a staff member, that is considered an unexcused absence and may warrant a conversation about your involvement in the program.

Performances: Saturday Competitions, Friday Night Football Games & Sunday Championships.

## **Winter Color Guard – Winter Guard**

Colorguard Club

Junior Varsity Color Guard (Grades 5-9)

Varsity Color Guard (Grades 7-12)

*Students in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up are expected to participate in Field Band and Street Band in order to be in Winter Guard. This helps with not only growth of the program, but allows the students an opportunity to continue learning technique with spinning and marching all throughout the year, and ensures they are not behind in those areas when Winter Guard season starts.*

Performances: Evening Saturday Competitions, Championships on Sunday

## **Spring Marching Band – Street Band**

Brass, Woodwinds, Drum Line, & Color Guard (Grades 7-12)

Practices: 2 nights a per week 6:15-9:00 (Mon, Tues, Wed, or Thurs)

Performances: Memorial Day Parade and the Spring Trip!

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### **MARCHING BAND DIRECTOR CONTACTS**

Mr. Matthew Jaeger, Director - [MJaeger@Medinacsd.org](mailto:MJaeger@Medinacsd.org) (585-590-0441)

Mrs. Kyla Leno-Denise, Assistant Director - [KLeno@Medinacsd.org](mailto:KLeno@Medinacsd.org)

Mrs. Andrea Busch, Assistant Director - [ABusch@Medinacsd.org](mailto:ABusch@Medinacsd.org)

\*Only parent/guardians may use these numbers. We would ask that communication happens through Parent Square primarily. Personal numbers are only given for emergency use.

Please see the attendance policy regarding missing a practice/rehearsal.

Students may use the Parent Square App if they need to contact an instructor about an absence.

# **BAND BOOSTERS**

**The Medina Mustang Band Boosters is a non-for-profit organization that is the backbone of the Mustang Band Program. Once your child/children sign-up to be a member of the Marching Band Program (includes Winter Guard), the parents/guardians automatically become a Band Booster. The boosters work hard to assure that the band has what it needs and also to raise funds to make it more than affordable for every member of the band to go on our annual trip (usually in the spring). They are the guiding force in running all of the fundraising efforts. Most of our fundraisers need workers to make these events successful. We will not ask of any family to work every fundraiser, but if you would be willing to help for a few hours, at at-least 2 events throughout the year, we would greatly appreciate it. When we are organizing each event we will be calling to see if you can help out. Remember all money raised goes to benefit the program and your child. More information about how you can help will be out soon, but are always discussed at our monthly Booster Meetings!**

Please contact the Booster President with any questions regarding the booster organization.  
Booster President – Crystal Elliott – [crystallynn51785@gmail.com](mailto:crystallynn51785@gmail.com) – 585-205-1444

## **2026 Remaining Booster Meetings**

Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

All remaining meetings are at 7pm in the High School Band Room. A Parent Square reminder is sent out the day before each meeting. All marching band parents are encouraged to attend. We encourage you to get involved and help out as much as you can. The boosters have a great time and we need chaperones as well as help throughout the year. Call Crystal Elliott if you have questions.

# ATTENDANCE POLICY

Spring rehearsals are two days a week on either Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays from 6:15-9pm at the High School. The Spring is set-up this way to try and avoid conflicts such as concerts, ceremonies, and sports. We understand that many students participate in a sport, dance, or may have another conflict. All we ask is that you try and make as many rehearsals as you possibly can. After you have arrived back from your game, you should grab something to eat, change into appropriate Marching Band attire, and join us for the rest of rehearsal.

All Mustang Band participants (this includes color guard) are required to attend all scheduled rehearsals and performances! Excused absences include: absent from school the day of the rehearsal, late due to a sports game or a family emergency.

*\*Unexcused absence: absent from Marching Band, but attended school. Student did not communicate with **Mr. Jaeger or Mrs. Leno-Denise** regarding their absence ahead of time.*

**2 UNEXCUSED ABSENCES WILL RESULT IN MEETING WITH THE BAND DIRECTOR TO DISCUSS YOUR ABSENCES AND TO SEE IF YOU WILL REMAIN IN THE BAND PROGRAM.**

The Spring season is short so we need students to be at as many rehearsals as possible. We understand that you are busy, but you have made a commitment to the band and we ask that you try and honor that commitment to the best of your ability.

# PERFORMANCES

**All performances are mandatory. We work hard to make sure that all conflicts dealing with school and sports are taken care of, although this may not always work out. Please clear all of the following dates on your family and social calendars. If there are concerns, please talk with Mr. Jaeger ASAP.**

**Memorial Day Parade** – Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> – Time TBD

**Spring Trip** – Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> – Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup>

# **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Spring Trip will be \$300. The first due day for returning members is approaching, but the due date for new members will be in mid-March. I will send that information home with the new members after February break. We greatly appreciate your efforts from our past fundraisers and adhering to the due dates for each of these. Due dates are set to give ample time for families to come up with the money for the trip. If there is an issue or you have a concern, please reach out to Mr. Jaeger. Your cooperation in paying on time is greatly appreciated, but we do understand if you need more time. All fundraising money that is past due from the Winter Fundraisers has been added to your account, and any extra money made from prior fundraisers are in your student account.**

## **Additional responsibilities:**

**All Color Guard and Band Members** – Guard or Marching Shoes = Guard Members shoes are \$56 and Band Members shoes are \$43 – Shoes have unfortunately risen in price over the last couple of years. If you are brand new you will be fitted for your shoes at uniform fittings. If you are a current member and your shoes are yellowing, are overly scuffed up with black marks or the toe or heel are not fully attached, it is time for a new pair. Please inform Mrs. McMullen at uniform fittings.

# 2026 SPRING MEDINA MUSTANG MARCHING BAND CONTRACT

I (student), \_\_\_\_\_ (print your name) have read through the entire Medina Mustang Marching Band Handbook, and I understand what is required of my participation in the marching band program.

Student Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ (Current)

Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Students Cell #: Used for emergencies only! \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Information: (First and Last Names and cell phone numbers – VERY IMPORTANT THAT THESE ARE CORRECT FOR OUR RECORDS)

Guardian Name and Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Name and Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE LIST WHO YOU LIVE WITH FROM THE ABOVE INFORMATION:

\_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*This Permission Form is due on or before FRIDAY February 27<sup>th</sup>.  
Please hand this to either Mr. Jaeger or Mrs. Leno-Denise!**