

Delaware Hayes Band

Weekly Update

Dec 1, 2025

I hope you had a great Thanksgiving Break! It's hard to believe we're already in December, but this means a lot of things are about to happen. Please make sure to read through the Update for all details.

Jazz Band/Combo

Jazz Band/Combo rehearsal schedule:

Monday: Jazz Band 2:45p - 4:00p; Combo 4:00p - 5:00p

Christmas Parade

We will be participating in the Home for Holiday's Christmas parade on Sunday Dec. 7. For this parade we will be wearing Ugly Christmas Sweaters and jeans. If you do not own a sweater, please plan to wear pacer gear and jeans. Students are also encouraged to make their instruments/sweaters light up, as this parade will be a night parade. (NO SANTA SUITS!) Most importantly, students should dress for the weather and be WARM!

Student Report Time is 5:30p at Mingo Park. I will be at the High School at 4:30 for students to pick up any school owned instruments. If you are planning to decorate your instrument, please plan to do so before then. Students will need to be dropped off at the corner of Union Ave. and Lincoln Ave. and walk to where the band is positioned. (Typically we're in the parking lot by the Skate Park.) The parade will finish in our typical location. We will meet in the parking lot behind the Aquatics Center. Parents, please plan to pick up your students there. I will be at the High School after the parade for students to return instruments. All school marching instruments MUST be returned by Dec. 10.

All City Band Concert

The All City Band concert will be Tuesday, December 9. The concert will start at 7p. Because of the limited space in the Gym, we will be ticketing the event and also live streaming for those families who cannot attend in person. Each family will receive a total of 3 tickets per family. These will be given to students this week during class. If a family is in need of additional tickets we may be able to accommodate them, however we can not guarantee extra tickets at this time. Please email one of the directors if more tickets are needed. The link for both the Concert and the Concert program will be posted Monday Dec. 8 via Facebook search for @pacerbands and sent via email.

Below are additional details for students:

- Marching Band Section Leaders are to report at 5:15p to help with setup/Navigation of Dempsey students.
- Hayes Band students report to HS at 6:00p
- Students should report already dressed in uniform
- Students should unpack their instruments and put cases back in Bin Room for storage
- Students should then head to the Gym and sit in their designated sections. Larger instruments can be placed down on the floor

Concert Dress

- Concert Band
 - Option 1: White button down dress shirt w/collar, neck tie - any color will work but black is preferred, black dress pants, black socks, black dress shoes - marching band shoes are allowed
 - Option 2: School-issued black top & black skirt, black dressy shoes - NO HIGH HEELS
- Symphonic Band
 - Option 1: School-issued tuxedo, white tux shirt, black socks, black dress shoes - marching band shoes are allowed
 - Option 2: School-issued black top & black skirt, black dressy shoes - NO HIGH HEELS

Cadence Club News

Giving Tuesday is TOMORROW!

Tuesday Dec. 2 is Giving Tuesday! We have a gracious sponsor who will match donations given to Cadence Club. Please consider supporting our students on Giving Tuesday. Please be looking for the link on how to support our Groups!

"Stuff the Truck" Fundraiser Details

The Cadence Club is partnering with Volunteers of America (VOA) to collect donated goods. The VOA weighs the donations and writes a check to the band program based on the total weight collected. Last year, this effort raised over **\$700!**

- **When: Tuesday, December 9th** (The night of the All City Band Concert)
- **Time:** Donations accepted from **5:30 PM – 7:30 PM**
- **Where:** High School Parking Lot (Near the main entrance/Auditorium)
- **What to Donate:** VOA accepts most clothing, household goods, small electronics, and toys.

How to Participate

1. Gather any gently used clothing, household items, or other eligible goods you are willing to donate.
2. Bring your donations with you when you come to the high school for the All City Band Concert on **December 9th**.
3. Look for the VOA truck in the parking lot and drop off your items between 5:30 PM and 7:30 PM.

The attached [flyer](#) from the Cadence Club provides all the specific details about the event and acceptable items.

Thank you for considering supporting the Cadence Club and helping to "Stuff the Truck"!

Pep Band

Pep Band will begin in December. Students will be signing up for games on the following dates.

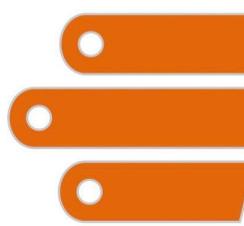
Dates:

Dec: 12, 16, 19

Jan: 6, 9, 13

Feb: 3, 6, 13, 20

All students are expected to play at 2 games throughout the Pep Band season.



Percussion Ensemble

This year we are starting a Percussion ensemble for interested percussion students. Jacob Class will be leading the ensemble on Tuesdays from 6:30p - 8:30p in the band room. Students will be working on pieces to perform at OMEA Solo & Ensemble.

Support the Pacer Independent Winter Guard!

We'll be fundraising at First Friday on December 5th, and we'd love to see you there! Our team will be selling handmade crafts along with Anthony Thomas chocolate bars—perfect for gifts or a treat for yourself.

Your support helps our performers have a successful 2026 season. Thank you for cheering us on!

Concert Ensemble Pictures/Senior Pictures

On Tuesday, Dec. 16 all performing ensembles will be getting group pictures. Students will need to bring their Concert Attire to school with them. Pictures will be taken during each class period. Students will have the opportunity to change before the picture.

All seniors will also be getting their picture taken for the Senior Board hanging above the Music Hallway. Seniors please plan to get your pictures taken that day.

Exam Schedule

All students will be expected to take an semester exam. Below are the dates of these:

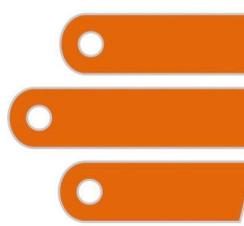
Concert Band - Thursday Dec. 18 at 10:35a

Symphonic Band - Friday Dec. 19 at 10:35a

Visit our Website/Facebook Page

Please check it out! It is a one stop shop for all details and information you need to know.
Pacerbands.org

Like our Facebook page for pictures/postings of our amazing students. @delawarepacerbands



Schedule at a Glance

<u>WHAT</u>	<u>WHEN</u>	<u>WHERE</u>
Jazz Band/Combo	Monday/Wednesday: Jazz Band 2:45p - 4:00p; Combo 4:00p - 5:00p	DHHS
Christmas Parade	Sunday Dec. 7 5:30p Report Time 6p Step Off	Mingo Park
Giving Tuesday	Tuesday Dec. 2	
Stuff The Truck Fundraiser	Tuesday Dec. 9 - 5:30p - 7:30p	DHHS
All City Band Concert	Tuesday Dec. 9 - 7p	Hayes Gym
Ensemble Pictures	Tuesday Dec. 16	Hayes PAC
Semester Exams	Concert - Thursday Dec. 18; 10:35a Symphonic - Friday Dec. 19; 10:35a	DHHS