

Delaware Hayes Band

Weekly Update

Sep 20, 2026

Congratulations on another successful weekend. It's fair week and our Skull Session performance this Saturday. Please make sure to read carefully, as the schedule for this week is different!

Rehearsals this Week

Monday: FULL BAND - 2:45p - 5:00p

Wednesday: Full Ensemble - 2:45p - 5:15p

Thursday: NO REHEARSAL (Enjoy the Jug!!)

Students will need to remember to bring proper marching band attire/shoes with them to school in the morning. Students can store items in the band room as needed.

Rehearsal Change for Monday:

Because of the short week, we are going to have FULL BAND rehearsal on Monday 2:45p to 5:00p. This primarily impacts our Percussion students. The reason for this change is due to our short week.

Fair Performance Tuesday. (9/22)

We will be going to the Fair on Tuesday 9/22 to parade and perform. Students will be released at 10:40a (end of 4th period) and then we will line up and head to the fair at approximately 11a. Students will need to remember to wear or bring the following items:

Orange Show Shirt

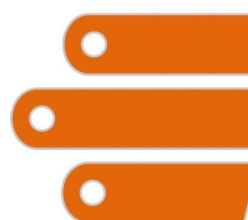
All black shorts

Black socks

Black Marching Band Shoes

Once we are finished with our performance, students will have the opportunity to walk the fair and get lunch. Students should bring money for food. NO STUDENT is permitted to leave the fairgrounds. STUDENTS SHOULD ALSO NOT BRING BACK ANY LIVE ANIMALS FROM THE FAIR!!! (Yes, this happens every year.) We will depart from the fair with enough time to be back for 8th period and students catching the bus.

Any student who does NOT have their parent forms filled out in Powerschool CAN NOT attend the fair. Please work to get these forms completed by Tuesday morning.



Away FB Game (Worthington Kilbourne)

Our next Football game is away against Worthington Kilbourne. Because of not having school that day, students will need to report at 4:30p. Students will need to bring all items for their uniforms. Because of the Skull Session the next morning, we looking to leave the Football Game after halftime. This will allow students to get home a little early before our report time on Saturday.

Please remember the following items:

- Marching Band Compression Shirt
- Black Socks
- Black Marching Band Shoes
- Items to pull hair into Shakos
- Show Shirt (Color Guard only)
- Black Leggings (Color Guard only)
- Dance Shoes (Color Guard only)
- Remember to bring your own water bottle (Make sure your name is on it)
- Extra money for concession stands.

OSU Skull Session Sept. 26

On Saturday Sept. 26 we will be participating in The Ohio State University Skull Session. The game has been announced as a Noon (12p) Kickoff, so that means the Skull Session will start at approximately 9:40a. The Band will begin performing at approximately 9a. Parents are welcome to attend the Skull Session as these will be open to the public. The doors will open at 9a. We would encourage you to get there when the doors open as St. John's Arena will fill up quickly!

Directions to St. John's Arena

Please use the following link to access Game Day Parking. There will be NO PARKING at the arena.

[OSU Football Parking | CampusParc](#)

Report Time:

Report time to the High School will be 6:15a (come ready to change into uniform.
Please make sure to have the following when you arrive:

Marching Band

- Compression Shirt
- Black calf-high socks; Black Marching Shoes; Gloves
- No Jewelry/Hair off of your neck.

Color Guard

- Black Leggings
- Guard Shoes
- Make-up/Hair supplies
- Gloves

Here is the schedule for the day.

6:15a - Report time/Change into Uniform
 6:45a - Depart for OSU
 7:45a - Arrive at OSU/Unload
 8:15a - Depart for St. John Arena
 8:30a - Take Seats in St. John Arena
 9:00a - Doors Open/Begin Playing

9:40a - OSU MB enters/Skull Session Starts
 11:00a - Skull Session Ends
 12:00p - Depart for Hayes
 1:00p - Arrive at Hayes/Unload

Buckeye Invitational (Tentative Schedule)

We have a tentative schedule for the Buckeye Invitational. We do not have a confirmed warm-up time, but I'm going off of previous years. Please know that these times may change a little. **The only confirmed time is our Performance at 4:30p.**

We will be rehearsing before the competition on Saturday. Students are to report the HS at 9:45a. Please make sure to have the following when you arrive:

Marching Band

- Compression Shirt
- Black calf-high socks; Black Marching Shoes; Gloves
- No Jewelry/Hair off of your neck.
- Show shirt/sweatshirt/jacket for after the performance.
- Money for concessions (Card Only)

Color Guard

- Black Leggings
- Guard Shoes
- Make-up/Hair supplies
- Gloves
- Money for Concessions (Card Only)

Please note that our final runthrough will take place on the practice field, not in the stadium. Spectators are welcome to join us starting at 11:15a. If you plan to attend, please bring your own chair.

Here is the schedule for the day:

9:45a - Report Time
 10:00a - 11:30a - Rehearsal
 11:30 - 12:45p - Load/Eat/Change
 1:00p - Depart for OSU
 2:00p - Arrive/Unload/Bathroom
 3:00p - Meet at Trucks/Trailer
 3:30p - Warm-up

4:30p - Performance
 4:45p - Picture at Rotunda
 5:00p - Load Trucks/Trailers/Change
 5:30p - 9:00p - Watch other Groups
 9:00p - Watch TBDBITL sit together
 9:30p - Awards
 10:00p - Load Buses/Depart for Hayes
 11:30p - Arrive at Hayes/Unload

Because this is a much longer day, any student who DOES NOT wish to stay may be picked up by a parent/guardian after our performance. Those students who wish to do this must bring a signed parent note by the Friday before the Invitational. Parents will then need to meet their student at the buses and sign out with Mr. Fowles/Mr. Wilkins.

- Buckeye Invitational Ticket Information Cost & Purchase Location:

The tickets for the Buckeye Invitational will be sold online at go.osu.edu/BI2026 until October 1st or at Ohio Stadium at GATE 5 (on the Northwest side of the Stadium). The cost will be \$20.00 online and \$25.00 at the gate (Credit Card or Cash – EXACT CHANGE ONLY). Kids 6 & under are free and parking is included in the ticket price. Ohio Stadium A, B, & C Decks will be open on the west (press box) side of the stadium for all spectators and all seating is general admission for bands and the public. Students and fans may exit and re-enter Ohio Stadium at any time. Please retain ticket stub for re-entry.

- Concessions:

Concession stands on the west (press box) side of the stadium will be open throughout the day. **Concessions in Ohio Stadium are now cashless. No cash will be accepted at any stand.** Personal food and beverage are not permitted inside Ohio Stadium. Please keep this in mind when planning for the day!

- Merchandise:

You are encouraged to pre-order your merchandise if interested in getting a shirt/sweatshirt. All orders must be completed between Sept. 21st through Sept. 27th and can be picked up at the Buckeye Invitational. No orders will be shipped. There will also be day of sales, however they will have a limited number of sizes. You can view/order at the following link.

KKYeta.org/shop

State Marching Band Finals

Because we have already qualified for State Marching Band Finals, we have earned the right to pick our day/time. We will be performing on Saturday Oct. 31. We have requested our performance time to be late morning/early afternoon, to allow those students and families to still be home in time for any Halloween/Trick or Treating activities. Once we have a confirmed time, I will send out a more detailed itinerary.

Cadence Club News

- We will have signups for Chaperones/Pit Crew for the next few weeks. Please consider signing up when they are posted.
- The next Cadence Club Meeting will be Oct. 6 at 7p.

Music Folder/Drill Folder

[Music Folder](#) - click to access copies of the music for this Marching Band season.

[Drill Folder](#) - click to access copies of Drill Charts/Coordinate Sheets/Videos. There are also examples of how to bracket music.

MusicFirst/Assignments

This school year, we will again be using MusicFirst to complete assignments. All returning students should NOW be able to access MusicFirst and login. Please make sure to be checking MusicFirst for Weekly assignments/practice. Students are encouraged to explore and practice outside of the normal assignments!

Sign-up for Weekly Updates

If you have not already done so, please make sure to sign-up for this year's Weekly Update. Starting Aug. 1 I will no longer be using last year's email chain. Please fill out the following form to ensure you're receiving the most up to date information.

[Weekly Update Communication Form.](#)

2026 Marching Band Schedule

Below is the schedule for our '26 marching season. Please keep these dates open as you begin to plan your Fall. On Competition days, we will have rehearsal on those days. Please keep the entire day free. Once we get performance times, we will be able to give more details.

GAMES/COMPETITIONS/PARADES:

DATES	TIMES	EVENT	LOCATION
9/25	2:45P	AWAY FB GAME WORTH KIL.	WKHS
9/26	9:00A	OSU SKULL SESSION	OSU
10/2	2:45P (DEMPSEY)	HOME FB GAME WEST. SOUTH	DHHS
10/3	4:30P	BUCKEYE INVITATIONAL (OSU)	OSU
10/9	5:30P (HC)	HOME FB GAME DUBLIN SCI.	DHHS
10/16	2:45P	AWAY FB GAME WESTLAND	WHS
10/17	TBD	RIVERVIEW COMPETITION	TBD
10/23	5:30P (SENIOR)	HOME FB GAME VILLA ANGELA	DHHS
10/24	TBD	NEWARK COMPETITION	TBD
10/31	TBD	STATE MB FINALS WEEK 1	TBD
11/1	2P REPORT	VETERANS DAY PARADE (3P)	DHHS
11/5	7P	MARCHING BAND BANQUET	DHHS
12/6	5:30P REPORT	CHRISTMAS PARADE (6P)	DHHS

FALL WEEKLY PRACTICE SCHEDULE: STARTS WEEK OF AUG. 17

MONDAY – BR/WW - 2:45P - 5:00P

MONDAY - GUARD ONLY - 3P - 6:30P

MONDAY - PERCUSSION ONLY - 4P - 6P

WEDNESDAY – FULL ENSEMBLE - 2:45P – 5:15P

THURSDAY – FULL ENSEMBLE - 2:45P – 5:15P

FRIDAY - 2:45 - AWAY FB GAMES ONLY

Dates and Times are subject to change

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

Pacerbands.org

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Schedule at a Glance

<u>WHAT</u>	<u>WHEN</u>	<u>WHERE</u>
Marching Band Practice	Mon. Sept. 21; Full Band 2:45p - 5:00p	Hayes High School
Fair Performance	Tues. Sept. 22; During the School Day	Hayes High School/Delaware County Fair
Marching Band Practice	Wed. Sept. 23; Full Band 2:45p - 5:15p	Hayes High School
Away Football Game	Fri. Sept. 25; Report time is 4:00p	Worthington Kilbourne
OSU Skull Session	Sat. Sept. 26; 6:15a Report 9:00a Performance	OSU
Marching Band Practice	Mon. Sept. 28; Brass/WW 2:45p - 5:00p Percussion 4p - 6p Color Guard 3p - 6:30p	Hayes High School
Marching Band Practice	Wed. Sept. 30; Full Band 2:45p - 5:15p	Hayes High School
Marching Band Practice	Thurs. Oct. 1; Full Band 2:45p - 5:15p	Hayes High School
Home FB Game (DEMPSEY NIGHT)	Fri. Oct. 2; Stay after school to rehearse w/8th Graders!	Hayes High School
Buckeye Invitational	Sat. Oct. 3; 9:45a report time 4:30p Performance	OSU

