## Fraser High School Band Program Information 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation 2022

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## Classes that are part of the daily schedule as listed in the Program of Study:

- **Varsity Band**—9<sup>th</sup> grade only, no audition; participation in Marching Band is voluntary, but **highly recommended!**
- Concert Band—10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, no audition; <u>required</u> to participate in Marching Band
- **Jazz Band**—9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, <u>acceptance by audition only</u>; saxophones, trumpets, trombones, guitar, piano, bass guitar, drums.
  - Jazz Band auditions are scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, and Thursday, April 14, 2022.
- **Symphony Band**—9<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grade, <u>acceptance by audition only</u>, <u>required</u> to participate in Marching Band
  - ❖ Symphony Band auditions are scheduled for Tuesday, April 19, and Wednesday, April 20, 2022.
    - Sign-up sheets will be posted for audition times.

Marching Band—is not a scheduled class during the school day; comprised of members from Varsity, Concert, and Symphony bands, 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades.
\*\*\* REGISTRATION Forms will be due April 15, 2022. \*\*\*

Summer dates are as follows:

- Pre-camp: Fraser High School from July 26 28, 9 am 4 pm.
- <u>Away Band Camp</u>: Michigan Christian Youth Camp in Attica from Monday, August 1, to Friday, August 5, 2022. The cost of away camp is **\$275.00 per student**.
- Wednesday night rehearsals on August 10, 17, 24 from 5 − 9 pm
- First home game is usually the last week of August (TBD).

Color guard clinic days will be APRIL 25 & 26, and the auditions will be Wednesday, APRIL 27 (first round) and Thursday, APRIL 28 (final cuts), 2022. Clinics and auditions are from 7:00 – 9:00 pm; LOCATION TBA.

**<u>Drum line</u>** auditions will be held at the beginning of May 2022 (TBD) for the fall season. Once accepted into these groups, practices will begin at the end of June/early July and continue throughout the summer.

Once school begins in September, the Marching band will meet for practice on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. **AND** will include sectionals during one SMART period per week. The marching band performs for all home football games, various local parades, pep assemblies, as well as two marching competitions.

Marching band is a graded portion of the fall semester.

Stay informed: FHS Band Booster group email: <a href="mailto:fraserbandboosters@gmail.com">fraserbandboosters@gmail.com</a>