

Lexington Catholic Band Syllabus & Calendar of Events Fall 2009

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Classroom Rules

1. Have a positive attitude and treat others with respect.
2. Food, candy, gum, and drinks are not permitted in the Band Room. This rule applies to the class period, school day, and all before and after school band activities. Students in violation of this rule will receive an automatic detention.
3. Communication in the band room should primarily be non-verbal, therefore conversation should be kept to a minimum. Good manners are always in fashion, so talking out of turn, over an adult, or over another student is not acceptable.
4. Instruments, music folders, and pencils are required for every band class. Each student must use their own music, even if they are sharing a stand.
5. Bathroom needs should be taken care of before students arrive for class. Students will be issued 2 bathroom passes for the semester to be used at the teacher's discretion.
6. Plan ahead. Since the band room is at the far end of the school, have your books ready to go for the next class so you don't need to make an extra trip to your locker.

Classroom Procedures

1. Enter the classroom quietly and in an orderly fashion.
2. Check the board for information on the day's activities and other announcements.
3. Assemble your instrument and prepare your book, sheet music, and pencil for class.
4. Begin individual warm-ups until the teacher signals for your attention to begin the group warm-up.
5. At the end of class, all instruments should be cleaned and stored properly. Folders and instruments must be put up each day.

Required Class Materials

- Instrument
- Music Folder including:
 - Sheet Music
 - Pencil
 - Warm-up Book (These books are the property of LCHS and students are responsible for the replacement of lost or damaged materials)
- Flip Folder (for pep band music)

Performance Attire

Students must be in proper attire for all band performances in order to receive full credit.

Concert Band - "Concert Black" means solid black dress clothes, socks/hose, and dress shoes. **Ladies** wear a black dress (must cover the knees when seated) or a black dress top & pants. **NO SLEEVELESS ITEMS!** **Gentlemen** wear a button-down, long sleeve black dress shirt, black dress pants, belt, socks and dress shoes. **NO TENNIS SHOES!**

Pep Band - LCHS Band shirt and jeans

Practicing

Band is an academic class and students are expected to do the homework. Practicing is the "required homework" for band class. Students should be prepared for all playing/seating tests and work diligently in preparation of concert music.

Grading

Band is a co-curricular because students will play for concerts, special performances, festivals, and selected athletic events throughout the year that fall outside of class time. Grades will be determined based on the following scale:

- **Performances - 50%**
- **Playing & Seating Tests - 20%**
- **Music Project - 10%**
- **Final Exam - 10%**
- **Participation - 10%**

Required Dress Rehearsals & Performances

Sept. 4 – Football game LCHS vs. St. X
October 7 – Dress Rehearsal
October 11 – Fall Band Concert
October 30 – Football Game LCHS vs. Trinity
November TBA – Football Playoff Games
December 2 – Dress Rehearsal
December 7 – Band & Choir Christmas Concert

Playing & Seating Tests

Seating tests are used to determine part assignments for concert music. There will be two seating tests this semester: August 26 and October 21. Playing tests are used to assess music proficiency and accuracy. Several tests will be assigned throughout the semester.

Music Project Options

- Private lessons – a full semester of lessons verified by the private instructor
- Community music (performance at a nursing home or church service - these **MUST** be approved for credit)
- Jazz Band or Percussion Ensemble – **MANDATORY** attendance at all after-school rehearsals
- Honor Band – participation in an Honor Band
- Stage Crew – set-up and tear down for concerts, open house, etc. Students must sign-up for at least 3 events.

Band Fee

In lieu of a book fee, students enrolled in band are assessed a \$50 Fine Arts class fee. The finance office will charge this to your school tuition account.

Instrument Rental Fees

Students who play school-owned instruments are assessed a rental fee to help offset routine maintenance and repair costs. Rental contracts will be distributed during the first week of school.

Fundraising

We will raise money for the band program and the spring trip to New York through various fundraising activities this year. Fall semester fundraisers will include the Christmas brochure and Poinsettia sale and runs October 23-November 6.

Website and Edline

Information and announcements on band activities can be found on Edline and the band website. Please make use of these resources.

www.lexingtoncatholic.com/band.htm

Band Parent Volunteers

Parent volunteers help band events run smoothly! Volunteer forms will be sent home in a few weeks. Please indicate the area(s) in which you would be able to help the LCHS Band program by filling out the form and sending it back.

Medical Form

The Lexington Catholic High School Band is a very active organization. Students will be participating in numerous school-sponsored activities and we need to have travel permission, medical information, and emergency contacts on file. Please fill out the attached travel permission and medical form and return it to the band office.

Jazz Band & Percussion Ensemble

These ensembles meet after school each week. Percussion Ensemble meets on Wednesday mornings from 7:10-7:50 and Jazz Band rehearsals afterschool on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:15. Any student enrolled in Band is welcome to participate in these ensembles.

Tri-M

Tri-M is a national music honor society for juniors and seniors who demonstrate academic and musical achievement.

Honor Bands

Asbury All-Star Honor Band – November 19-21 (based on application and Director Recommendation)

KMEA All-State Band – February 3-6 (by audition: Round 1 - Nov. 17 @ Tates Creek, Round 2 - Dec. 12 @ John Hardin)

Private Lessons

Students are strongly encouraged to take private lessons. Please see a director if you are interested in taking lessons. Some private teachers offer lessons during flex time at school.

Fall 2009 Band Events

Date	Event	Time	Details
Wednesday, Aug. 26	Seating Test	during class	Seating test for part assignment
Friday, Aug. 28	Pool Party @ Heartland	6:30pm-9:00pm	bring \$3 to swim pizza & drinks provided
Friday, Sept. 4	LCHS vs. St. X	6:00pm call 7:30pm game	tailgate dinner provided attire is band t-shirt
Wednesday, Sept. 30	Tri-M Honor Society Induction LCHS Theater	6:45pm call 7:00pm ceremony	Invited juniors Attire is dress clothes
Wednesday, Oct. 7	Dress Rehearsal	7:15AM	Combined rehearsal with Percussion
Sunday, Oct. 11	Fall Band Concert LCHS Theater	1:30pm call – Jazz & Percussion 2:00pm call – Concert Band 3:00pm - Performance	Attire is Concert Black
Wednesday, Oct. 21	Seating Test	during class	Seating test for part assignment
Friday, Oct. 23	Fundraiser kick-off	In class	Christmas brochure & Poinsettia sale
Friday, Oct. 30	LCHS vs. Trinity (Senior Night)	6:00pm call 7:30pm game	tailgate dinner provided attire is band t-shirt
Friday, Nov. 6	Fundraising sale ends	during class	Orders due
Thursday, Nov. 19-21	Asbury College Honor Band	Schedule TBA	Based on application and Director recommendation
Nov. TBA	Football Playoff Games	TBA	TBA
Wednesday, Dec. 2	Dress Rehearsal	7:15AM	Combined rehearsal with Percussion
Saturday, Dec. 5	Fundraiser delivery	11:00am-12:00pm	Pick up brochure products and poinsettias
Monday, Dec. 7	Band & Choir Christmas concert Bueter Gym	5:30pm call – Jazz & Percussion 6:00pm call – Concert Band 7:00pm - Performance	Attire is Concert Black
Wednesday, Dec. 16	Final Exam Music Project due	In class	Folder turn-in Music project due

Spring 2010 Events

January 28-20 – District Honor Band
 February 3-5 – KMEA All-State Band
 February 20 - Solo & Ensemble
 March 23 - Area Band Concert
 April 7-11 – NYC Spring Trip
 April 16 – District Concert Band Festival
 May 17 - Dinner Concert & Awards Ceremony
 May 23 – Graduation

This form is due Monday, August 24

LCHS Band Syllabus & Supplies Form

Student Name _____

Instrument _____

_____ *I have read the LCHS Band Syllabus/Calendar and know what is expected for the Fall 2009 semester.*

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Band T-shirt (\$15 each)

Student T-shirt	(S	M	L	XL)
Additional T-shirt(s)	(S	M	L	XL)
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Flip Folders (\$5) – required for all instruments

Lyre (\$5) – needed for woodwinds & brass

Type of Instrument: _____
(Example: Getzen trumpet, Vito Clarinet, Yamaha Alto Sax)

Extra folio pages (\$.50 each)

Total \$ _____

make checks payable to LCCHS Band

Lexington Catholic High School Band Travel Permission & Medical Form

Participant's name: _____
Birth date: _____ Sex: _____
Parent/Guardian's name: _____
Home address: _____
Home phone: _____ Business phone: _____

I, _____ grant permission for my child, _____
Parent or guardian's name Child's name
to participate in Band events that require transportation to a location away from the Lexington Catholic High School site. Activities will take place under the guidance of Band Directors Brad Kerns, Allison Weitkamp and Craig Potter, school employees, and/or volunteers from Lexington Catholic High School.

As parent and/or legal guardian, I remain legally responsible for any personal actions taken by the above named student ("participant").

I agree on behalf of myself, my child named herein, or our heirs, successors, and assigns, to hold harmless and defend Lexington Catholic High School, its officers, directors, employees and agents, chaperons, or representatives associated with the event, from any claim arising from or in connection with my child attending the event or in connection with any illness or injury (including death) or cost of medical treatment in connection therewith, and I agree to compensate the school, its officers, directors and agents, and the Diocese of Lexington, its employees and agents, chaperons, or representatives associated with the event for reasonable attorney's fees and expenses which may incur in any action brought against them as a result of such injury or damage, unless such claim arises from the negligence of the school/diocese.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

MEDICAL MATTERS: I hereby warrant that to the best of my knowledge, my child is in good health, and I assume all responsibility for the health of my child. (Of the following statements pertaining to medical matters, sign only those that are applicable.)

Emergency Medical Treatment: In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to transport my child to a hospital for emergency or surgical treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital or doctor. In the event of an emergency, if you are unable to reach me at the above numbers, contact:

Name & relationship: _____ Phone: _____
Family doctor: _____ Phone: _____
Family Health Plan Carrier: _____ Policy# _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Other Medical Treatment: In the event it comes to the attention of Lexington Catholic High School, its officers, directors, and agents, and the Diocese of Lexington, chaperons, or representatives associated with the activity that my child becomes ill with symptoms such as headache, vomiting, sore throat, fever, diarrhea, I want to be called collect (with phone charges reversed to myself).

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Medications: My child is taking medication at present. My child will bring all such medications necessary, and such medications will be well labeled. Names of medications and concise directions for seeing that the child takes such medications, including dosage and frequency of dosage, are as follows:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

No medication of any type, whether prescription or non-prescription, may be administered to my child unless the situation is life threatening and emergency treatment is required.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I hereby grant permission for non-prescription medication (such as non-aspirin products, i.e. acetaminophen or ibuprofen, throat lozenges, cough syrup) to be given to my child, if deemed appropriate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Specific Medical Information: Lexington Catholic High School will take reasonable care to see that the following information will be held in confidence.

Allergic reactions (medications, foods, plants, insects, etc.): _____

Immunizations: Date of last tetanus/diphtheria immunization: _____

Does child have a medically prescribed diet? _____

Any physical limitations? _____

Is child subject to chronic homesickness, emotional reactions to new situations, sleepwalking, bedwetting, fainting?

Has child recently been exposed to contagious disease or conditions, such as mumps, measles, chicken pox, etc.? If so, list dates and disease or condition: _____

You should be aware of these special medical conditions of my child: _____

LCHS Fall 2009 Parent Information & Volunteer Form

Student Name _____

Instrument _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Mom's Name _____

*Email Address _____

Cell Phone _____

Dad's Name _____

*Email Address _____

Cell Phone _____

***Email will be the primary source of communication**

Volunteer Activities

Please check area(s) and circle preferences

Concerts and Receptions

October 11

set-up

clean-up

take pictures & make copies for band

video concert

food & refreshments

December 7

set-up

clean-up

take pictures & make copies for band

video concert

food & refreshments

Fundraising Committee

_____ I am willing to chair the committee

_____ I am willing to serve on the committee

Band tailgate dinners for home football games

_____ I am willing help organize the parent volunteers

_____ I volunteer to help at dinners (pick-up and deliver food, serve food, etc)