

RBSMS Music Bulldog Band & Choir

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I would like to take a moment to extend my heartfelt congratulations to all of our amazing students on successfully completing another fantastic school year. Your dedication and hard work have led to remarkable musical growth, and I am incredibly proud of each and every one of you!

As we approach the Summer break, we have a wonderful lineup of Summer activities planned to help you prepare for the upcoming 2022-2023 School Year. I encourage all students to seize this opportunity and actively participate in these activities. They will undoubtedly contribute to your continued progress and success.

It is crucial for our students to maintain their practice routines during the Summer months. While I don't expect students to practice excessively, dedicating just 10-20 minutes each day to individual practice can make a significant impact on your musical ability, which could dramatically improve our band's overall quality.

Throughout the Summer, I will be sending out friendly reminders about our upcoming Summer Band Activities, ensuring that you stay informed and involved. To receive these messages, you'll want to update our new CutTime program AND to follow our band facebook and instagram accounts. My sincerest wish is for each of you to have a safe and relaxing Summer, and I strongly encourage you to set aside some time in your schedule to join us for our Summer Band activities. Your presence will truly make a difference!

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding these upcoming Summer Band Activities, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at <u>bschmidt@pasco.k12.fl.us</u>. I eagerly anticipate the opportunity to see all of you soon!

- Mr. Schmidt

Instrument Masterclasses

This Summer we will be holding instrument masterclasses to help students focus on improving instrument-specific skills. In addition to myself, we'll also have some guest teachers coming to support your learning! You won't want to miss these masterclasses!

Date	Instrument	Times	Location
July 6	Flute & French Horn	9:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Zephyrhills High School
July 11	Clarinet & Trumpet	9:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Zephyrhills High School
July 13	Saxophone & Low Brass	9:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Zephyrhills High School

All-State & All-County Prep

In addition to our Instrument Masterclasses, we'll be holding specific days to support those students who are interested in auditioning for either the Florida All-State Band or the Pasco All-County Band. These prep sessions will be taking place on July 18 and July 19 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Zephyrhills High School Band Hall.

Drumline Jam!

Our Drumline Jam is a great opportunity for our percussion students to learn how to play our drumline instruments, music, and cadences. It's essential that all Concert and Symphonic Band percussion students attend this activity because we will be assigning students to their marching band instruments for the upcoming year! Our Drumline Jam will be taking place on July 19 and July 20 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Zephyrhills High School Band Hall.

Additionally, we will be holding a Jazz Drumming Session on July 20 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Zephyrhills High School Band Hall. This session will be important for any student who is interested in learning to play the drumset!

Summer Band Rehearsals

Our Summer Band Rehearsals are our most important Summer activity. These rehearsals are essential to preparing our band for the upcoming school year. All Concert and Symphonic Band students are expected to attend these rehearsals. During these rehearsals, we will be learning our new Marching Band music, performance fundamentals, and more...!!! Our Summer Band Rehearsals will be taking place on August 7 and August 8 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Raymond B. Stewart Middle School!