

Duncanville Middle School

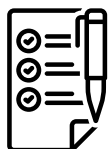
Beginning Band



Welcome to the band program at Duncanville Middle School! This is going to be an exciting year filled with new opportunities.

Please read the following information carefully as I try to not be redundant but want you to be informed.

The **GREEN** sheet must be signed and returned by



Tuesday, August 15.



Watch the Back to School- Beginning Band Update Video at tinyurl.com/duncband OR scan the QR code .



If you have any questions, please email me at bmmason@tcss.net or message me via SchoolStatus texts.

Thanks,
Brooke Mason
Director of Bands- Duncanville MS

Beginning Band Information



Grading Policy

10 pts per week

Daily performance
points

10-20 pts

Weekly Assignments:
Playing Quizzes
Online Quizzes

100 pts

Required Events

Makeup Grades/Assignments will be in Schoology.



Daily Materials Needed

- Black Folder (One will be provided)
- Pencil
- Instrument
- Instrument supplies to keep instrument in working condition
 - Flutes: Cleaning rod and cloth
 - Clarinets/Saxophones: Reeds, swab
 - Trumpets, Horns, Euphoniums, Tubas: Valve Oil, Slide grease
 - Trombones: Slide oil, Slide grease
 - Percussion: Stick bag, mallets, sticks

If you need anything from Cole Band Instruments during the year and you do not want to drive to Northport, you may call in an order. If you call and tell them you go to DMS, you can pay with card over the phone, and they will deliver the item to DMS with your name on it! Cole Bands: (205) 339-5539



Band Uniforms

Uniform (For all concerts): Band Tshirt and Jeans

This year's DMS band shirt can be purchased via MySchoolBucks.

We will wear this shirt with jeans for both the Winter and Spring Concerts.



Lockers

Students will be assigned a locker in the band room and will be provided with a combination lock if they would like one. This is a great place to store BAND supplies and equipment. This is not a place to store food, clothes, or other non-band items. It is the student's responsibility to keep their locker clean and their locker locked.



Conduct Policy

Students must adhere to all DMS and TCSS rules and policies. As a member of the band, students are ambassadors for our school. Students who do not adhere to school rules on a regular basis will not be allowed to attend band events outside of school including honor band events, field trips, and/or concerts. Students and parents will be made aware of any decisions of ineligibility to participate in advance.






Beginning Band Dates

Required (Graded) After School Events

Times listed are start time or performance times for the event. Report times will be announced closer to the event.

For more descriptions of each event, stay up to date with Update Videos posted and sent out by Ms. Mason.

Thursday, November 30	3- 4:30 pm	After School Practices for Winter Concert	
Tuesday, December 5			
Thursday, December 7	6:30 pm	Winter Concert Performance at HHS	
Tuesday, April 30	3- 4:30 pm	After School Practices for Spring Concert	
Thursday, May 2			
Tuesday, May 7	6:30 pm	Spring Concert Performance at HHS	
Wednesday, May 8	During School	Beginning Band Bash Field Trip at UA	

Optional Events

More events will be available and will be communicated via Update Videos and SchoolStatus..

Solo and Ensemble- *This is a great event to show off a solo or small group performance for a judge. This judge will give comments on what you do well and how to improve, along with a score. If you receive a score of "Superior", you receive a medal.*

Register with Ms. Mason by: March 21 (Form and small fee)

Solo and Ensemble Event: April 13 at Brookwood High School

Open Band Room

The band room is open for practice most Tuesdays beginning in October. A monthly calendar will be sent out with dates and exceptions.

Students attending should report directly to the band room on the third bell. Students may be picked up at any time between the end of school and 4:15pm. Students must be picked up at or by 4:15pm. Repeated or excessive tardiness will result in loss of this privilege.

When students attend Open Band Room, they are expected to practice their instrument.

Students may use this time to work on music from class, get help preparing for a playing test, or learn a new song.



PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

We have read and agree to the information in regards to the DMS Band in the 2023/2024 school year.

Student Name

Parent Signature

Stay in Contact

Any change in information listed, additions, and reminders will be communicated mainly through SchoolStatus. Please make sure your contact info and email is up to date in SchoolStatus. Additionally, information can be found on our DMS band website, which can be found off of the DMS website or directly at tinyurl.com/duncband and at our Instagram and Facebook pages: @Duncanvillebands.



[www.tinyurl.com/duncband](http://tinyurl.com/duncband)



@duncanvillebands



Duncanville Bands

Pictures and Social Media:

In an effort to share the good efforts of band students and promote and recruit for band, pictures are used on the band room walls, social media, the band website, and recruitment flyers. Last names will NEVER be used on any posts and all posts will be about POSITIVE accomplishments.

_____ I will allow photos to be used.

_____ I would prefer my child's face be blurred in all photos.

Band Apparel

Band tshirts are required as part of the Beginning Band's concert uniform.

Band tshirts (last year's or this year's) are required as part of Concert Band's informal uniform (used for field trips, football games, etc).

Tshirts are \$16 and should be paid through MySchoolBucks.

___ I have already paid for a t-shirt via MySchoolBucks

___ I need a shirt but please add the fees to my school fees to pay at a later date.

*Ms. Mason must receive confirmation of payment before students will be given t-shirt.

___ I am a Concert Band student who will use my shirt for last year and does not want this year's shirt.

T-shirt Size (all adult sizes): S M L XL 2XL 3XL