



Marching Band 2024-25 Season

Glossary of Band Terms:

1. **WAMB** - West Allegheny Marching Band (Marching Pride)
2. **BAND DIRECTOR** - MR. TJ FOX - tfox@westasd.org
3. **ISA** - individual student account - this is your students' available funds held within the WAMB bank account. It can be used for band related items per 5013 (c) direction.
4. **THE Grey Box** - literally a grey drop box in the high school band room, on the wall behind Mr. Fox's door. This box is very important, it will collect dues, trip payments, fundraising etc.
 - a. *all 8th grade students can submit WAMB forms before Friday Night games and during practices.
5. **Remind App** - all communication from Mr. Fox will come via a Remind text - see attached on how to sign up. (Parents and Members both sign up)
6. **Raise Right App** - an easy way to put fundraised money into your ISA - see attached on how to sign up (formerly called Scrip)
7. **Booster** - Booster refers to ALL guard and band member's parents or guardians
8. **Festivals** - usually two per season in September. We travel to other school's festivals and perform our full show - it's the other school's "Cavalcade"!
9. **Cavalcade - OUR FESTIVAL** - Our biggest fundraiser! EVERYONE is asked to help. We provide the location and other schools perform and we perform last! It is so much work and fun!
10. **Band Shoes** - all students are required to buy and keep a pair of black band shoes - see attached information order form
11. **Weekly Email** - put out weekly through Cavalcade - look for the WAMB weekly email from Mr. Fox - all the dates and events to know for that week are highlighted.
12. **Long Black Socks** - All band members need to bring a pair of LONG BLACK SOCKS to every event that they wear their uniform. It is part of the uniform that they supply along with their shoes. If your child forgets their socks, the uniform committee will have socks available for purchase through ISA deduction only. Socks are \$5 for the first pair and \$10 for every occurrence thereafter.
13. **Uniforms** - each student will be fitted for their uniform during band camp. They are responsible for these uniforms. They are forbidden from any snacks that are not supplied by the Boosters on behalf of Mr. Fox!
14. **Dues** - Total dues are \$160 per fiscal year, June to May, and can be paid at once or in \$80 increments due June 30 & August 31 annually. Checks in grey box written to WAMB.
15. **Activity Fee or also called "Pay-to-Play"** - this is due to the WA School, the band treasurer collects these checks and forms and turns our entire band in at one time. This is due to the school by 7/31. Please pay at or by the 7/25 band practice. It can go in the Grey Box labeled Activity Fee along with the form and a check written to WASH.
16. **westmarchingpride.com** - our website, updated with the latest news and info - also more information available in the FAQ section. Including fundraisers available and explained in depth
17. **Rookie** - Any member new to the band, regardless of grade



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18. **Show Shirt** - a t-shirt worn by members to events under their uniforms or worn as their uniform at designated events, eg. Kennywood Day (included in dues)
19. **Red Polo Chaperone Shirt** - can be purchased currently by contacting the Chaperone Chair or through our apparel store online. An apparel link will be sent out monthly once available.
20. **Chaperone Clearances** - To chaperone, please send clearances to Christi Kreg @ christi.kreg@gmail.com.
21. **Chaperone Signup** - You can use the Google form located on our website under Chaperones/Apparel and click the google doc link provided.
22. If you need more information to obtain clearances, please see the District site or links on our WAMB site under Chaperone/Apparel.
23. Please visit our website for the FAQ section for new parents! westamarchingpride.com