

JOIN! Montgomery Blair Marching Band

Why join Marching Band?

- You will make friends. You will get to entertain hundreds of people!
- **You will get 50 SSL hours for participating.**
- You will have a skill that can lead to marching band at the college level.
- ALL MBHS students eligible. **NO Auditions required!!**



What can I do?

- **Play an instrument!**
- **Be in the color guard (flag accompaniment)**
- Visit <http://www.mbhsmusic.com/marching-band.html> -- watch performances, take a look at the opportunities
- **NEW for 2018 – Field Assistants:** These students will earn 30 SSL hours helping to perform the logistical tasks of our performances; setting up and taking down the practice field, marking drill spots, helping to clean up, keeping up with equipment as necessary. Only 5 students will be taken as field assistants for 2018, so contact Mr. Oldham if this interests you!

When does it start?

- There will be a full band “Mini Camp” at the end of school year: June 7, 11, 12, and 14 from 3:30-4:40. Come meet the band members and start learning the music!
- All practices/camps are at MBHS – Blair! In the band room, in the parking lot, on the field.
- Marching Band camp will be part of the day during the last two weeks of August, 8/20-8/24 (8:30am-4:30pm) and 8/27-8/31 (3:30-5:30)
- If you cannot attend all/part of the camp, please speak with Mr. Oldham ASAP!

When does the MB practice: September through November

- Monday - Drumline and Color Guard (3:30-4:30pm)
- Tuesday & Thursday - Entire Marching Band (3:30-5:30pm)

When does the MB perform?

- Parent Picnic – Always the last day of Band Camp 6:30-8:00pm (August 31, 2018)
- Kensington Labor Day Parade – Labor Day Monday in Kensington, MD
- ALL Home Football Games – Friday evenings approximately 5-9 pm
- Area Marching Band Competitions
- Silver Spring Thanksgiving Parade – Saturday before Thanksgiving
- Evening performances per invitation, including Sankofa, the DCC Open House and other events @ Blair/TBA

How much does it cost? What do I need to bring?

- MBHS provides students with all uniforms & instruments (if needed).
- \$100 fee to cover uniforms, equipment, travel, etc. *This fee will be waived if needed* ALL are welcome!

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