



Welcome to the
Newbury Park HS
Instrumental Music
Department



What do I get?

Academic Benefits

Social Benefits

Musical Benefits



Instrumental Music Department Organization

Courses Offered:

Concert Band

Jazz Band

Marching Band

Winter Drumline

Color Guard



Concert Band

- The Concert Band performs throughout the year at many school and local events as well as putting on 3 concerts per year on campus. There is a Spring Tour planned each year in April or May (approx. \$350-\$400).
- Meets during 1st period all year (7:00-8:00am). You are tardy if you are not in your seat, with your music, and ready to play by 7:00am. Tardies could result in lunch detention being assigned or loss of participation points.
- Attendance is required at all rehearsals, sectionals, or performances outside of the normal school day.
- All students must be enrolled in Concert Band to be eligible for participation in any other group (Marching Band, Jazz Band, or Drumline)



Jazz Band

- There are two Jazz Bands at NPHS. Jazz I is for advanced players with strong individual musicianship (reading, playing, improvisation). Jazz II is for younger players that are interested in developing their skills and learning more about the Jazz tradition.
- Jazz Band meets Mon – Thurs from 2:15-4:30pm (Jazz I 2:15-3:15, Jazz II 3:30-4:30)
- Placement in one of the Jazz Ensembles is by audition only with auditions typically taking place the week after Thanksgiving.
- There are regular rehearsals and performances outside of the normal school day (before/after school, evenings, Saturdays).
- Instrumentation is limited to the standard big band setup: 5 Saxophones (2 Alto, 2 Tenor, 1 Bari, 4-5 Trumpets, 4 Trombones, Piano, Guitar, Bass, Drums).



Marching Band

- The Marching Band rehearses after school Mon-Thurs from 2:30-4:30pm
- There are two summer camps to prepare for Marching Band:
 - Band Camp I is in June (M,T,W the week after graduation)
 - Band Camp II is the two weeks before the first day of school (M-F 8-4pm)
- Additional Rehearsals and Performances are typically on Saturdays.
- There are additional participation pledges due if you are part of this group. The fair share donation for this group is typically around \$650 (\$450 to cover the costs of producing the program, \$200 for our weekend trip to State Championships). The actual amount is determined each year and is based on the number of students participating.



Winter Drumline

- The Drumline typically rehearses 2-3 days/week after school or in the evenings (6-9pm)
- Auditions for the Drumline begin in December and the season runs through mid to late April
- Non-percussionists are encouraged to participate!! Don't worry, we'll teach you what to do...
- Additional Rehearsals and Performances are typically on Saturdays.
- Additional participation pledges are due with group (roughly \$400-\$500 due between Jan. and Mar.)



Colorguard

- The Colorguard is a visual/dance unit that performs with the Marching Band in the fall and then attends their own competitions in the Spring.
- Practices are 2 to 3 days per week after school from Dec.-Apr.
- No previous dance or colorguard experience is necessary. If you are interested, we'll teach you what you need to know.
- Additional Rehearsals and Performances are typically on Saturdays
- Colorguard members do not pay the District Uniform Maintenance fee, but are required to purchase their own costume (custom tailored and designed each year) for use in the fall with the Marching Band and in the Spring with Winter Guard (usually around \$125).
- Additional participation pledges are due for the Spring term (roughly \$300-\$400 due between Jan. and Mar.)



What about the money?



-Individual Student Accounts (ISA)

Every student's expenses are tracked via their ISA (all debits and credits). These accounts are automatically generated by our treasurer and used to account individual expenses and contributions.

The treasurer or ISA coordinator are the point of contact if you need to know your ISA balance.



Fundraising

ISA Fundraisers – Ways for you to earn credit for your individual account. Profits earned from these events benefit the individuals that participate with very little to no profit going to the general fund. These fundraisers are completely voluntary and can be used as needed to offset band expenses.

Program Fundraisers – These are larger events put on by the entire IMD for the general benefit of the band program. Funds from these events may be used to help indirectly offset individual fair share donations or to purchase instruments, music, materials. All IMD families are expected to help with these events as much as possible.



Why do I have to pay more money?

Don't my taxes already pay for the band program?

Yes and no.....but mostly no.

What is provided by the state and school district covers the basic cost of offering the class without regard to any extra-curricular activities. Essentially, we get enough to teach just the class period and a modest amount from the district to help offset the costs of additional staffing (coaches and assistants that work with the kids).

As a music program, we are on our own essentially to provide for any other additional needs to enrich the students music education, including purchasing additional instruments, taking trips to festivals and competitions, providing meals to the students while we are away, purchasing quality literature and music resources to augment the curriculum.



So, then what does it cost?



Annual Financial Commitment

These fees are paid by every member of the Instrumental Music Department at the beginning of each year regardless of how many or what groups you are participating in.

1. Annual District Fees: \$118 Transportation
 \$100 District Uniform Maintenance Fund

Colorguard does not pay this, they purchase their own custom tailored costumes that are used for Marching Band and Winterguard

2. IMD Annual Pledge \$100 Instrument Maintenance,
 Coaching, Music, Guest Clinicians

Annual Total: \$318

Marching Band, Drumline, Winter Guard are optional and in addition to these annual fees.



What does my \$100 annual pledge cover?

Program Overhead

Equipment Maintenance	\$1,150
Clinicians/Guest Artists	\$4,500
Instrument Purchase/Repair	\$4,000
Total Program Expenses	\$9,650
Number of Students in IMD	65
Annual Contribution	\$148

The additional \$48/student is covered by the Panther Band Parents



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Approx. Marching Band Expenses

Staffing Costs	\$10,000
Show Design	\$5,500
Props/Backdrops	\$1,000
Transportation	\$2,000
Student Meals	\$2,800
Tour Shirts	\$500
Entry Fees	\$1,250
Championship Weekender	\$9,000
Total Cost	\$32,050
Booster Subsidy	\$2,000.00
Net Cost	\$30,050.00
Number of Students	40
Cost Per Student	\$751



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Net Cost	\$30,050.00
Number of Students	50
Cost Per Student	\$601

Notice the significant impact of just 10 additional members!!



How can I make my participation in band more possible?

1. Participate actively in the Panther Band Parents fundraising efforts throughout the year to help keep individual costs down
2. Participate in the SCRIP program religiously (easy, free money)
3. Participate in the sponsorship program over the summer. Major individual student account (ISA) opportunity for everyone!



ISA Builders

• Summer Sponsorships	\$62.50
• Coffee!!!	\$60.00
• Lampost Pizza	\$50.00
• <u>Albertson's SCRIP</u>	<u>\$48.00</u>
Total	\$220.50



How can parents help?



Share your talents, time, and ideas with the Panther Band Parents

What do the Panther Band Parents do?

-Fundraising

Organizing Individual Student Fundraisers
as well as Major Program Fundraisers

-Logistical Support

Planning, Webpage Design/Maintenance,
Publicity, Working the Pit Crew, Event
Coordination, Organizing Uniforms, Sewing,
Bookkeeping/Accounting, Chaperones,
Building/Welding/Repairing Equipment...
you name it!



Is there anything else that I can do to help my child be successful in band at Newbury Park?

- Encourage them to practice at least 30 minutes every day.
- Consider private lessons – this can be an amazing help!!
 - Ensure that they have good equipment that is well maintained.
 - Attend their performances and be a part of our family. You will never regret being a part of your child's most important years growing up.



So what do I do now?

- Mark the Summer Dates on your calendar
- Complete the online registration by June 10th
www.nphsband.org
- Get ready for Marching Band Camp June 14th-16th!!
- EVERYBODY* marches in the Ventura County Fair Parade on Aug. 7th (see website calendar for details)
- Attend our Fall Kickoff Potluck on August 27nd at 6pm in the cafeteria



Important Summer Dates

June 14th-June 16th Band Camp I 9am-12pm

**For all students planning on competing
with the Marching Band next fall**

8/5, 8/6 - Ventura County Fair Parade Practice 1-4pm

**8/7 Parade Performance – Everyone (including alumni)
Beach trip after parade!!**

8/16-20, 8/23-27 Band Camp II (Marching Band Only) 8-4pm
**Mandatory for all students planning on competing
with the Marching Band next fall**

8/21 Community Cleanup Day (Major Fundraiser) 8-12pm
Pool Party and BBQ afterwards at NPBS

8/27 IMD Fall Kickoff Potluck 6pm
NPBS Cafeteria/Stadium



Thank You For Coming Tonight
We Are Excited to Have You Join
The Panther Band Family!