

2024-2025

William Tennent Music Boosters Association

Marching Band Information Packet

This packet contains information that we hope you will find useful throughout the school year. Information about the various committees, who to contact if you have questions, and a preliminary calendar of band events for the season are included. A complete listing of items included is below:

- Welcome letter from our President and Executive Board
- o Who are the Music Boosters?
- o Family Picnic/Friends and Family Show
- o Contact list of Band Director, Exec Board Officers and Committee Chairs
- Communication Information How to stay informed!
- o Food Truck Festival
- Fundraising Information
- o Uniforms
- o Band Equipment
- o Fan Gear!!
- o Parents' Meetings Calendar
- Schedule of Performances
- Activity fees
- o Band Booster Form



William Tennent Music Boosters Association 333 Centennial Road Warminster, PA 18974

Welcome to the 2024-2025 Season

The Executive Board members and I would like to welcome your family to the William Tennent Music Boosters Association. We are gearing up for a very busy and exciting season, and are very excited to work with our band director, Mr. Nick Seifert, and the WTMB staff.

We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones.

This packet contains a lot of important information, such as fundraising, a calendar, a band uniform checklist, and important phone numbers. Please take some time to read through each page. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Band Association Officers.

We are holding our 35th Annual Family Picnic and Friends and Family Show on Saturday, August 24th following band practice. The picnic and friends and family show are very exciting for the new and returning parents. The family picnic is a time to meet new parents and catch up with old friends. There's more information on that later in this packet.

The first general meeting of the new year will be Wednesday, September 10th, at 7:30 pm. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm. I strongly urge all parents to attend as many meetings as possible to get all the latest information regarding games, competitions, fundraising, student accounts etc. Meetings are a great time to ask questions and find out how you can be a part of all the great things the WTMBA does for our students.

We encourage every family to participate in all fundraisers and events for the benefit of our students.

I look forward to working with all of you this year. With everyone's help, I'm confident that we can have a successful and fun year together.

Sincerely,

Michele Gregory President, WTMBA

Who are the Music Boosters?

We are parents who have a vested interest in watching our children experience success through hard work, dedication, guidance, and leadership.

What do we do?

We do everything we can to support our kids! We cheer them on at competitions and football games, plan events, and support the staff in any way we can. We help with equipment, uniforms, instruments, and most importantly, we **FUNDRAISE** to provide the financial support to meet the needs of the WTMB!

Who are your Music Boosters Board Members?

President- Michele Gregory wtmbapresident@gmail.com

Vice President -Salvatore DiPaolo wtmbavp@gmail.com

Treasurer -Joe Taylor wtmbatreasurer@gmail.com

Recording Secretary - Jennifer Carlin wtmbarecordsec@gmail.com

Corresponding Secretary -Holly Feusner wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com



35th Annual

Band Family Picnic

and

2024-2025 Marching Panther Band

Friends and Family Show

will be held on

Saturday, August 24th

Meet at the Football Stadium, Alumni Field.

Please bring your own food and drink, blanket or chairs.

Each family is requested to bring a "small" dessert to share.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

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Have a question about something band related? We can help!

This is a list of the Officers and Committee Chairpersons for 2024-2025.

If you are not sure who to ask, call an officer.

We will be happy to answer your question or direct you to a person that can!

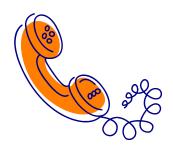
Band Staff					
Director	Nick Seifert	215-441-6181	seifni@centennialsd.org		
	Executive Bo	oard Officers			
President	Michele Gregory	610-715-1803	wtmbapresident@gmail.com		
Vice President	Sal DiPaolo	215-588-0126	wtmbavp@gmail.com		
Treasurer	Joe Taylor	267-467-6564	wtmbatreasurer@gmail.com		
Corresponding Secretary	Holly Feusner	215-421-4145	wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com		
Recording Secretary	Jennifer Carlin	267-980-8914	wtmbarecordsec@gmail.com		
	Chairp	ersons			
Celebration of Bands Chair			cobchair@gmail.com		
Celebration of Bands Co-Chair			cobchair@gmail.com		
Parents Night Out	Michele Gregory	610-715-1803			
Videographer	Holly Feusner	215-421-4145	hfeusner@gmail.com		
Photographer	Tina Cairns	215-817-0792	wtmbapixs@gmail.com		
Hospitality			abuffum@hotmail.com		
Publicity	Opportunity Available				
	Jenn Auslander/Mary	10.1.000.000.1			
Uniforms	Rooney	484-620-0231	wtmbauniforms@gmail.com		
Equipment	Bob Feusner	215-801-5051	sweatybob75@gmail.com		
Novelties/Fan Gear	Michele Gregory				
Alumni	Matt Dierkes	215-816-5257	Mdierkes01@verizon.net		
	Jason Tumelty	215-778-7875	jason19999@aol.com		
By-laws	Opportunity Available				
Corporate Sponsorship	Sal DiPaolo	215-588-0126	diponchase@gmail.com		
Fundraising					
Giant & Shop Rite Gift Cards	Monica Taylor	215-380-5928	taylormade2005@comcast.net		
Car Wash	Opportunity Available				
Spirit Wear	Michele Gregory	610-715-1803			
Stocks Cake Sale	Michele Gregory	610-715-1803			
Clothing Drive	Monica Taylor	215-380-5928	taylormade2005@comcast.net		
	Tina Carden	215-913-7426			
Thanksgiving Pies	Monica Taylor	215-380-5928	taylormade2005@comcast.net		
Food Truck Festival			wtmbafoodtruck@gmail.com		
Food Truck Festival Co-Chair			wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com		

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taylormade2005@comcast.net

Monica Taylor

Dinner Night Out



WTMBA COMMUNICATIONS

Parent Communications

We want to be able to communicate with you! Please make sure you have returned the WTMBA Parent Communication form. This was handed out in the initial WTMBA packet back in June. Questions, or if you need another form, please email Holly Feusner at wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com.

Web Site

Be sure to check out our website (www.wtmb.org) for forms, directions, fundraising information, calendars, etc. If you have information to add to the web site, please contact Joe Taylor at wtmbasite@gmail.com.





Publicity

The publicity committee makes contact with local media (newspapers and TV stations) to share our band's success and increase awareness throughout the community of our many activities.

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Spring 2025 - date to be announced 11am to 5pm.

William Tennent hosts an annual Food Truck Festival each Spring. In addition to our great Food Trucks we have Vendor Tables, Raffle Baskets, games for the kids, performances by our William Tennent Marching Band students and much more!!!

Many volunteers are needed for this event to be successful! Prior to the event, volunteers are needed to help coordinate Parking/Traffic, Raffle Baskets, and Kid's Games. On the day of the event we need many volunteers to make the event a success. Volunteers can sign up for 2 hour shifts - details will be shared closer to the event.



FUNDRAISERS FOR 2024- 2025 YEAR



Giant & Shop Rite Gift Card Fundraiser

Giant and Shop Rite gift cards are available all year round to help you raise money for your child's account. Gift cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations.

GIANT Gift Cards:

• 4.5% of each gift card purchased will be deposited into your child's account. (For example, if you purchased \$200 in gift cards, \$9 would be deposited into your child's band account)

Shop Rite Gift Cards:

- 5.4% of each gift card purchased will be deposited into your child's account. (For example, for every \$200 purchased in gift cards, \$10.80 would go into your child's band account).
- Take your Shop Rite receipt, write William Tennent Marching Band on the receipt and place it in the brown box at the front of the store. Shop Rite sends additional money to the band based on receipt totals.

To schedule a time to pick up the gift cards, contact Monica Taylor at 215-380-5928

All checks should be made payable to <u>WTMBA</u>. For all fundraising, we can only accept checks from Marching Band Parents.

Additional Fundraising Events

Dinner Night Out

Stocks Pound Cake Sale

Thanksgiving Pie Sale and Coffee Sale

Food Truck Festival

Clothing Drive

Spirit Wear

Parent's Comedy Cabaret Night

Celebration of Bands

Uniforms

During the second week of band camp each student will be fitted with a band or color guard uniform.

These band uniforms are property of the Centennial School District and the color guard uniforms are the property of the WTMBA. Each member is responsible for any damage to (or loss of) uniform articles.

To ensure uniformity, there are parts of the uniform that each student is required to have and receive through the WTMBA. Sets are provided as part of the annual Activity Fee, but if the student requires additional pieces throughout the year, the Uniform committee holds "trunk" sales.

Cleaning of the band uniforms will be handled by the uniform committee. However, if you eat something and accidentally spill something on you, get to a uniform representative quickly!

Color Guard uniforms are being handed out. They are to be hand washed, separately, as needed, following manufacturer instructions.

Each student will be handed a set of Uniform Care Instructions and Inspection Expectations at Uniform Distribution. Please take the time to become familiar with them. Each piece has its own requirements.

Please contact Mary Rooney wtmbauniforms@gmail.com should you have questions or need assistance with your uniform.

With everyone's cooperation, WTMB will continue to be the best looking band in the area!

Band Equipment



Join the equipment crew (or Band Roadies) This committee is especially popular with the <u>Band Dads!!</u> Help load and unload the trailer before and after performances with instruments and equipment. Set up equipment on the field for the Band for all performances. No experience necessary.

Bonus incentives!!!

- carpool with other crew members
- FRÉE admission to events
- Personalized badge that says "Equipment Crew."

Sign-up at any meeting or picnic to help. Text Bob Feusner @215-801-5051.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!



William Tennent Marching Band



"Fan Gear"



There are many ways you can support your favorite marching band! A variety of items with the "WTMB Panther logo" are available.

Items available for students to promote pride in their marching band include hooded sweatshirts, sweatpants, and shorts.

Parents are welcome to purchase these items, too!

Novelty items include musical t-shirts, sweat shirts, sweatpants, PJ bottoms, shorts, hats, window stickers, seat cushions and for those cold football nights – scarves and blankets!

All items are subject to availability from the vendor.



William Tennent Music Boosters Association 2024-2025 Schedule of Meetings

GENERAL MEETINGS

TUESDAY, August 13 Parent Information Session 7pm Band Room

Tuesday, June 2 (if needed)	7:30 pm	Band Room
Tuesday, May 6	7:30 pm	Band Room
Tuesday, April 1	7:30 pm	Band Room
Tuesday, March 12	7:30 pm	Band Room
Tuesday, February 4	7:30 pm	Band Room
No January meeting		
Tuesday, December 3	7:30 pm	Band Room
*Tuesday, November 12	7:30 pm	Band Room
Tuesday, October 1	7:30 pm	Band Room
Tuesday, September 10	7:30 pm	Band Room

All meetings will occur on the first Tuesday of the month, unless noted*

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Beginning in September, these meetings occur prior to the general membership meetings, and begin at 6:30 pm.

2024 WT Marching Band Schedule

	2024 W I Maiching Da	na Scheane	
Week 0			
Thursday August 22	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Saturday August 24	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Rehearsal, Friends and Family Show, Picnic	
Tuesday August 27	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday August 29	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday Aug 30, 2024	7:00 PM Kick	Football Home V Methacton	
Week 1			
Tuesday September 3	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday September 5	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday September 6	7:00 PM Kick	Football @ Radnor	
Saturday September 7	Call time ~8:00 AM	USBands @ Souderton Clinic Show	
Week 2			
Tuesday September 10	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday September 12	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday September 13	Call time ∼ 4:00 P	Football Home V. Haverford.	
Saturday Sep 14, 2024	Call time ~8:00 AM	USBands @ Central Bucks East	
Week 3			
Tuesday September 17	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday September 19	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Saturday September 21	Call time ~12:00 PM	USBands @ Quakertown	
Week 4			
Tuesday September 24	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday September 26	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday September 27	7:00 PM Kick	Homecoming Game V Wissahickon	
Week 5			
Tuesday October 1	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday October 3	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday October 4	7:00 PM Kick	Football @ Upper Medford	
Saturday October 5	Call Time ~10:00 AM	USBands @ North Penn	
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Week 6	6.00.0.00.77		
Tuesday October 8	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday October 10	7:00 PM Kick	Panther Band Night V Hatboro	
		Horsham	
Friday October 11		Tentative: Band Trip	

Saturday October 12	Ludwig-Musser Classic, East Rutherford NJ		
Sunday October 13	Tentative: Band Trip		
Week 7			
Tuesday October 15	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday October 17	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday October 18	7:00 PM Kick	Football @ Springfield Montco	
Saturday October 19	Call Time ~12:00 PM	USBands @ Upper Dublin	
Week 8			
Tuesday October 22	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday October 24	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday October 25	7:00 PM Kick	Senior game V Plymouth Whitemarsh	
Saturday October 26	Call Time ~8:00 AM	US Bands States @ Upper Moreland	
Week 9			
Tuesday October 29	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Thursday October 31	6:00-9:00 PM	Rehearsal	
Friday November 1	7:00 PM Kick	Playoff Football?	
Saturday November 2	William Tennent Celebration	n of Bands presented by US Bands	
Post-Season Parades			
Tuesday, November 12	6:00-8:00 PM	Parade Rehearsal	
Sunday November 17	TBD	Hatboro Holiday Parade	
Tuesday May 20, 2025	6:00-8:00	Parade Rehearsal	
Monday May 26, 2025	7:00 AM call	Memorial Day Parades	

Any questions, feel free to email Mr. Seifert at seifni@centennialsd.org

The Performance Checklist

- Band shoes (are they polished?)
- Black band socks
- Band shirt
- Band gloves
- Flipfolio/Music
- Rubber Band
- Extra change of clothes
- Sweatshirt for the bus ride
- Snack Money
- The following parts of the uniform are kept at school (exception is Guard).
 - o Uniform pants
 - o Uniform jacket
 - o Shako/Beret
 - o Overcoat (when needed)
 - o Garment bag

REMEMBER to bring your INSTRUMENT!!!!!!!!

WTMBA Activity Fee

\$195 per student

The first 60\$ installment is due **June 18**, **2024**. The next installment of 75\$ is due on **August 12**, **2024** (Day 1 of Band Camp) and the final installment of 60\$ is due **September 7,2024**.

Students will receive the following for this fee:

- 1 gallon water jug
- A theme t-shirt
- A WT Uniform Polo Shirt
- Black socks
- Gloves
- Dinkles (shoes) new members only
- Guard costumes
- Pizza dinners
- Band banquet

These fees will also be used to cover uniform cleaning, music/drill sheets for the field show, competition fees, show/guard props, and special events.



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333 Centennial Road, Warminster, PA 18974

Booster Membership

SELL BOOSTER MEMBERSHIPS TO YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS...AND PUT MONEY INTO YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT!

Here's how it works:

- Anyone not eligible for a Parent Association Membership, but who wants to support the Marching Band can purchase a \$2.00 (minimum amount required) Booster Membership from any participating Band member.
- 2. For each Booster Membership you sell, you will earn 90% of that money for your student account (additional 10% goes to the general fund). The more booster memberships you sell, the more your profit will be.
- 3. This is an ongoing activity. You can sell memberships throughout the school year.
- 4. Boosters will be advertised in the Celebration of Band Program and Memory Book.

Booster memberships can be handed in at any Association Meeting, any Marching Band function, or you can mail to:

Joe Taylor 1055 Spring View Drive Southampton, PA 18966

Please make all checks payable to "WTMBA"

SIGN ME UP!!

Booster Name(s)			
Seller Name(s)			
I have enclosed cash or a ch	eck payable to "WTMBA" in the	amount of	\$2.00 (or more).
For WTMBA Use Only: Amount Pd	Date Pd	Cash	_Check #

Yes, I want to support the Marching Band by becoming a Booster Member of the "WTMBA" for the 2024-2025 school year.