

UAHS
MARCHING BAND
BOOSTERS
RISING
FRESHMAN



APRIL 3RD, 2025
PRESENTATION - 2025-2026

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Pride
Power
Spirit
Attitude



INTRODUCTIONS

Directors

Todd Fessler (Director)

Kolin Redman (Asst. Director)

Jon Parker-Jones (Asst. Director)

Matthew Zelnik (Asst. Director)

John Honeycutt (Percussion Director)

Guest Clinicians

Dr. Adrienne Lape, Clarinet

Katia de Jong, Saxophone

Michael Rueda, Mellophone

Luke Bingham, Trumpet

James Becker, Trumpet

Ross Runyan, Trumpet

Tony Zilincik, Tuba/Baritone

David Hedgecoth, Horns

Jason Graham, Trombone



INTRODUCTIONS

Boosters Executive Board

Sarah Gemperline – Booster President

Jane Brown – Past President

Michael Geygan – Booster VP/Family outreach

Elaine Alicea – Development Manager

Renee Rodabaugh – Travel Manager/Volunteer Coordinator

Ryan Babb – Booster Co-Treasurer

Rebecca Sutton – Communications Manager

INTRODUCTIONS

Boosters Volunteer Committees

- Uniform Chair/Co - Vacant for 25-26 School Year
- Band Camp - Michael Geygan, Sarah Gemperline (need Volunteers)
- Spreads - Noelle Fox (need Volunteers)
- Family Outreach - Emily Geygan, Rada Pecourt, Uyen Tram, Julie Paisely, Renee Rodabaugh
- Senior Night - Michael Geygan, Sarah Gemperline (need Volunteers)
- 3rd Qtr Refreshments - Elaine Alicea, Heather Dowler (need Volunteers)
- Car Wash - Noelle Fox, Elaine Alicea
- Flower Sales - Elaine Alicea, Looking for assistants for Fall, Winter & Spring Sales
- Photographers (need Volunteers)

All committees can use help if you have the time!

(Y)OUR MISSION

The purpose of the Boosters is to enhance and maintain an enthusiastic interest in all aspects of the Upper Arlington Band program and to provide all possible support, both moral and financial. The Upper Arlington Band Boosters is a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the Ohio Nonprofit Corporation Law to support the band program at UAHS. This vital support allows the band to function to its full potential. Everyone who has a student in the program is automatically a member. Being involved with the Boosters allows parents to support their child throughout his or her time in high school. Meetings are held monthly.

The word "POWER" is rendered in large, bold, 3D-style letters with a yellow outline and a dark grey fill. The letters are set against a dark blue background that features a bright stadium light on the left, creating a lens flare effect. The overall aesthetic is energetic and modern.

POWER

TERMS TO KNOW

- Boosters- parents of band students
- Sections- groups of students who play the same instrument - Section leaders go through training & vetting process
- Spread- pre-game performance for the community (that's you!) held at UAHS
- Booster Meetings - Held monthly - ALL PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND



SPIRIT

UAHS BANDS

Marching Band

The Upper Arlington Golden Bear Marching Band proudly performs at all home and away football games, community events, parades, and out-of-state trips. As a traditional show-style band, they learn new music and routines for each home game but do not participate in competitions. Marching Band begins in June with rehearsals for the Upper Arlington 4th of July parade. Fall season preparation starts with a week of Band Camp in early August. Once school begins, rehearsals are held daily at 7:30 AM through 1st period during the marching season. Band members must be proficient on their instruments and demonstrate dedication to continuous improvement. First-year members will experience new traditions and terminology, such as leg lifts, toe points, ramp, locker signs, inspection, spats, plumes, summer and full uniforms, music checks, sectionals, spreads, 3rd quarter, pregame, cadences, and cheers. With a proud history spanning decades, the band represents Upper Arlington High School with pride and dignity. Though demanding, Marching Band is a rewarding experience that fosters discipline, teamwork, and lasting memories.

Symphonic Band

Selection of students is based on advanced proficiency and balanced instrumentation. A variety of appropriate band literature is studied and performed. Rehearsals are held daily after the close of marching season. The Symphonic Band presents at least two concerts during the year and performs at various school and community functions.

Concert Band

Membership is open to students demonstrating intermediate proficiency on a band instrument. A variety of appropriate band literature is studied and performed. Rehearsals are held daily after the close of marching season. The Concert Band presents at least two concerts per year and performs at various school and community functions.

UAHS BANDS

Freshman Band

The Upper Arlington Freshman Band begins rehearsal in the fall after the conclusion of the marching season and offers an introductory level band experience specifically for 9th-grade students. This course will focus on foundational music skills and performance techniques helping students transition smoothly from middle school. Freshman Band would be a 1-year, daily class where students will study and perform a variety of band literature appropriate for their skill level. The course would also offer pedagogical support as students continue developing their musical abilities.

Pep Band

The Pep Band performs at several UAHS basketball home games and a hockey game every year. Pep Band is a voluntary group that occurs if enough students sign up to participate in a particular performance. The group meets for about 30 minutes before the game and performs music from the Marching Band repertoire and some new music.

Jazz Bands

Students have the option of participating in the Jazz Bands. Jazz Bands meets 2-3 times per week from 7:15–8:00 am. beginning after the conclusion of Marching Band and receives 0.5 credit. Jazz Bands consists of two groups: Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Lab. Membership in Jazz Ensemble is open, by audition or recommendation of the director, to musicians on the following instruments: trumpet, saxophone, trombone, guitar, bass, percussion and keyboard. Enrollment is limited by instrumentation. Music literature studied and performed includes jazz, rock, swing, pop, ballads, and fusion. Membership in Jazz Lab is open to students who are members in good standing of 1st period band. Jazz Lab focuses on learning the different fundamentals of different jazz styles and an introduction to the art of improvisation in an ensemble setting. Auditions for the rhythm section of Jazz Lab occur in late October or early November. All members in the Jazz Bands must participate in 1st period band with the exception of piano, guitar, and bass musicians. Although classes begin in November, grades and credits are posted for the 2nd quarter.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

- Regular class attendance
- Caring for instruments, lockers & uniforms
- Assisting with pre- and post-performance duties
- Performing at sporting events and graduation
- Professional behavior in or around the band room, school grounds and any event off school grounds. The UAMB uniform garnishes respect.
- Do your best is preparing your music for performances- Help is all around if you are willing to ask for it!



FAMILY EXPECTATIONS

Band is a team effort, and family involvement makes all the difference. Help once or help twice, Help all year would be really nice!

Fundraising = Savings

- Fundraising reduces every student's band fee.

*actual per student cost would be \$1,000 without it!

Volunteering Matters

- Volunteering keeps our program running smoothly—and it's a fun way to connect with other band families.



FAMILY EXPECTATIONS (CONT)

Why the Boosters ?

- A program this size needs support. Our Directors cannot do it alone. If you have a student in the program, you are a booster! Booster functions include:
- Fundraising
- Help student organization and flow.
- Communicate the needs of parents and students to directors
- UAHS Band Boosters is a 501(c)3 organization with an annual budget over \$95K

Time and Talent

- Volunteers help year round with everything from setup and teardown for events feeding kids, managing uniforms, hauling gear, planning and communicating
- Marching Band is moving 10% of UAHS at one time! Come on out to help make each event run smoothly



SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

We believe **every student** should have the chance to experience the joy of music. Please communicate as soon as possible with the director(s) if you have financial need or time constraints limiting participation due to other commitments.

Together, we can build a supportive and inclusive band family where every student thrives.



COSTS: BAND FEES

- Band fees \$450 if cash or check or [Pay Band Fees Online](#) - pay before August 4th
- Band fees Cover: Band camp, clinician fees, Spread meals, uniform upkeep, band camp t-shirt, first issue of accessories, drill writing, end-of-year banquet etc.

COSTS: INDIVIDUAL PURCHASES

- Summer Uniform - Must be ordered by June 1st to make the deadline for 4th of July Parade
- Primowear is our manufacturer
- The link to the store is [HERE](#) or you can use the QR code ----->
- Black calf-length socks
- Matte all--black shoes "Drillmaster" or "Dinkles" recommended



COSTS (OPTIONAL)

- Yard Sign - Information to follow later on this
- \$50 Optional School instrument fee through EZPAY - Helps with repairs during the year

REGISTRATION - DUE BY 13 JUNE

Why a second registration?

- Our registration is tailored to the student participation in Band
- We focus a lot on dietary needs of the students
- We also use the information for shirt sizes to order our band camp shirts
- We have a signup for a parent directory and we also have a sign up for our mentor program, both are completely optional.

The link can be found [HERE](#) or using the QR ----->



IMMEDIATE BOOSTER NEEDS

- Uniform Co-Chairs & assistants
- Fundraiser Co-Chairs & assistants
- Bus Chaperones - Must get a BCI Check
- Spread volunteers
- Band Camp Committe & Volunteers



FUNDRAISING

Our model is a cooperative fundraising model in alignment with IRS regulations for non-profit organizations.

- Some of our fundraisers include: Links Underlined
 - [Summer Car Wash \(Aug 2nd\)](#) - Please Share out ticket link
 - Digital Donuts (Krispy Kreme) \$10/DZ Gift Cards
 - [TruEarth Laundry detergent](#) - Recieve 20% of Online Sales
 - [Net Zero Company](#) - Receive 20% of Online Sales
 - Concessions with Athletic Boosters (Football & Basketball)
 - Concessions (BITS Cheerleading or other oportunities)
 - RaiseRight - Email Elaine Alicea for Invite code
 - [Swag Store](#) - Primowear
- We are registered with:
 - Benevity (Corporate Matching Donations, Microsoft Rewards)
 - Kroger Community Rewards



FUNDRAISING (CONT)

Flower sales - Spring, Mums & Winter
Sales partnered with Foertmeyer & Sons

- Each student has a link for incentives
- We receive about \$5 per item sold
- Spring is by far the largest
- We also partner with some small organizations like UAHS Fencing, UAHS Robotics and Hastings PTO
- We always need help on delivery day (May 16th at UAHS - You can sign up [HERE](#) or using QR
- If you wish to participate in the sale you can sign up [HERE](#)



SPRING
Flower Sale
HAPPENING NOW
THROUGH APRIL 9
PICK UP MAY 16



FUNDRAISING (CONT)

- Sponsorships are a new program with the band. Each student is encouraged to try to bring in \$100 of sponsors
- The link for Sponsorships can be found [HERE](#)

Upper Arlington High School Marching Band Sponsorship Program



UAMB Boosters 2025-2026

	Director	Drum Major	Squad Leader	Musician	Supporter	Friends & Family
	\$1500	\$1000	\$750	\$500	\$250	\$0-100
Name & Logo on Banner at Football Games	♪					
Recognition During One Home Game Halftime Show (limit 12)	♪	♪				
Name & Logo on Concert Slideshows	♪	♪	♪			
Logo and Link on UAMB Website for a Year	♪	♪	♪	♪		
Name on UAMB Website for a Year	♪	♪	♪	♪	♪	
Name in Concert Programs for a Year	♪	♪	♪	♪	♪	♪

We welcome all donation amounts - amounts given between levels will offer rewards at the lower level.

Summer 2025 Activities

Summer Percussion Schedule

Percussion students (K-row) are expected to attend summer sectionals when in town.

Percussion practices will be twice per week starting in June. Dates and time will be communicated out by the Section Leaders once coordinated with John Honeycutt



Summer 2025 Activities (Cont)

4th of July Rehearsal/Prep – 30 June – 4 July -

(Attendance is highly encouraged - please communicate if your student plans NOT to participate)

30 June – Practice Full band – 9-11am

1 July – Practice Full band – 9-11am

2 July – Practice Full band – 9-11am

3 July – Practice Full band – 5-7 PM

- Parent Meeting 6-7pm
- Parent preview 7:00pm

4 July – Report 0830 – Location TBD

- Parade start 0900
- Band Room open until 11:30 am for students to get their belongings.



ATTITUDE

Summer 2025 Activities (Cont)

Band Camp Fundamentals Week – 29 July – 2 Aug

29 July – Squad leaders only PAC

30 July – First Year and Leaders 9-12; 1-3pm

31 July – Full Band 9-12: 1-3pm

1 August – Full Band – Picture day

- Swim night
- Parent meeting during the pool activity

2 August - Car Wash (UA Municipal Center)

Band Camp Week – 4 August – 8 August

4 August – Full Band – Evening activity 1 (Game night at UAHS)

5 August – Full Band - Evening activity 2 (Movie night)

6 August – Full Band – No Eve Activity – Night off or activity with sections

7 August – Full Band – Bandquet (UA Bob Crane Community Center)

8 August – Full Band – Parent Preview (UAHS) - Snacks for Family after

(Attendance is highly encouraged - please communicate if your student plans NOT to participate)

Summer 2025 Activities (Cont)

Band Camp @ UAHS

- Band camp at UAHS
- August 4th 7 pm New Band Parent Social UAHS
- Transportation not provided
- Students learn Pre-Game and First Show
- Lunch covered by band fees and donations
- Sections tend to go to dinner afterwards (students led activity, bring \$)
- August 8th, 7pm Preview Performance for Parents

Summer 2025 Activities (Cont)

Band Camp - Sample Schedule

- 9:00 - 10am : Announcements and Indoor Rehearsal
- 10am - 12pm : Outdoor Rehearsal, 30 min Row time
- 12 - 1 pm : LUNCH provided by Boosters
- 1 - 1:20 pm : Indoor Music Rehearsal
- 1:30 - 3 pm : Sectionals with clinicians
- 3 - 5pm : Indoor or Outdoor Rehearsal
- 5 - 5-30pm : Music checks, individual practice time
- 5:30 - 7pm : DINNER (\$\$ Bring money for section dinner \$\$, optional)
- 7 - 9pm : Evening events
- **Snacks / Water & Gatorade will be served all day!**

Musician Fall Routines

Football season mornings

- be ready in position on the field daily at 7:30am

Away Friday football games:

- Students traditionally eat together after school then take the bus
- Return approx 10:30pm





Home Game Traditions

Sections organize breakfast and school arrival - Regular school day

Spread

- Students are fed a meal from band fees and donations
- Students perform at the high school for the community prior to the game
- Students must be inspection ready at about 6 pm.

Home Game Traditions (cont)

3rd Quarter Break

(snacks by fees and donations)

- After-game Huddle
- Put away uniforms and equipment

Optional After-game party (not sponsored by Boosters)

- hosted by a senior family
- chaperoned by parents
student responsible for getting
ride to and from party.
- Party ends no later than 11:30pm



Fall Activities

31 October - Possible Playoff

7 Nov - Possible Playoff

14 Nov - Possible Playoff

*Playoffs are Optional Participation

In addition to our games we have the following performances that we take part in each year.

- Golden Bear Bash (percussion, leaders and helpers) - August 31st
- Labor Day Arts Festival (Full Band) - September 1st
- UAMB Fall Concert - November 6th - (7:30pm in PAC)

2025 GOLDEN BEARS FOOTBALL

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
8/22 Anthony Wayne	8/29 Berlin	9/5 Reynoldsburg	9/12 New Albany	9/19 Central Crossing
WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10
9/26 Bradley	10/3 Liberty	10/10 Orange HOME / AWAY	10/17 Coffman	10/24 Davidson

White = Home Games

Yellow = Away Games

Parent Involvement

- *Come to Booster meetings - we love your input!
- *Chaperone away games
- *Fourth of July Parade hydration support
- *Fundraise- help organize or assist with fundraising
- *Donate/make food for 3rd qtr. snacks, spreads, band camp
- *Uniform help (hemming, fitting)
- *Home game food sales
- *Chair a committee
- *Assist with band camp activities



Spread the Word! Tell your friends and family about the amazing things our band is doing. Word-of-mouth support is invaluable!

Stay informed - CUTTIME

WHAT IS CUTTIME?

- CutTime is a fine arts education program management software

WHAT DOES IT DO?

- Helps families access communication, sign ups, financials & more all in one place

DO I HAVE TO USE CUTTIME?

- Yes. We need all students and parents to be registered in CutTime as its the Boosters main form of communication.
- Directors occasionally use it as well.

DO I HAVE TO DOWNLOAD AN APP?

- No. It is a web-based program
- We do recommend creating a bookmark on your phone.

WHAT DO I DO IF I NEED HELP WITH CUTTIME?

- We are here to help!
- Please reach out to Michael Geygan – uabandvicepresident@gmail.com

WHAT IS THE LINK FOR CUTTIME?

- Can be found [HERE](#)

Stay informed



Upper Arlington High School Band Program

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SOCIAL MEDIA FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM



Not sure which pages to follow?
Scroll through to learn about each of the
UAHS Band social media accounts.



Upper Arlington High School Band
[facebook.com/uahsband](https://www.facebook.com/uahsband)

This is our primary public Facebook page used to communicate events, opportunities, and celebrate all things UAHS Band.

Invite friends & family. Anyone can follow!




NEW!!
Linked to the Facebook page of the same name!

Upper Arlington High School Band
[uahsband](https://www.instagram.com/uahsband)

This is our primary public Instagram page used to communicate events, opportunities, and celebrate all things UAHS Band.

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FACEBOOK



New Name!

UAHS Band Students
[uahs_band_students](https://www.facebook.com/uahs_band_students)

This is the student- and director-run account used to communicate with and celebrate UAHS band students and build comradery.



Private Facebook Group:
UA Band Parents Connection

This private group on Facebook used to communicate events details, deadlines, reminders, and a forum for **current band parents** to reach out to one another with questions and needs. Membership is approved by executive board members.



Private Facebook Group:
Upper Arlington Marching Band Alumni

Once a Band Bear, always a Band Bear. This private group on Facebook helps keep our **alumni** connected! Membership is approved by fellow alumni.

INSTAGRAM



Upper Arlington Marching Band



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THANK YOU

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

QUESTIONS?



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Thanks for your support of the UAMB!

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