



2026-2027

**North Point Grizzly Band
Kickoff Event**

NORTH POINT
GRIZZLY BAND

Good Evening and Welcome!

Welcome to the North Point High School Grizzly Band! We are excited to have you be a part of the Grizzly Band!

Tonight's Action

Would love to have **contact and travel forms** filled out tonight at the meeting!

Why it Matters

Please make sure to complete these so that we have **up-to-date contact information** for the summer and for next school year.





The Staff

Mr. Pat O'Donnell

Director of Bands

Mr. David Aubuchon

Associate Director of Bands

Mr. Zachary O'Connor

Director of Color Guard

Ms. Megan Hinman

Color Guard Staff

Mr. Mark Ishman

Director of Percussion

Mr. Herrie Pullam

Associate Director of Percussion

Mr. Josiah Dierking

Percussion Staff

Who we are as the Grizzly Band

We are committed to creating a positive experience for our students. Being part of the North Point Band Program fosters **Pride, Passion, and Purpose** in everything that we do as a band family.

PRIDE

In yourself, and your performance.

PASSION

Allows you to overcome your challenges and move past negativity.

PURPOSE

Gives each movement, song, interaction, and conversation meaning.

We will be *relentless* in our Pursuit of excellence!





High School Band Program Components

Marching Band

August - October

* GRADED | # HONORS

Jazz Band

October - May

Concert Band

October - May

* GRADED | # HONORS

Pep Band

December - February

* GRADED | # HONORS

Color Guard

August - October

* GRADED FOR CLASS

Solo & Ensemble

November - April

GRADED FOR HONORS

Remember, **THIS IS A CLASS!** A fun and rewarding one.
Rising Seniors: Consider taking Band as an **Honors Course!**

What is Marching Band?



Marching Band

Marching band is part of the curriculum for band class, we perform at Football Games, community events, and compete in Marching Competitions from August to October.

These performances are based around a theme for the show each year. Themes in the past for North Point include:

- 2021-The Growl of the Grizzly
- 2022-Checkmate!
- 2023-Arabian Nights
- 2024-David: Story of an Underdog
- 2025-Spaghetti Serenade
- 2026-???

Marching band helps build a family feel with each other, and creates a positive experience for your student!



Drumline Tryouts

Drumline Tryouts will be in May
Tuesday Night
May 5 6:00-8:00pm



All percussionist interested in
both Pit percussion and
Drumline should attend.



Marching Band-Colorguard

No experience is necessary to join guard. Students in Color Guard will need to enroll in Band for 1st semester and will count as half of their Fine Arts Credit.

Color Guard utilizes Costumes, Dance, Flags, Rifles, and Sabres to help convey the theme of the show and tell the story.

Colorguard Impact Test Will Be May 11th
@2:30 in Library
Tryout is May 18-19 6-9pm.





Summer Rehearsals and Band Camp

Summer rehearsals are important for us this year so we can get the band together for everyone to know each other, and help us begin our musical journey.

We will start these rehearsals in June and July. Please double check your calendar. If there are conflicts please let us know.

We are NOT marching in the 4th of July parade this year. This is our MSHSAA Dead Week

Band Camp is held at North Point and will be held over two weeks:

Week 1: July 27 - 31st; will be held from 1pm-8pm.

Week 2: August 3- 7; will be held from 8am-3pm.

Students will need to bring their own lunch and gallon water jug each day! These 2 weeks are mandatory so we can put our show together for the fall season, and get students acclimated to our style!

We will have a parent preview the night of the 8th and an potluck picnic after our performance!

North Point Grizzly Band Schedule 2024-2025 School Year V 3.0

July 13 and 16 Music Rehearsal 6-8pm NP Band Room

July 20 and 23 Music Rehearsal 6-8pm NP Band Room

July 27 through 31st BAND CAMP-MANDATORY 1pm-8pm

AUG 3 through 7 BAND CAMP-MANDATORY 8am-3pm

August 7 5th Annual Band Camp Parent Preview and Picnic 6pm

August 25 Early Morning Rehearsals start 6:30 am before school

ALL Night Rehearsals will be WEDNESDAY for Sept, and Tuesday for October,

Football Games and Dates

Sep 11 vs. Poplar Bluff

Sep 18 vs FZE

Oct. 2 vs FZN

Oct 9 vs Washington HOCO

Oct 23 vs Caruthersville

Oct 30 vs District Playoff Game

Homecoming Dance Oct 10th -WSD PARADE

No competition date on Homecoming Dance.

Marching Competitions

8/22-Timberland Percussion Competition

9/26- Lafayette Contest of Champions

10/3-Greater St. Louis

10/17-Quincy Octoberfest

10/24-Marquette Contest

WENTZVILLE SHOWCASE 10/21 @ Timberland



Daily Practice Schedule once school starts

MONDAYS- Music Inside 6:30 am

TUESDAYS Block Day -OUTSIDE REHEARSAL at FIELD @6:30am

WEDNESDAY-Nothing in Morning

WEDNESDAY NIGHT REHEARSALS 6-9pm

THURSDAY- Outside Rehearsal @6:30 am

FRIDAYS-Outside Rehearsal @6:30am



Booster Fee and what it covers

We are THRILLED that your son or daughter has chosen to be a part of the 2026-2027 North Point Grizzly Band!

We are currently building a reputation for excellence in all aspects of our band program.

The school district provides money for a portion of the expenses incurred by our band/colorguard, such as; School owned instruments, buses for travel, and drumline and guard instruction for a portion of the year. However, the school district is unable to provide all of the funding needed to support a quality band program such as ours. Fundraising and direct payments are necessary to cover all additional expenses.



Band Fees Continued

In order to continue to provide a quality program, each band and colorguard student will be assessed the fees. These fees cover a number of things needed for us to be able to provide the best experience for our students. These are things that the school does not cover. New Band and Guard members will be provided a pair of marching shoes with their band fees.



Why?

Band Fees cover a variety of needs in our band program and our Fall Show:
These include, and not limited to:

- Music
- Drill
- Costumes and Uniforms
- Props
- Printed Flags
- Staff (Visual Tech, Percussion Director, Percussion Tech, Guard Tech)
- Leadership Development
- Meals, drinks, and snacks at Competitions (4 meals x 50+ students and staff)
- Renting Trucks/Trailers
- Uniform supplies
- Uniform Cleaning
- Band shoes
- Band Show Shirts
- Instrument, and Tech needs, and more, so much more.



Other District's Band Fees

School A: \$750

We pride ourselves in being financially responsible.

School B: \$725

For this year we are asking:

School C: \$900

\$650 for Band and Guard



Fees-Continued

Payment Plans- Putting in \$650 is expensive to do all in one chunk. We would ask for you to pay \$300 on July 1, to secure your spot in the Show and we can purchase music and begin writing the drill.

\$300-July 1

\$150-August 1st

\$100-September 1st

\$100- October 1st

**We ask fees paid in full
By October 15th.**

Our Band Booster organization is top notch and has made it EASY
For everyone to be able to pay
through the Band website
www.npband.boosterhub.com



Fundraising Opportunities

We will do a variety of fundraising activities this year to help with both the Booster General Funds and paying down the students fees. The more the fundraising the students do, the less that has to come out of pocket.

Fundraisers Include:

RaiseRight

Show-Me Dough (Butter Braids)

Wreath Sales

Car Washes in the Summer

Dine to Donate

SpiritWear Sales

Etc.

If payments are a concern please reach out via email to treasurer.npbb@gmail.com and patrickodonnell@wsdr4.org and let us know. We are flexible and want all of our students to be able to participate in band this year.



Band Booster Organization

The Band Boosters will be responsible for helping me create a truly positive band experience for you. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Parents help us with many, many, many projects to get us functioning on the field and behind the scenes.

- Fundraising
- Pit Percussion Moving
- Uniform Fitting
- Food Prep for Competitions
- Hauling Trailers or Budget Trucks
- Prop Building
- Prop Moving
- Organizing events and Trips for Band
- Band Banquet
- Spirit Wear
- Assisting the Directors with what is needed to help the band function smoothly for the benefit of the students.

Boosters Continued

You can be a vital part of our booster organization, just by coming to the meetings and helping out at Football Games, and Competitions. This is the easiest spot to meet other families and make new friends! Our Next Meeting will be in June!. We hope that you will volunteer to join in some capacity to help our students be successful.



Committees part 1

Hospitality Committee	Help coordinate volunteers to help at the various functions the band participates in. At home games, will delegate the tasks of marking off bleachers, preparing water coolers and cart, with cups, trash bags, etc. For away events, will help coordinate chaperones and volunteers to help with all functions not covered by other committees.
Equipment & Transportation Committee	Maintain & construct props for performances and shelves/storage etc.
	This committee could be responsible for overall planning and coordination for volunteers to load/unload and transport equipment to and from events, and on/off the field for performances.

Committees part 2

Food Committee	Plan, coordinate & oversee food, drinks, and snacks for band members when away trips and for home event such as end of year banquet.
Uniform Committee	Inventory, issuing, maintenance and repair of band uniforms.
Archive Committee	This committee is responsible for documenting all activities of the various band programs and maintaining a record of awards and achievements. The committee will also compile a photographic record of the band and booster throughout the year and assist in compiling Senior Books at the end of the school year.
Ways & Means/Fundraising	Overall planning and coordination of fundraising to support the activities of the band.



Parent/Guardian Volunteering

We will need you to register with the school district in order to help out on Competition Days or Friday nights around our students. Some of you may already have done this for Elementary or Middle School, but please check to make sure you are on the list for Volunteering.

Parent Volunteer Site: <https://www.wentzville.k12.mo.us/Page/10282>



MSHSAA PHYSICALS AND REGISTRATION

You Must Register with the North Point Activities Department in their online registration system. This is a full registration for new members, and a renewal for returning members. You must get this completed after July 1, When the new year turns over. Returning members that did this last year must relog in and update their info and if need be physicals for the new school year.

www.northpointgrizzliesactivities.com click on More, and then Athletic Registration IT should take you here:
<https://northpoinths-ar.schooltoday.com/>



PLEASE USE THE WEBSITE TO REGISTER

It has all the information you need for Physicals, and
Registration!

Once again it is:

<https://northpoinths-ar.rschooltoday.com/>

North Point Grizzly Band Facebook and Twitter



Our Facebook page is North Point High School Grizzly Band



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Instagram is [@north_point_band](https://www.instagram.com/north_point_band)

WEBSITE: www.npband.boosterhub.com

Our X (Twitter) handle is [@NPHSGrizzlyBand](https://twitter.com/NPHSGrizzlyBand)

I will post the latest news and announcements here!





Final Thoughts

Thank you families for letting us take a little time out of your evening! I know we are all busy, and I appreciate you all carving out a little time for us.

If you know of anyone that is coming to North Point that is not in band, and they should be, please let me know so I can reach out to them and invite them to be part of our family. Email me at patrickodonnell@wsdr4.org.

Students and Parents, you must fill out the information for BoosterHub, and we have volunteers here who can help you!

Thank you again for your time! Are there any questions?