



Dear Incoming Freshman,

Congratulations on nearly completing your 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. We have heard your band play and have been very impressed with your musical talents and commitment. We would like to welcome you to audition for the 2015 Marching Firebirds. The purpose of the audition is for us to get to know you and to make sure that your level of performance on your instrument will be adequate to be successful in our marching band. Most of you that have been successful in your 8<sup>th</sup> grade band should have the ability to have a great time in our marching band. Your band directors will have audition music for you to start preparing for auditions.

Attached is a copy of the full schedule for the marching band season. The website also has an even more detailed schedule available. The basic marching band season includes performances at home football games, 5 marching competitions, and a trip to Cedar Point near the end of the season. Every three years we take a major trip, like the one we just completed to California for the Rose Parade.

You can audition on whatever instrument you usually play in class. The marching band does have most instruments you normally play in band including Bass Clarinet and Bari Saxophone. If you play horn, baritone, or tuba audition on your concert instrument and you will be given a school marching version of those instruments if you are in the group. Ask your band director specific instrument questions. Percussion will go through their own special audition process working with Mr. Racic. If you are interested in color guard those auditions will be announced a little later in the year. You can audition for both band and color guard and choose later which you would like to do.

We look forward to getting the chance to meet you and work with you in marching band and freshman bands in the coming months. The Lakota West Band Program is one of the finest in the country and we can't wait to have you be a part of it!

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**Audition Time-** Tuesday, April 14- 6:30-8pm in the Lakota West Band Room

Lakota West High School

8940 Union Centre Blvd.

- **At 6:30pm meet in the Lakota West Band Room, enter the school from the back for direct access to the band room (Door 11). We will do quick introductions and answer any questions that you may have. Following that short meeting we will go in volunteer order, meeting with each student for about 2 minutes. Once you are finished playing you are free to leave.**

# Marching Band Dates for 2015

*July 16- Leadership Team only- Leadership Retreat*

July 20-24 Pre-Band Camp T-R 7am-4pm - M/F- 7am-12pm

**July 26- Bowling Night- Fairfield Bowl 7-9pm**

**July 27-31- Band Camp 7am- 9pm F- Band Camp Performance 7pm  
(Band Camp Schedule w/ Pool night, movie etc. available later)**

Aug 3-7- Post Camp T-R 7am-4pm - M/F- 7am-12pm

Aug 11-12 Practice 1-5pm (Aug 12- Picture at 10am)

Aug 13- First Day of School (Marching Band- 7pm)

Aug 14- Practice 3-5:30pm

*Regular weekly practice is M- 7-9 T- 3-4 W- 3-5:30 R- 7-9*

Sept. 4- Home Football vs. Elder (Freshman Night)

*Sept 12- Tag Day*

Sept 18- Home Football vs. Princeton

Sept 19- Tipp City Competition

Sept 26- Hamilton Competition

Oct 2- Home Football vs Middletown (Band Senior Night)

Oct 3- OSU Competition

*Oct 9- Free for the 4 day weekend!*

**Oct 16- Cedar Point trip with competition at Perkins HS (Fri-Sun)**

Oct 23 Home Football vs Sycamore- Homecoming

Oct 30 Away Football @ East

Oct 31 State Competition in Columbus

Nov 5 Marching Band Concert

\*Possibility of playoff games on Fridays or Saturdays in Nov.

Check [lakotawestbands.org](http://lakotawestbands.org) for the full electronic calendar and specific announcements

Charms.com with your login

**Please Return This Form to your Teacher**  
***Marching Band 2015***

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Concert Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Marching Instrument (only if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

If there is a conflict with the audition date please contact Andrew Carr  
[Andrew.carr@lakotaonline.com](mailto:Andrew.carr@lakotaonline.com) and arrange an alternate time for the  
audition.

# Marching Band Audition for 2015

Flute

Moderato

*mf* *f*

6

Tpt/ Cl

Bn TC

Moderato

*mf* *f*

6

Bass Cl

Moderato

*mf* *f*

6

Alto/ Bari Sax

Moderato

*mf* *f*

6

Moderato

Tenor Sax



*mf* *f*

The Tenor Sax part is written in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats and a 4/4 time signature. It features a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, including slurs and accents. The dynamics range from mezzo-forte (mf) to forte (f).



A second staff for the Tenor Sax, showing a whole rest on a single note.

Moderato

Horn in F



*mf* *f*

The Horn in F part is written in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats and a 4/4 time signature. It features a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, including slurs and accents. The dynamics range from mezzo-forte (mf) to forte (f).



A second staff for the Horn in F, showing a whole rest on a single note.

Moderato

Tbn/ Bn



*mf* *f*

The Tbn/ Bn part is written in a bass clef with a key signature of two flats and a 4/4 time signature. It features a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, including slurs and accents. The dynamics range from mezzo-forte (mf) to forte (f).



A second staff for the Tbn/ Bn, showing a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, including slurs and accents. The dynamics range from piano (p) to mezzo-forte (mf).

Moderato

Tuba



*mf* *f*

The Tuba part is written in a bass clef with a key signature of two flats and a 4/4 time signature. It features a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, including slurs and accents. The dynamics range from mezzo-forte (mf) to forte (f).



A second staff for the Tuba, showing a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes, including slurs and accents. The dynamics range from piano (p) to mezzo-forte (mf).