

Winter 2022

Greetings, Musicians of the Class of 2027!

The **NCHS and NCWHS Bands** are nationally-recognized, and they have established longstanding traditions of excellence! We look forward to having you as a part of the Unit 5 High School Bands!

The high schools are home to concert bands that meet during the school day, a competitive extracurricular marching band, jazz bands, and a number of other musical opportunities.

To enroll in high school band, sign up for *Concert Winds*. All students who played in junior high band are eligible to play next year, even if you are not currently enrolled in eighth grade band.

Each band student will play an audition to determine ensemble placement and part assignments. Students are not "cut" as a result of auditions, so please do not stress over this process. This is an opportunity for us to meet you and answer your questions about high school band! You will play as many major scales as you know as well as your choice of band music, ILMEA music, or solo and ensemble music. Due to the complexity of the high school scheduling process, band placements for next year will most likely not be finalized until the end of this school year. These one on one Audition sessions will be held in January or early February, and the audition scheduling process will be shared in the new year. In the meantime, sign up for Concert Winds to save a spot for band in your schedule. We look forward to meeting with you!



Normal West Bands Website

nwbands.org

Orientation Information

tinyurl.com/band2027

Band Instagram

@normalwestbands
or [instagram.com/normalwestbands](https://www.instagram.com/normalwestbands)

Contact

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Normal Community Bands Website

ironmenbands.org

Orientation Information

tinyurl.com/nchsbands27

Band Instagram

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What is the NMB? (Video)

tinyurl.com/whatisnmb

Normal Marching Band Website:

normalmb.org

NMB Orientation Information:

tinyurl.com/nmb27

Marching Band Instagram:

@normalmarchingband
or [instagram.com/normalmarchingband](https://www.instagram.com/normalmarchingband)

We look forward to having you in high school band! -Mr. Budzinski and Mr. Carter