

Pope Band Notes

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FROM THE DIRECTORS PODIUM

It's time to finalize numbers for Competition Marching Band. Please make final contacts with incoming freshmen and encourage them to give it a try! The students in this group tend to be the most connected, have the most fun, and rise to the top faster than those who only participate in class.

We are looking ahead to some exciting Wind Symphony performances next year. We are confirmed to perform at Carnegie Hall in March. As we discussed prior to auditions, we expect all members of the group to travel and perform. Since we did not hear from any families prior to audition results being posted, we assumed that everyone understood and were on board. It is not the type of concert where you can take a portion of the band and expect to be of the same standard as the other groups there. Please understand that we have to look out for the integrity of the ensemble... we can't pull players out for the trip and just leave gaps in our sound. If your family can't meet the performance obligation, then Symphonic Band is your best alternative. If that can't work, there will have to be alternative assignments during the preparation process for any student not planning to perform. Please make every effort to be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Remember: There will be NO ACCESS to the campus/band room over the summer. Plan accordingly to have all instruments, music, etc. when you leave on the last day of school. Looking forward to a great summer break and a smooth start to 2017–18!



DATES TO KNOW

Check PopeBand.com
for the full band calendar.

MAY

- 13: Mattress Sale Fundraiser 10 a.m.–5 p.m., Pope Cafeteria
- 15: Percussion Auditions 5 p.m.–7 p.m.
Rookie Camp 5 p.m.–7 p.m.
- 17: Percussion Auditions 5 p.m.–7 p.m.
Rookie Camp 5 p.m.–7 p.m.
- 18: Color Guard Auditions 5 p.m.–8 p.m.,
Sandy Plains Baptist Church Gym
- 19: Band Banquet—Doors Open 6:15 p.m.,
Mt. Zion UMC, Johnson Ferry Rd.

JULY

- 17–21: Band Camp 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Friday Night Band 6 p.m.–7 p.m.
- 18 & 20: Mandatory Fun Night 9 p.m.–11 p.m.
- 24–26: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.
- 31: First Day of School
CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

AUGUST

- 1–2: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.
- 4: FNB practice (includes CMB) 4–5 p.m.
- 7–9: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.
- 11: FNB practice (includes CMB) 4–5 p.m.
- 12: Recycling Day 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- 14–16: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.
- 18: FNB practice (includes CMB) 4–5 p.m.
- 19: CMB practice 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
- 21–23: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.
- 25: @ Lassiter HS*
- 28–30: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 1: vs. Walton HS*
- 4: NO SCHOOL—No rehearsal
- 5–6: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.
- 8: vs. Johns Creek HS*
- 11–13: CMB practice 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

*FNB practices 4–5 p.m. before
every game (includes CMB)

MATTRESS SALE

MAY 13TH — 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
POPE CAFETERIA

Buy the new mattress you've been waiting to purchase, **save 30–50% off retail prices**, and money raised will support the band program as well as an opportunity to **raise money for individual band accounts!** There will be a complete mattress showroom with more than 20 displays in the cafeteria featuring name brand options in different sizes and costs. All students should have received flyers for the sale. The flyer can be downloaded from the [Mattress Sale page](#) on the band website. If a customer buys a mattress and has an advertising flyer with your child's name on it, fundraising money will go directly to your child's student account. Sheet sets will also be on sale. These are luxurious double brushed microfiber sheets. All sizes are \$40 a set. Please help us have a successful fundraising event—join us and spread the word!!

BAND/GUARD REGISTRATION FOR THE 2017–18 SCHOOL YEAR



It was great to see so many families at our Registration night on Monday, May 8th! If you were unable to join us, please complete the online [registration form](#) which can be found at www.PopeBand.com. Print out the Activity Fee invoice, and send that along with your payment to: Pope High School Band, 3001 Hembree Road, Marietta, GA 30062. Alternatively, your student can put the completed invoice and payment in the white box in the band room. **We are hoping to get all registrations in before the end of the school year! Whether you are only taking band as a class, participating in Friday Night Band or Competition Marching Band (including Guard) we need you to complete the online registration and send in your activity fees.** We're looking forward to a new school year and welcoming our 9th grade students and parents to the Band/Guard family! Please contact Karen Anderson (kbanderson3@gmail.com) with any questions.

COLOR GUARD AUDITIONS

THURSDAY, MAY 18

5 p.m.–8 p.m.

Sandy Plains Baptist Church Gym

Auditions are open to any student attending Pope High School for the 2017–18 school year. Be sure to wear tennis shoes and something you can move in. All you need is a great attitude and the willingness to try something new. We hope to see you there!

RECYCLING RECAP

The Earth Day recycling event held on April 22nd was another HUGE success! Here are some numbers:

\$8,577 – Money raised for the band! 1,483 cans of paint, 100 TV's, 33 computer monitors and tons of paper, electronics, metal and other random stuff were recycled! 357 cars came through our parking lot!

Dozens of AMAZING parents and students helped make this important fundraiser a success!

Thank you to everyone who participated, from the veteran band families to the newer members of our team. It couldn't have been done without you!

PINE STRAW SUCCESS

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make this spring's pine straw sale a success! We earned over \$1200 for the band, thanks to each of you that purchased pine straw, distributed flyers, or advertised on social media.

MATTRESS AND SHEET SALE — SAT. MAY 13TH

AMERICAN FLAGS FUNDRAISER

Help needed for the Pope Band Flag Fundraiser!

Over the five major patriotic holidays we place American flags in front yards of our subscribers. This is a great opportunity for you and your teen to help out with placement and then pick-up of the flags. Our next dates will be to put out the flags for Memorial Day on May 20th or 21st with pick up on May 31st or June 1st. We also have some behind-the-scenes opportunities which can be done on your own schedule.

Please let us know when you are available. Contact Anne Jeffres and Julie Miller at popebandflags@gmail.com.

Thanks for your support!

BAND BANQUET — FRIDAY MAY 19 MT. ZION UMC

Please join us for our annual band banquet which will be held **Friday, May 19th** at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church on Johnson Ferry Road. **Doors open at 6:15 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.** After dinner, we will move to the Sanctuary for the acknowledgements and awards, which always include a few laughs and a few tears, followed by the announcement of the 2017–18 leadership team and drum majors.

The tickets are \$20 per person and the last day to turn in money for tickets is Friday, May 12th. Tickets will not be sold at the door. [Order forms](#) are available in the band room and on PopeBand.com.

We would love to see all band members (concert, marching and guard) and their families to celebrate the wonderful year we've had.

Band yearbooks will be distributed at the end of the banquet, to students who placed an order before spring break.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Val Bippert at valbippert@comcast.net or Sandi Davis at balsky@mindspring.com.

XPLOSION!

The students and directors did it again! Last week's two performances of XPlosion! were amazing! Congratulations to everyone who participated and thank you to all of our parent volunteers who helped make the evenings so successful! If you would like to own a professionally recorded DVD and/or CD of the show, please go to the band website under the Resources menu for the [XPLOSION! DVD/CD](#) order form and send it in with your payment to either the white box in the band room or mail your payment to the school at Pope High School Band, 3001 Hem-bree Road, Marietta, GA 30062.

50/50 RAFFLE

Thank you to those who supported our 50/50 raffle fundraiser at XPlosion! by buying or selling tickets! We sold \$632 in tickets and one lucky winner, Suzanne Alea, won \$316 in cash.



We'll have 2 more raffles during the football season: 9/1 vs Walton (1st home game) and 10/6 vs Alpharetta (Homecoming). Look for your chance to help with these fun raffles when the new school year begins.

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