

GLENOAK BANDS

1801 Schneider St NE
Canton, Ohio 44721

Welcome to the GlenOak Marching Band!

May 19, 2025

We're excited to kick off the 2025 marching season with you as a member of the Golden Eagle Marching Band! You will find information about fees, schedule, uniforms, and summer band inside. As you look through this schedule, planning is the most important part of the performance process for next year. Time goes by very quickly and it's vital to look ahead and plan for upcoming events.

To stay informed, we do have a Remind 101 which you can subscribe. Text @25goband to 81010. In addition to Remind 101, our band website is WWW.GOHSBAND.COM. If you subscribed to our Remind 101 for band last year, you need to sign up again for 2025-2026. *The district will be transitioning to ParentSquare in the near future. When this replaces Remind 101, we will notify you and provide instructions on how to register for ParentSquare.*

Grading Policy

Individual band grades are determined by Participation in Rehearsals/Performances and Individual Music Assessments. Grades are put into one of three categories worth the following:
Rehearsals are 20%; Performances are 30%; Performance Assessments are 50%

Performance Assessments (aka Music Checks):

All GlenOak Bands are graded performance organizations. Successful performances rely 100% on everyone's ability to learn their music. We assess all students in small groups over each song required for pregame and our halftime shows. Each tested song is worth 10 Points with a passing score being 8/10. We do allow students to retest their music for a higher score within the testing "window." Retesting deadlines are listed on the last page. If a student fails to test an adequate amount of music by the deadlines for each show, he/she will be moved to Alternate Status for the next halftime show.

Late assessments will be reduced by 10% for each day past the due date. Excused absences are exempt from the reduction.

Attendance Policy

Attendance at rehearsals and performances (both in school and after school) are mandatory and part of the class. Participating in band is a graded course and your attendance is part of that grade. This includes summer rehearsals. Along with that, you are also part of a team where your attendance is necessary for the success of the entire group. The rest of the band is counting on you. We reserve the right to remove you from a performance if you have excused/unexcused absences from practices or performances causing you to not be ready for a performance. *Our policy for excusing for rehearsal/performance follows the same guidelines as excusing you from school.*

- All performance absences must be approved (unless emergency) by a director at least 3 weeks before the date of absence.
- Rehearsal absences are a minimum of 2 weeks in advance. The earlier the better! Summer absences are no exception. In the event of an emergency, you can notify Mr. Irwin at 491-3937 (band office) or email irwinc@plainlocal.org. Please report all advance absences on the Google Form at www.gohsband.com.

Student Athletes: It's very important that you copy your athletic schedule, highlight conflicts, and discuss with a director. Participating in band and a sport is very "do-able" as long as you plan. We always equally split time for practices/rehearsals with your respective team. For the most part, our rehearsals and performances do not conflict. However, we must know when you are missing rehearsal and any performances in advance according to the 2-3 week guidelines listed above. The key to making this work is advance communication.

Alternates:

Alternate performers are students not meeting eligibility requirements to perform on the performance field. These may include not testing music, extremely low testing scores, and missing mandatory rehearsals/performances. Every situation is different and approached in that manner. Alternate performers may be asked to fill in open spots on the field if progress is made in the area(s) of deficiency.

Band Expenses

Below is a detailed list of all marching band-related expenses and when (approx.) these fees will be due. Should you anticipate needing financial assistance to pay these fees, please contact Mr. Irwin at irwinc@plainlocal.org or 330-491-3937.

1. PLIMPA Marching Band Fee

\$90 for New HS Band Members, \$70 for Returning Band Members, and \$35 for Returning Color Guard.

This fee is due by June 2, 2025 and covers the following marching band expenses for the year. This fee can be paid by check or cash and mailed to: PLIMPA, Po Box 8748, Canton, Ohio 44711 You can also pay by credit card at www.gohsband.com

Fee covers the following:

Uniform cleanings for the entire year; Band camp instructional staff; Band T-Shirt for New Members and Band shorts for New Band Members (included in your \$90 fee)

2. Uniform Accessories

Students purchase uniform accessories during the week of July 14th at their uniform fitting appointment or after designated marching band rehearsals that week. Appointments can be made at www.gohsband.com

New band students will need to purchase the following items (except Color Guard & Majorettes):

Band shoes	\$36	[1 pair needed]
Spats for shoes	\$15	[1 pair needed]
Black gloves	\$5/pair	[suggested to purchase 2 pair]
Green baret for tuba players	\$15	

The above items are also available for returning members. Should a returning member need to purchase a new black band shirt (\$10) or green shorts (\$20), you can do this at your uniform fitting. If new shoes need to be ordered, this must be done during the uniform fitting week. Spats and gloves can also be purchased before any marching band performance in the PLIMPA ER (Emergency Repair) room.

Uniforms

Uniform fittings will occur at the high school on the following dates: July 14-16, 2025

You can sign up for an appointment at www.gohsband.com *No student is permitted to take a band uniform for alterations.* Make-up uniform fittings will most likely occur on Tuesday, July 22nd after band practice.

Shoes, spats, and gloves are fitted and sold at the time of uniform fitting (see prices above). All band students will be required to wear the approved black marching shoes provide their own black socks (calf height). All other brands except for shoes purchased through PLIMPA are unacceptable and not considered uniform. Previous band shoes are okay. Returning band members: If you use shoes, spats, and/ or gloves from last year, make sure they look new. We take great pride in our band uniform. Take care of it because it represents all of us. *Replacement uniform cost is \$625.00.*

Instruments & Lockers

All students need working instruments for rehearsal and performances. This includes having reeds, oil, etc. If you are borrowing a school-owned instrument, any damage done to the instrument will be your financial responsibility.

All students will be provided a school locker which you must provide your own combination lock. No Lock=No Locker. Any student using a school-owned instrument is responsible for the instrument. Lockers must be kept clean at all times and sharing lockers is prohibited.

Music

You are responsible for all music received. The GlenOak Marching Band memorizes all music for performances except stand tunes. Required dates for memorization of each song is listed below. There will be daily opportunities to test off music in July and August. This will occur in small groups. Please see deadlines below. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL PRACTICES START IN JULY TO BEGIN MEMORIZATION!** Both Pregame and Halftime #1 will be performed MEMORIZED by the first football game. You need to purchase a lyre and flip folder to use at all rehearsals.

Pregame Music by July 23

- *GOMB Warm-Up
- *On Eagles and Screaming Eagles (GO Fight Song)
- *GO Alma Mater
- *Star Spangled Banner
- My Prerogative

Halftime #1 Music by July 31

- Separate Ways (Opener)
- Don't Stop Believing
- Open Arms
- Any Way You Want It (Closer)

Retesting can occur anytime starting July 14 through August 7. There will be no retesting of Pregame or Halftime #1 after August 7.

*Students who earned a 10/10 on Pregame (On Eagles & Screaming Eagles, Alma Mater, Warm Up, and Star Spangled Banner) do not have to test those pregame songs in 2025. A list will be posted in the band room.

Majorettes/Color Guard Instrumentalists taking band for credit: Must test "On Eagles/Screaming Eagles" and "Alma Mater." Members must also select 1 song per halftime show to test by the publicized deadlines.

Final Forms

Please make sure you update your contact and medical information in Final Forms.

If you have an Inhaler or EpiPen that must be carried during any band function, you must fill out the attached form and have it signed by your physician.

The Authorization for Nonprescribed Medication form can be used if you would like to permit the teaching staff to administer over-the-counter medications (Tylenol, Advil, etc).

Band Rehearsals

Band rehearsals are mandatory. If you are missing any rehearsals this summer, you need to meet with a director. See *Alternate* information on page 1.

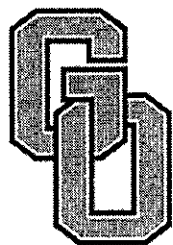
Successful performances begin with successful rehearsals. Attendance at practices and coming prepared is a must to have a great band. All pregame and halftime #1 music will be tested during our July and August rehearsals. Music memorization is not something in which you can be successful by procrastinating. It is essential that your music practicing not end when you leave rehearsal each day. The schedule is designed to provide full band marching and music rehearsal PLUS time for sectional work.

Music must be tested by the deadlines assigned. If you want to be written into Halftime Show #2, test your Pregame music on time. No retesting of Pregame or Halftime 1 will occur after August 7.

We will provide regular water breaks throughout the rehearsal. Please dress for the weather, including the use of sun block! We will be planning some fun activities during the months of July and August. Once we have this schedule completed, we will provide you a schedule! Lastly, we are excited that you are becoming a member of the **2025 Golden Eagle Marching Band!** You are in for an exciting and rewarding experience.

On Eagles!

Mr. Irwin (irwinc@plainlocal.org), Mrs. Laux (lauxe@plainlocal.org), and Mrs. Giotta (giottak@plainlocal.org)
Band Office: 330-491.3937 WWW.GOHSBAND.COM



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June

2 & 3 (Mon & Tue)	Sectional Rehearsals Flute, Clarinet, Alto Sax, Mellophone Trumpet, Trombone, Tenor Sax, Baritone, Tuba Drumline	9:00-10:30 AM 10:30 AM-12:00 PM 1:00-2:30 PM
4 (Wed)	Section Leader Meeting	9:00-11:00 AM

July

14-18 (M-F)	Full Band Rehearsals (minus drumline)	8:00 AM-12:00 PM
14-18 (M-F)	Drumline Rehearsals (lunch break 12-12:45 PM)	8 AM-12 PM & 12:45-2:30 PM
14-18 (M-W)	Uniform Fittings <small>Times/Dates are by appointment, Sign-up Genius at gohsband.com in May .</small>	By Appointment
21-25 (M-F)	Full Band Rehearsal	8:00 AM-12:00 PM
28-31 (M-Th)	Full Band Rehearsal	6:00-8:30 PM

August

1 (F)	Band Photos	8:00-11:00 AM
2 (Sat)	2025 Hall of Fame Parade	5:45 AM-10:00 AM
5-7 (Tue-Th)	Full Band Rehearsal	6:00-8:30 PM
11-14 (M-Th)	Full Band Rehearsal	6:00-8:30 PM
18-20 (M-W)	Full Band Rehearsal	6:00-8:30 PM
20 (W)	5 th Grade Band Recruitment Performance	1:00-3:30 PM
22 (F)	GO vs Dover (Home)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO
25 (M)	Start of weekly after school rehearsals on Mondays	2:30 PM-4:00 PM
29 (F)	GO vs Massillon (Away)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO

September

1 (M)	<i>Labor Day – No rehearsal</i>	
6 (Sat)	GO vs Clev. Academy (Home at Tom Benson)	10:00 AM/12 PM KO
8 (M)	Monday after school rehearsal resumes	2:30 PM-4:00 PM
10 (W)	Full Band Rehearsal in stadium	6:00-8:00 PM
12 (F)	GO vs McKinley (Away)	5:30 PM/7:00 PM KO
13 (Sat)	Stow Band Show	5:15 PM/7 PM Start
19 (F)	GO vs Lake (Home – Senior Night HT/Alumni Pre)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO
23 (Tue)	Full Band Rehearsal in stadium	6:00-8:00 PM
26 (F)	GO vs Hoover (Home)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO

October

3 (F)	GO vs Green (Away)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO
10 (F)	GO vs Jackson (Homecoming/8 th Grade Night)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO
13 (M)	<i>No School – No rehearsal</i>	
14 (Tue)	Marching Band Concert Dress Rehearsal	2:30 PM-5:00 PM
15 (W)	2025 GO Marching Band Concert	6:15 PM/7:00 PM
17 (F)	GO vs Mansfield (Home)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO
24 (F)	GO vs Perry (Away)	5:15 PM/7:00 PM KO

Potential Play-Off Games: Fridays Oct. 31, Nov. 7, Nov. 14, Nov. 21, Nov. 28, Dec. 5

Notes:

- Band buses from the high school to all band shows and away games.
- Times are listed as Report Time / Performance Start Time in the right column.
- We reserve the right to add additional performances or modify the schedule if necessary.

Band Department Attendance Policy:

-For an absence to be excused, you must report a rehearsal absence 2 weeks in advance and a performance absence 3 weeks in advance. Marching band absences can be reported in advance using the Google Absence Form posted in our Google Classroom or gohsband.com

-Exceptions to this policy for sickness, family emergency, etc can be made at the discretion of the directors. Work is not an excused absence.

-Student athletes are expected to work out plans for practices and performances when conflicts exist.

Plain Local Schools

Certification of Authorization for Administration of Over-the-Counter Medication

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Student's Last Name:	Student's First Name:	Student's Middle Name:
Street Address:		City:
School:	Grade:	Birth Date:
Emergency Telephone Number(s):		

Does this student have any allergies to foods or medication? Yes No

If so, please list: _____

Over-The-Counter Medication

The Plain Local Schools staff members accompanying students on the trip will have the following medications available.

Please review the list and INITIAL next to the medication that you consent to be administered to your child.

All dosages will be based on recommended manufacturer packaging instructions.

Parent Initial	Medication	Parent Initial	Medication
	Acetaminophen (ex. Tylenol)		Ibuprofen (ex. Motrin)
	Antibacterial Ointment (ex. Neosporin)		Antacids (ex. Tums, Maalox, Mylanta)
	Cough Drops/Throat Lozenges		Topical Corticosteroids (ex. Hydrocortisone Cream)
	Motion Sickness Medication (ex. Bonine)		Antihistamine (ex. Benadryl)
	If there are other OTC medications that your child might need, Please <u>list them below</u> and <u>initial</u> the box (Note: <u>Parent</u> is responsible for providing medication indicated)		

Parent Guardian Authorization

Authorization to administer the above listed over-the-counter medication lasts for the duration of July-Nov.

With full knowledge of emergencies, dangers, and risks related to the administration of such medication by Plain Local Schools' district employees, officers, or agents, we the undersigned, hereby waive all claims, which might arise from the said administration of such medication to said minor child and the results thereof. We agree to indemnify and hold harmless Plain Local Schools' employees, officers, or agents, from any and all liability relative to the administration of such medication.

I understand I must submit a revised statement and sign it if any information changes prior to July.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Contact Phone #1 _____ Contact Phone #2 _____

