



Music Notes for September 21, 2018

Weekly news and updates from Pulaski Community School District's Music Programs

CURRENT VOLUNTEER NEEDS and FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

- **VOLUNTEER:** Uniform help @home football games <http://signup.com/go/VPWoJnt>
- **VOLUNTEER:** Band feed before football game: <http://signup.com/go/rSVCokP>
- **FUNDRAISING:** Lambeau Field Stadium Cleanup: <http://signup.com/go/PtwdxRm>
- **FUNDRAISING:** Lambeau Field Ticket Scanning: <http://signup.com/go/fUGCskn>

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC CALENDAR

Always double-check the online calendar on our website homepage for the latest updates



Pulaski High School Band & Choir

- **Sept 21:** RR Jazz Combo 1 rehearsal, 7:00am-7:25am
- **Sept 21:** Band @ Home football game, 4:30pm report. 6:30 pregame performance in front of Saputo Stadium.
- **Sept 21:** Band photos taken @ home football game
- **Sept 24:** RR Jazz rehearsal, 6:30am
- **Sept 24:** Descant & Acafellas rehearsals, 6:30am
- **Sept 25:** Show choir rehearsal, 6:30am
- **Sept 25:** RR Jazz combo rehearsal, 6:30am
- **Sept 25:** Drumline rehearsal, 6:30pm
- **Sept 26:** RR showcase auditions, 3:00-7:00pm
- **Sept 27:** Descant & Acafellas rehearsals, 6:30am
- **Sept 27:** RR Jazz rehearsal, 6:30am
- **Sept 27:** Marching band practice, 6:30-8:30pm

Pulaski Community Middle School Band & Choir

- None

Community Band & Community Choir

- **Sept 26:** Community Band rehearsal, 7:00pm, PCMS
- **Sept 27:** Community Choir rehearsal, 7:00pm, Sunnyside Elementary



ANY UPDATES AND NEW ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS ARE NOTED IN RED

From Mindy Jensen – PMB President:

- **The boosters have another fundraiser opportunity** to raise money for the upcoming New York trip fund. You can sign up to pick grapes Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The address is 9489 South Chase Rd: 1/2 mile east from the John Deere dealership and the Polish Cemetery on the corner of 32 and South Chase Rd. Only need to bring gloves. All other equipment is provided. (Hours worked do not count toward required volunteer hours.)
- Thank you to everyone who signed up to volunteer and to donate supplies for the Band Night band feed. Please watch Facebook and next week's newsletter for the sign up link for the **Fall Festival feed**. We'll be treating both the band and choir to dinner before the football game. Also, this is Jen Uttech and myself's last year and we are looking for someone to take over coordinating the band/choir feeds for next year. It doesn't take a lot of time and we have detailed notes and numbers from the past 3 years. If you are interested in taking over this position, please contact Jen or me.
- In addition, **we are looking for a couple people to take over a couple of Chilirific duties for next year**. Planning will be getting under way in a couple months and it would be great for someone to shadow this year to make the transition easier. First, we will need an event chair that oversees the planning and coordinating the entire event. We also need a front kitchen lead that oversees all of the front kitchen duties. If you are interested or would like more details on either position, please contact me.

From Lisa Voelker – PMB Treasurer:

- **Gas and Grocery Card Pickup Times: Sept 27 in the PHS commons, 6:15-6:30pm. Email me with orders: lisa@thevoelkers.com.** If you purchase gas & grocery gift cards, there is now a handy form available to make it easier for our card processing folks to ensure credit goes to your student's account. See the fundraising page on the website. Our card program is a great way to raise money for your student's music account in both band and choir! For groceries, we offer **Woodman's** and **Festival** gift cards. Woodman's profit is 5%, and Festival is 3%. We will split the profit between student accounts and booster general fund. We are offering \$50 & \$100 cards for both stores. We also offer **Kwik Trip** cards with a 5% profit to student accounts, in \$25, \$50, and \$100 amounts. Send any requests or questions to Lisa Voelker, lisa@thevoelkers.com, 822-1045.



Always use the Pulaski Music Booster website calendar for current updates

Pulaski High School Band & Choir

<p>During the school year:</p> <p>RR Jazz Rehearsals – Every Monday & Thursday 6:30am</p> <p>RR Jazz Combo Rehearsals – Every Tuesday & Friday 7:00am</p> <p>Chamber Choir Rehearsals – Every Wednesday & Friday 6:30am</p> <p>Show Choir – Every Tuesday at 6:30am until RR Showcase</p> <p>Descant rehearsals – Every Monday & Thursday at 7:00 am</p> <p>Jazz 2 & 3 Rehearsals – Every Monday evening 5:30pm & 6:30pm respectively, watch for start date</p>	<p align="center">PERFORMANCES & EVENTS</p> <p align="center"><i>Always use the Pulaski Music Booster website calendar for current updates</i></p> <p>September 2018 21 - Band @ Home football game w/PCMS</p> <p>October 2018 5 – Band & Choir @ Home football game 18 – RR Concert Winds Fall Concert</p> <p>November 2018 3 & 4 – Red Raider Showcase 10 – Jazz Veterans’ Day Dinner Dance 30 – Pep Band @ Boy’s BB</p> <p>December 2018 14 – Pep band @ Girls’ BB 15 – Sounds of the Season Concert 17 – Holiday concert 21 – Pep Band @ Boys’ BB</p>	<p>January 2019 4 – Pep Band @ Girls’ BB/Alumni Night 18 – Pep Band @ Boys’ BB 22 – Pep Band @ Girls’ BB 26 – Pep Band @ Wrestling invite 27 – Chilrific Musicpalooza</p> <p>February 2019 8 – Pep Band @ Girls’ BB 15 – Pep Band @ Boy’s BB 9, 10, 16, & 17 – PHS Musical</p> <p>March 2019 2 – Solo & Ensemble @ PHS 12 – Large group ensemble 13-19 – New York trip</p> <p>April 2019 29 – Honors recital</p> <p>May 1 – Roncalli Band festival 2 – Roncalli Choir festival 3 – State S&E Jazz & large ensembles 4 – State S&E for band & choir soloists & choir ensembles 17 – BACAS 19 – Spring Awards Concert 27 – Memorial Day performance 29 – Graduation ceremony</p>
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Pulaski Community Middle School Band & Choir

<p>None</p>

Community Band & Community Choir

<p>October 14 – Community Band concert December 20 – Christmas Collage concert (band & choir)</p>

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Summer 2018 PHS Band and Marching Band Information

In August, we will have Wednesday evening rehearsals from 5:30 (drum line and color guard) and 6:30 (winds) until 9:00pm.

Once school begins, our rehearsals will go to Thursday night.

Tips for a successful Marching Band Experience:

1. Your student must always be on time for rehearsals. If rehearsal starts at 6:30pm, that means they must have their instrument together, music in order and in the band room warmed up and ready to play at 6:30pm. It is strongly suggested the students arrive no less than 15 minutes prior to the report time.

REMEMBER: To be on time is to be late!

2. Make sure your student eats well prior to a marching band performance or rehearsal. The body needs fuel to be able to make it through rehearsals and performances.

3. Make sure your student is well hydrated prior to rehearsals and/or performances. During rehearsals many students do bring their own water bottles so they have access to water at all times.

4. If needed, be sure to discuss any special physical/medical concerns or needs your child may have with the director well in advance of rehearsals and performances.

5. Make sure your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions. During cooler months, dress in layers, during warmer months, lighter colored clothing is best. Please keep in mind that the school dress code is in effect for marching band rehearsals and dress appropriately.

6. Make sure your student is wearing appropriate footwear during rehearsals. Flip-flops and sandals do not cut it for marching band rehearsal. If your student has new dinkles (marching shoes), it is a good idea to wear them with thick socks during rehearsals to break them in.

7. Sunscreen and bug spray are good things for your student to have at marching rehearsals. The mosquitoes get quite large in Wisconsin!

8. Make sure your student has all the appropriate instrument needs during rehearsals and performances. Mouthpieces, reeds, lyres, valve/slide oil, flipbook & lyre and music are important. It is also a good idea for your student to make sure they have a pencil and paper. If your marching instrument is in need of cleaning and/or repairs, do so as soon as possible.

9. **Rehearsals and Summer Band Camp are a part of the PHS Marching Band.** If your student will be missing any rehearsal, you must get with Mr. Busch well in advance with the information and arrange to make up any missed rehearsal time. Mr. Busch is the final authority regarding missed rehearsals. Do not miss rehearsals!

10. Parents are encouraged to attend marching band rehearsals and/or band camp and help out as needed. Just show up and let someone know you are there and ready to help!

Pulaski Music Essential Info

Ways to keep Informed:

- Attend Booster Meetings - Second Monday of each month during the school year, generally at 7pm at PHS in room LG-1 (by the library).
- Pulaski Music Booster (PMB) Website - www.pulaskimusicboosters.com
- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/PMBoosters>
- Twitter - @pulaski_music
- Newsletter - If you do not already receive this newsletter via email, you can subscribe or view from the PMB website—check the “Newsletter” tab.
- Music Booster Calendar - View at pulaskimusicboosters.com/calendar or add it to your own Google Calendar by searing for pulaskimusicboosters@gmail.com
- Text Remind - Each class of band and choir has its own text remind list. Students and parents should sign up to receive reminders about field trips, rehearsals, payments, schedule changes, etc. Instructions are on the website under the Band->PHS Band and Choir->PHS Choir tabs.
- Email us at pulaskimusicboosters@gmail.com

Commonly used abbreviations:

RR = Red Raider

RRMB = Red Raider Marching Band

SL = Section leader

DL = Drum line

CG = Color guard

MET Force:

- MET Force is a group of parents that help move the instruments and band equipment so the directors can focus on the kids. MET Force is needed for parades, football games, concerts, solo ensemble etc. Help at one event or help at all! **Many hands make light work.**
- If you are interested in helping or just checking it out, email pmbmetforce@gmail.com.

Attendance Policy:

- Attendance at all rehearsals and performances is required
- Excused Absence: Notify director with a written note 3 days prior to rehearsal and 7 days prior to a performance
- Full policy given on PMB website – Band/PHS Band/PHS Red Raider Band Attendance Policy

Student Accounts:

- There are two types of accounts available to your student for fundraising; one through the school and one through the boosters. The balance of all student accounts is posted on the bulletin board in the band room. It is typically updated monthly.

Fundraising:

PMB offers several fundraising opportunities during the year that provide funds for student accounts, our general fund, or a combination thereof. Some typical opportunities include:

Lambeau Field Ticket Scanning

- Volunteer to sign up to scan tickets before Packer home games.

Resch Center

- Volunteer to work food and beverage booths at the Resch center.

Script/Gas & Grocery Gift Cards

- Raise money for student accounts and the booster general fund at NO additional cost to you.

Chilirific

- The PMB biggest fundraiser of the year.

Additional Fundraisers include: Holiday Cookie/Candy Trays and Booyah at Kimp's Hardware in Howard