



## 2023-2024 Barron Collier High School Cougar Band

Welcome to the BCHS Cougar Band! Below is information regarding our 2023-2024 marching band season and fee schedule. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Brett Robinson at [robinb@collierschools.com](mailto:robinb@collierschools.com) or by phone at (239) 377-1356. Email is the easiest and preferred form of communication.

**2023-2024 BCHS Cougar Band Parent Information Meeting – Tuesday, April 25 at 7:00 PM in the BCHS Auditorium**

### 2023-2024 F.A.Q.

#### 1. Do I have to audition to join the BCHS Cougar Band?

<b>If you play a woodwind or brass instrument...</b> (Flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, trumpet, french horn, trombone, baritone, or tuba)	Auditions are not required to be in the BCHS Cougar Band. Students are placed in a band class based on ability and teacher recommendation.
<b>If you want to be in the Drumline...</b>	All students are required to audition for marching drum line instrument placement. Percussion placement auditions will be held during percussion camp in July. All percussion students must be enrolled in the percussion class (Band 1) to participate in drum line. Percussionist may also enroll in one of the concert band classes in addition to percussion class. Percussion Mini-Camp will be held on May 20 <sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Percussion Camp is July 21-24 from 8:00AM – 5:00 PM.
<b>If you want to be in the Color Guard or Dance Team...</b>	Auditions are required to join and participate. Interested students must attend the Auxiliary Workshops/Auditions on April 11 <sup>th</sup> for Dance Team and April 12 <sup>th</sup> for Flag. Auditions are held from 4:30-6:30pm in the BCHS Auxiliary Gym. Students who are selected for the 2023-2024 BCHS Cougar Band Auxiliary must enroll in the Dance Techniques 1 class.

*All CCPS students signed up for a band class (Band 1, Dance Techniques 1) are required to participate in marching band.*

#### 2. What are the fees for next year's marching band season?

**Fees will be due on or before Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. It is possible to pay online through the band website. The last day to pay all fees is Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**NEW** Winds/Percussion - \$425.00

- Percussion instrument rental/replacement head fee - \$50.00
- School owned instrument rental fee - \$50.00
- Includes marching shoes (\$45) and spats (\$10)

Returning Winds/Percussion - \$375.00

- Percussion instrument rental/replacement head fee - \$50.00
- School owned instrument rental fee - \$50.00

All returning auxiliary - \$375.00

- Including Auxiliary Equipment Fee - (covers, flags, flag poles and pom-poms, air blades/rifles)
- Returning members can purchase replacement marching shoes (\$45) and tights (\$13)

**NEW** auxiliary - \$425.00 (includes uniform)

- Includes Auxiliary Equipment Fee - \$25.00 (covers, flags, flag poles, pom-poms, air blades/rifles)

All fees are due on or before May 26th, 2023. Payments can be dropped off in the band room black box or mailed to the band booster PO Box at BCHS Band Boosters – PO Box 111328 – Naples, FL 34108-0123.

**What does this band fee cover?**

<p><b>If you play a woodwind, brass, or percussion instrument...</b> (Flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, drumline)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Uniform rental/dry cleaning</li> <li>- (2) Practice shirts</li> <li>- (2) Marching band mesh shorts</li> <li>- Gloves/Spats (new members)</li> <li>- Transportation to all marching band events</li> <li>- FBA participation fees</li> </ul>
<p><b>If you are in Flag, Majorette or Dance...</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (2) Auxiliary t-shirts</li> <li>- (1) Tights (new members)</li> <li>- Jewelry</li> <li>- Earrings</li> </ul>

**What is NOT covered in the band fee?**

<p><b>If you play a woodwind, brass, or percussion instrument...</b> (Flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, drumline)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- School instrument rental fees (\$50)</li> <li>- Percussion instrument rental fee (\$50)</li> <li>- Marching band shoes</li> <li>- Additional band t-shirts, spats, shorts, and gloves</li> </ul>
<p><b>If you are in Color Guard or Dance...</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Additional shoes, tights, or earrings</li> <li>- Guard/Dance Shorts</li> <li>- Guard/Dance Gloves</li> <li>- Guard/Dance Bag</li> <li>- Indoor season fees</li> </ul>

**Can the band fees be refunded?** No. Bills and invoices for the marching band season are paid as soon as the fees are turned in each year.

3. **How do I pay my band fee?** Fees can be paid by check, or by money order. **Please do not pay with cash.** If paying by check or money order, please address your payments to “BCHS Band Boosters” and be sure to write your student’s name on the check. Returning BCHS students can either mail or drop off their fees to the band room black box. Make sure that the envelope is labeled with the student’s name. You can also pay online through the band website.
4. **Does my student need to complete a physical in order to participate in marching band?** Yes. All students must submit a physical evaluation form completed by their doctor before band camp. Physicals are good for an entire school year and can also be used to participate in BCHS sports.
5. **When do rehearsals start?** The first 2023-2024 rehearsal for all band students will be Band Camp on Monday, July 24th from 2:00-9:00 PM. Please refer to the band calendar page on the band website ([www.bchsband.org](http://www.bchsband.org)) for a full list of band camp dates, rehearsals, and performances.
6. **Attendance Policy:** All students are required to attend all of band camp, weekly rehearsals and performances. Students are required to be prepared and on time to each rehearsal or performance. If rehearsal starts at 2:00pm, students should plan to arrive by 1:45pm. If rehearsal ends at 9:00pm, students will be dismissed at 9:00pm and parents should plan to pick up their students around 9:00 – 9:15pm
7. **Social Media:** Families who are on Twitter are strongly encouraged to follow us, however it is not required. Information regarding our upcoming events is posted regularly on our website ([www.bchsband.org](http://www.bchsband.org)) and Twitter page. To follow us on Twitter, search “@BCHSCougarBand” and click “Follow.” The band website is [www.bchsband.org](http://www.bchsband.org).

# 2023-2024 BCHS Cougar Band Event Calendar

*Please note the dates listed below are subject to change.*

*The band calendar is also available on the band website ([www.bchsband.org](http://www.bchsband.org))*

## **Band Camp.**

Band Camp Week #1 – July 24 – July 28 (2:00 PM – 9:00 PM)

Band Camp Week #2 – August 1 and August 3 (4:00 PM – 9:00 PM)

*Attendance at band camp is mandatory for all students enrolled in a band class for the 2023-2024 school year.*

*One or two weekly marching band practices are held each week from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm.*

*Please check the band calendar on the band website for the complete practice schedule*

## **Varsity Football Games and Required Performances**

Friday, August 18	HOME
Friday, August 25	AWAY – Band not traveling to game
Friday, September 1	AWAY
Friday, September 8	OFF
Friday, September 14	HOME
Friday, September 22	AWAY
Friday, September 29	HOME
Friday, October 6	AWAY
Friday, October 13	HOME
Friday, October 20	AWAY
Friday, October 27	TBA
Friday, October 28	CCPS Band Show/District 22 Marching MPA @Barron Collier HS
Friday, November 4	AWAY

## **Additional Events**

September 2023	FBA All State Auditions
November 2023	CCPS Honor Band Auditions
December 2023	Naples Holiday Parade-Concert
January 2024	CCPS Honor Band Concert
Feb 2024	FBA Jazz Band District Music Performance Assessment
Feb 2024	FBA High School Solo and Ensemble Music Performance Assessments
March 2024	FBA Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band Music Performance Assessments
March 2024	FBA State Solo and Ensemble and Jazz Music Performance Assessments
April-May 2023	FBA State Concert Band Music Performance Assessments
May 2023	Cougar Band Pops Concert