



Mansfield High School Tiger Band Parent Survival Guide 2023-2024

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MHS Tiger Band Booster Club

**Welcome! By virtue of having a student in band, YOU are a Band Booster!
We look forward to getting to know you better in the months ahead.**

Mission Statement:

The purpose of the organization is to promote the entire band program of Mansfield High School, by assisting the Band Directors and school authorities in the development of an outstanding band program.

About Us:

The Mansfield High School Tiger Band Boosters (MHSTBB) meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm in the MHS band hall. This is your opportunity to stay informed on booster and band events. MHSTBB is a 501©(3) Non-Profit organization. Booster bylaws and budget are available on the [booster website](#).

The goal of MHSTBB is to provide our directors with assistance in obtaining supplemental funds for needs of the band that are not budgeted or paid for by the school or school district. Every parent/guardian is asked to pitch in. As an example, the band needs 40 parent volunteers for every marching show performance. With approximately 16 performances and 200 students in band, if every adult volunteers just once, the task is easily divided among us all. All parents are asked to assist at one performance and one fundraising event.

How to Volunteer:

Look for the volunteer sign-up sheets at booster meetings or send our [Director of Volunteers](#) and email to get involved. Pick your area of interest and we welcome your time and talents! MISD requires all volunteers to complete a background check via the MISD Volunteer Form, available on the Band Booster website or by [clicking here](#). Once your application is approved, you'll visit our MHS front office and register in the RAPTOR system using your driver's license.

Just a few of the many Volunteer Opportunities:

- **Chaperones** - without a doubt THE most important role to help support the band and your child. We need you!
- **Equipment & Logistics** - the movers and shakers. Everything from helping frontline move equipment, to helping in the final assembly of our pre-built props, to driving our fancy new band semi! (CDL license required).
- **Food** - From buying to cooking to distributing food/drink at our games, events, and contests. You keep the band fueled up for success.
- **Announcer** - be the voice of our Tiger Marching Band every Friday night!
- **Band Banquet** - ranging from helping to plan, sell tickets, decorate, transport decorations, for our end of the year band party.
- **Uniforms** - sewing, repairing, washing, and helping in the sizing process
- **Vendor Market & Fair**
- **Preview of Champions**
- **Many, Many more opportunities. Please consider helping!**

Band Booster Finances & Student Accounts

CHARMS is the online accounting system used for all band student accounts. The finances section (green icon with \$ dollar sign) allows parents to view what their student has paid and the remaining balance. Best accessed through the [band website](#), please consider adding [CHARMS](#) to your internet favorites/bookmarks.

All new band members will create their MHS Band CHARMS accounts at Band Registration on July 29th.

Donations

All donations are greatly appreciated and are tax deductible. Donations can come in many forms including, monetary donation, office supplies, paper towels, bottled water, and instruments. Throughout the year we do request specific items. Please consider donating when those requests come around.

Mansfield Music Enrichment Program (MMEP)

Every year the MHSTBB set aside funds to assist students with private lessons. Please [contact a director](#) if you are interested or would like more information.

Fundraisers

Why fundraise? Though Mansfield ISD provides all band programs with the identical amounts of operational funds, these funds are limited and fall short of the needs of a successful band program. Additional funds are needed to purchase equipment, uniforms, and to pay for costs associated with some of the band contests and trips that our organization takes. Fundraising helps defer the cost of these events to make band affordable for all members.

Many bands across the state and even in our local area charge almost \$1000.00 in activity fees. It is through the combined efforts of ALL parents and students that we keep our fees extremely low. We need everyone to continue their contributions and involvement to keep band affordable for all.

Trailer Ads

Selling advertisements spots on our band trailer is just one of many fundraising opportunities the band provides. MHS was the first high school marching band in the district with its' own trailer. This has significantly helped defray transportation costs. To continue use of the trailer, advertisements spots are sold. Business and corporate ads start at \$500.00 for a renewing ad. More information can be found on the [band booster website](#).

If you know of anyone interested in advertising on the band trailer, please have them contact any member of the [Band Booster Executive Board](#) for more information.

2023 - 2024 Mansfield High School Tiger Band Boosters

Executive Board

To contact a board member please visit the [Band Booster website](#).

Co-Presidents: Kristie Butler and Rayna Smith

Vice President: Kristina Holmes

Co-Director of Volunteers: Kerri Jones and Brenda McMullan

Co-Director of Fundraising: Angela Herring and Amy Kunas

Co-Treasurer: Lindsay Cadenhead and Shannon Wood

Secretary: Uvonna Alexander

Parliamentarian: Joe Salinas

Guard Parent Liaison: Beth Fortner

Member at Large: Calvin Dennis

Ex Officio Members: Julie Stone (past president)



Section Parents:

Got a question? Go to your Section Parents! There are [Section Parents](#) for each section in the band. Each parent has at least one year of MHS Band program experience and can answer most any question or point you in the right direction for an answer. Section Parents provide you with a “parent point of view,” and solutions for many common issues. First year parents have many questions, and Section Parents are THE best source for answers and clarification. Utilizing our Section Parents will make your family’s life easier. Section Parents send out monthly emails to provide reminders of upcoming events. It is important Section Parents have your best and most accurate email. The list of Section Parents is included in this packet and can also be found [online](#).

SECTION	PARENT	
Lead Section Parent	Alan Simmons	rasimmons32@yahoo.com 682-433-7412
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Clarinets	Alicia Robinson	alicia.robinson1121@gmail.com 817-456-4251
	Trish Sqrow	Trishasqrow@gmail.com 317-340-7640
Saxophones and Low Reeds	Marisela Alexander	Marialexander1983@gmail.com 817-913-4320
Trumpets	Christina Wiegand	Christinadwiegand@gmail.com 817-841-0521
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	Tonya Barrett	tonyabarrett@misdmail.org 682-560-0311
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Band Booster Co-Presidents	Kristie Butler	kristiebutler@misdmail.org 817-907-8752
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Communications

We make every effort to post important information via the [Band Remind 101](#) system, the [Band Website](#), and the [Band Booster Website](#). We may also reinforce announcements during class and at the end of afterschool rehearsals. Please only use these approved methods as well as our [Section Parents](#) as your source of information.

There are two Facebook pages used by our Band Boosters. They are the “MHS Tiger Band 23-24” Facebook Group, and the “23-24 MHS Band Pics” Facebook Group.

MHS Band Remind Codes

Text your class code to: 81010

MHS Band (<i>all students</i>)	@mhs-band23
Parents	@23par24
Flute	@mhs-flts23
Clarinet	@mhs-clts23
Saxophone	@ mhs-reed23
Trumpet	@ mhs-tpts23
Horn	@ mhs-hrnz23

Trombone	@ mhs-tbns23
Tuba & Euphonium	@ mhs-bass23
Percussion	@ mhs-perc23
Color Guard	@2324mhscg
Section Leaders	@mhs-sec23
Student Leadership	@ k62abag

Forms

Student Health Form

All students must complete an [MISD Student Health Information Form](#) prior to participation in any activity for the school year. This form is kept by the directors in case of emergency health care needs throughout the year. Please complete and turn in at Band Registration.

UIL Physical

Year 1 and 3: Physical Exam Form and Medical History Form

All students entering their 9th and 11th grade year of school must have a physical completed by a medical professional. They are required to submit both the UIL Medical History Form and UIL Physical Examination Form.

Year 2 and 4: Medical History Form

All students entering their 10th and 12th grade year AND who had completed a physical prior to the start of their 9th/11th grade year, are only required to submit the MISD Medical History Form.

Both UIL forms can be found on the band website by [clicking here](#).

Marching Band

Gearing Up for Marching Band Summer Camp

Warm weather activewear clothing

Athletic shoes with laces and socks

The shoes/socks you practice marching in are the same shoes/socks you would wear to run a 5k. Shoes that fit well and don't allow the foot to slide around inside are a must. Poorly fitting shoes can cause blisters, cramping muscles, shin splints, and joint pain. Questions? Ask a [Section Parent](#) or [a director](#).

Shorts and t-shirts are recommended. Some individuals prefer a lightweight long sleeve shirt for sun protection. Lightweight and light colors are going to keep band members cooler on the concrete practice field. Questions? Ask a [Section Parent](#) or [a director](#).

A Hat to keep the sun off your face. Lightweight ball cap style or more of a hiking style hat work equally well.

Sunscreen of at least SPF 30. Have enough for multiple applications throughout a rehearsal. One application at the beginning is rarely enough during summer band camp.

Hydration Backpack

Every band member is required to have a hydration backpack. These packs MUST hold at least one liter of water, however, we highly recommend a two liter capacity instead. Many off brand packs end up leaking or don't support replacing a small part when things break. Camelbak and Osprey are two reliable options but there are many to choose from. This should not be a pack to carry gear. Just water, coordinate card, phone. As in clothing choices, lightweight and good ventilation. Questions? Ask a [Section Parent](#) or [a director](#).

Flip Folder and Lyre

Every brass and woodwind player must have their own [flip folder and lyre](#) (flutes only need flip folder). The flip folder will hold most of the band music for the marching season. The lyre is a metal device that allows the flip folder to attach to the instrument. Students will want a minimum of 15 flip folder sheet protectors. These items are instrument specific and can be found at most local music stores.

Instrument and instrument supplies

- Mouthpiece
- Slide oil
- Cork grease
- Ligature
- Valve oil
- Swab
- Reeds
- Rotor oil
- Etc.

Summer Sectionals (various days June – July)

Sectionals during the summer are kept to a minimum and are led by our student leaders. Sectionals will typically be held on Tuesdays for all sections. All sections have their own [Remind 101](#) messaging and sectionals are communicated via this system. Summer sectionals are an opportunity for new band members to learn music, work with their sections, connect with new friends before summer band begins.

Summer Band Camp (July 24 - August 14)

Camp begins July 24 for all band members. For specific times and dates please reference the [Summer Band Schedule](#). Students will be working outside and inside for up to eight hours each day. There are several breaks throughout each session and long breaks for meals. It's very common for sections to travel to various nearby fast food or grocery stores. Students please plan ahead and clear permission with parents to determine if this is okay. The air-conditioned band hall and adjoining hallway will be available for eating, resting and relaxing for students who chose to bring their lunch.

Summer camp always sounds daunting, but for all the long hours, hot days, and aches and pains, the band family seems to come together strongest during camp. Lifelong friendships are forged in summer band. The work is worth it!

Afterschool Rehearsals

Once school begins students will attend marching band rehearsals afterschool three times a week. For specific times and dates please reference the [band calendar](#) available on our website.

Our typical start time for afterschool rehearsals is 3:45pm to allow students time to attend tutoring in other classes. Attempting to go home afterschool and come back before rehearsal is strongly discouraged. The parking lot becomes extremely congested afterschool and makes it nearly impossible to get back on time. See maps included in this packet for designated pick up, parking, and no parking areas for end of rehearsal student pickup.

Rain or shine, the band will rehearse. For the safety of all students, directors will always follow pertinent MISD guidelines for weather. There are many ways we can achieve a high-quality rehearsal when the weather turns. Any adjustments to the rehearsal schedule will be announced via [Remind 101](#) and updated on the [band calendar](#).

Absences

Students may not be excused from scheduled band rehearsals for any other activities including driver's education and doctor visits. Please plan orthodontist/doctor appointments, and driver's ed classes accordingly. Refer to the [band calendar](#) for rehearsal dates and times to avoid.

Pro Tip: Except for 'short weeks' we will have one day of rest (typically Wednesday). Use this day for doctor appointments, rest, relaxation, studying, tutoring. It is very important that students do not miss rehearsal for doctor appointments.

Game Days

Afterschool Call Time:

In the Fall semester, football games are typically on Fridays. Depending on the location of the game, students report to the band hall for pre-performance prep and rehearsal at approximately 4:00pm.

Game Time:

While at the game students are performing. From the moment we step into the stadium the band is at work. Students are up and engaged in the game, cheering on their team. No cell phones, no food or drink.

The band plays in the stands throughout the game and performs on field during halftime. Regardless of whether we are home or visitor the band always performs to the home side.

Once back at MHS, there is a brief post-game meeting in the band hall. Students are dismissed after the meeting, however, some students may have a few more duties before they make their way out to be picked up. Remaining duties might include: returning hat boxes, uniforms properly hung up racked, percussion and guard equipment unloaded from trailer and properly stored.

Marching Band Contest Days

The Tiger Band will compete at several marching band competitions. For specific dates, locations, and itineraries please reference the [band calendar](#). Competitions are generally held on Saturdays, many of them in October.

Students will meet in the band hall in the morning at designated call time for pre-performance prep and rehearsal. Students must ride the bus to and from the contest and remain with the band the entire day.

Once at the contest site, the band will move through different staging locations before their performance time. If the band is attending a contest with a 'prelims and finals' format, it means we potentially perform twice in one day. There can be quite a bit of time between prelims and finals. Therefore, depending on location and schedule, the band might travel to a nearby park or mall to eat and spend time.

Should the band qualify for finals, the process of moving through staging locations begins again.

The evening concludes with an awards ceremony and afterwards the band heads back to school and the same protocol for returning from a game is followed.

Chaperoning a contest day is a lot of fun, but it is a very long day. Lots standing, walking, climbing up and down stadium stairs, and many other fun things. The band needs you! Young, old, returning, new. We need you!

Pro Tip:

If not chaperoning tickets must be purchased on site to attend contests and often cash is only accepted. Some venues offer separate tickets for prelims and finals or a "combo ticket." As information comes available, the directors will post information both on the band website and in the 'notes' section of each band calendar event.

Marching Band Performance Opportunities

Spirit Show

The Spirit Show is the first music and drill performance that band members learn in summer band. The show is filled with fun, popular music and has a lighthearted theme. It's performed for the first few football games of the season as well the last few games (after competition season concludes). All members of the band have a spot for this show. Everyone marches on the field!

Contest Show

The Contest Show is the competitive music and drill performance production. This show is performed for the majority of football games and at all marching contests. All eligible students participate, however, not everyone has the same roll. Students earn a "spot" by competitive audition. This audition is based on the mastery of both musical and marching techniques. Other students will share a "spot" and compete weekly to see who will perform that week. Some students will play the contest music in a stationary position in the 'alternate block' directly off the front sideline.

Spot Auditions

During Summer Band Camp, band members will audition for "spots" in the competitive show. Spots will be awarded to students who successfully demonstrate mastery of both musical and marching requirements. Those students who do not earn a spot are still part of the band. Students without a spot must attend all rehearsals and performances and will perform at every performance and contest. Students without a spot still contribute to the band's success and are an important part of the band program.

Grades & UIL Eligibility

Marching Band is a Varsity activity and all UIL eligibility rules apply to every performance, competition, and paid event.

"No-pass, no-play" is UIL policy. A student who receives, at the end of any grading period, a grade below 70 in any class (other than an identified advanced class) is deemed ineligible and cannot perform. They are still required to come to all rehearsals. Students can regain eligible status as early as three weeks later (progress report) if, at that time, all their grades are 70 or above (other than an identified advanced class). Important to note that all classes must be passing, not just the previously failed class.

All grades can be accessed through [Skyward](#) on MISD's website. Through Skyward parents can sign up for email notifications if your child's grades fall below a threshold you select.

Time management is extremely important during the Fall semester. A typical school day involves classes all day, afterschool practice, eat dinner, study, sleep. Friday nights are generally longer with football game performances and many Saturday's involve marching band contests. While we are busy this time of year it is worth noting, band student grades are generally higher during marching season.

Tutoring

Many teachers have tutorials before or after school. In addition, many upper-class band members are volunteer tutors who are willing to assist if needed. The list of band member tutors is placed on the band hall bulletin board during the first six weeks.

Marching Band Fees

(TENTATIVE)

Though Mansfield ISD provides all band programs with identical amounts of operational funds, these funds are limited and fall short of the needs of a successful band program. A band program such as ours requires roughly \$170,000.00 in additional funds to operate. Although fundraising generates most of these necessary funds, there are certain fees required of every band member.

ALL MEMBERS:

\$200.00 Activity Fee

Every student pays the activity fee. This fee helps cover costs of items benefiting the entire band program. The fee includes one show shirt that we wear under our uniform on many performance days. Meals at marching contests is one example of the many things this fee helps provide. This fee is lower than years past due to the great fundraising efforts of all band parents. To keep the fees low we need the continued commitment of all families in our fundraising efforts.

\$10.00 Fan Shirt (current year shirt required)

This shirt is worn many times each season both at rehearsals and performances.

\$15.00 Extra Show Shirt (optional)

One show shirt is included with the activity fee. An additional shirt is not required. Additional shirts can be purchased for friends and family. Show your Tiger Band Pride. Purchase a show shirt and wear it at the games, contests, etc. The students feel an extra sense of pride when they see all the parents in the stands representing MHS in our show shirts!

\$40.00 Uniform Cleaning Fee (Brass/Woodwind/Percussion members only)

Students are responsible for handling and storing their uniforms properly. Damage due to negligence results in the student covering the cost to replace the uniform. Each uniform costs approximately \$750.00 to replace.

\$40.00 Marching Shoes (Brass/Woodwind/Percussion members only)

All freshman brass, woodwind, and percussion students will need specially designed marching shoes. Returning brass, woodwind, and percussion students may use their shoes from the previous year if they are clean, functional, and in great condition.

\$5.00 Pair of Gloves (Brass & Woodwind members only)

These thin, lightweight gloves take a beating, so it is recommended that students purchase two pairs.

\$80.00 Instrument Rental Fee

Due only from band members using a school owned instrument, this fee is paid to our campus bookkeeper. Unpaid fee will appear as a fine on the student's account.

All fees are paid on Band Registration Day, July 29th.

To make payments: Make checks payable to "MHSTBB." Always put your check in a sealed envelope. Print on the outside of envelope: 1. student name, 2. amount enclosed, and 3. what the money is for. If paying during the school year, the envelope should be deposited in our safe, located in the band office. (big black box next to Mr. Ludlow's desk)

Color Guard Specific Fees (TENTATIVE)

\$85.00 Spirit Uniform

This uniform will be utilized all year at performances. If students take care of the uniform, it can be a one-time purchase. Spirit Uniform fee is due by June 9, 2023. (all other fees are paid at band registration)

\$55.00 Rifle

All members should own a color guard rifle. Students may use their rifle from the previous year if it is clean, functional, and in great condition.

\$30.00 Shoes

Every member needs a pair of guard specific shoes. Students may use their shoes from the previous year if they are clean, functional, and in great condition.

\$25.00 Flag Bag

Flag Bags will be utilized throughout the year. Students may use their flag bag from the previous year if it is clean, functional, and in great condition.

\$15.00 Guard Gloves

Every member must have one pair of guard gloves that are in great shape. Students may use their gloves from the previous year if they are clean, functional, and in great condition.

\$55.00 Guard Jacket

All members must have a Guard Jacket. The jacket is worn at cool weather games and contests. If students take care of the jacket, it can be a one-time purchase.

\$30.00 Guard Duffle Bag (optional)

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Student Opportunities

Band Council

The formal student council for all band student activities. The band council is part of the student leadership team and has a variety of responsibilities throughout the year. The band council is responsible for the organization and production of most band social events.

Student Leadership

Band provides a wide variety of student leadership opportunities that are invaluable on a college application. Band leadership positions include, drum major, section leader, captains, loading crew, and band council.

Private Lessons

All students are encouraged to take private lessons. Many lesson teachers are available during band class time. The Band Boosters offer scholarship assistance through the Mansfield Music Enrichment Program (MMEP). For more information on MMEP [contact a director](#).

Senior Scholarships

Every year, the MHS Tiger Band Boosters set aside funds to provide scholarships to graduating seniors. To apply, seniors must be accepted to an institute of higher education, although they do not need to be music majors. We are proud to be able to offer this opportunity to all senior band members.

Community Service Hours

Most activities sponsored by the Band Boosters that entail work or fundraising are considered community service for college application purposes. Activities include such things as Concession Stand, Tiger Trek and Preview of Champions. The city of Mansfield offers many other events available for community service hours such as, Relay for Life, Hometown Holiday Parade, Mansfield Cares, and performing at senior centers.

Extra-Curricular Activities

Mansfield High School has a variety of fun organizations that meet the many interests of our students. Band members are encouraged to be involved with clubs and organizations, both on and off campus. Many of these clubs and organizations meet during lunchtime.

Sports

It is possible for band members to participate in many sports during marching and concert season that don't conflict with practices or performances. Marching season requires more work, but it is doable.

Calendar Events of Note

Band Registration “Bandapalooza” (July 29th)

On this day you will fill out forms, pay band fees, get fitted for uniforms, shoes and gloves.

Summer Band (see the [summer band schedule](#) or the band calendar)

SAT/ACT Testing

There are many of these test dates scheduled throughout the year. These dates are listed on the band calendar so students can identify which ones do not conflict with marching contest dates.

Tiger Trek (August 26)

This is a fundraiser for MHSTBB and benefits all band members. The event is a march-a-thon/parade of a few miles on a pre-panned neighborhood route. This is a huge and easy fundraiser for the band program and it’s individual members.

Homecoming (September 1st)

During our homecoming football game the band performs the show in advance of the game to allow time at halftime for the homecoming festivities. The band elects a couple (Band Beau and Band Sweetheart) to represent them in the Homecoming Court.

Preview of Champions (September 23rd)

[Preview of Champions](#) is the marching contest that we, MHS Band, hosts. It is a large fundraiser for our program every year. This year our contest is on September 23, 2023 at Vernon Newsom Stadium. All students and at least one parent/guardian per student is needed to run this contest.

Senior Night (November 2nd)

The last football game of the season celebrates our Band Seniors! Parents create posters for their senior and hang them in the band bleacher area. Students in each section often collaborate on senior gifts. There is a special pregame recognition ceremony for the seniors and their parents. At halftime, seniors perform without their marching hats, making it possible to see them throughout the show.

All Region Band Auditions (December 4th, 7th, and 9th)

These individual based auditions occur later in the fall semester. Students perform three etudes and work to advance to the next round of auditions. The Band has been fortunate to have a few members every year that advance all the way to the State level in San Antonio.

Winter Concert

A formal concert will be held after marching season featuring performances by all concert bands, small ensembles, and soloists.

Concert Season

Concert season truly begins the first day of school. Although our fall focus is on marching band, all the concert auditions for All Region Jazz, Orchestra, and Band are held in the fall. The focus once ‘Marching Season’ concludes shifts to preparation for UIL Concert Band contests, solos, and ensembles.

UIL Concert Band Contest (April 8 - 11)

UIL Concert Band contests take place in the spring semester. Afternoon sectionals start up after returning from Winter Break. Band members will receive a link to their specific calendar with rehearsal dates and times. All brass, woodwind and percussion members participate in these contests.

Solo and Ensemble

There is an Ensemble contest in late February and a Solo contest in late April. Every student is encouraged to participate/ compete in this event. Students in the top two bands are expected to compete at both events. Students in the third band are only expected to compete in the Ensemble event, however, most choose to participate in both.

Spring Concert

Usually held in mid to late May, the Spring Concert is a formal concert featuring performances by all concert bands, small ensembles, and soloists.

NTCA Winter Guard Contest

Much like Preview of Champions the band hosts a one-day Winter Guard Contest as a fundraiser. The event is generally in late February or mid March. ALL GUARD STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS are required to help work this event. In addition we ask for student and parent volunteers from our wind and percussion families as well.

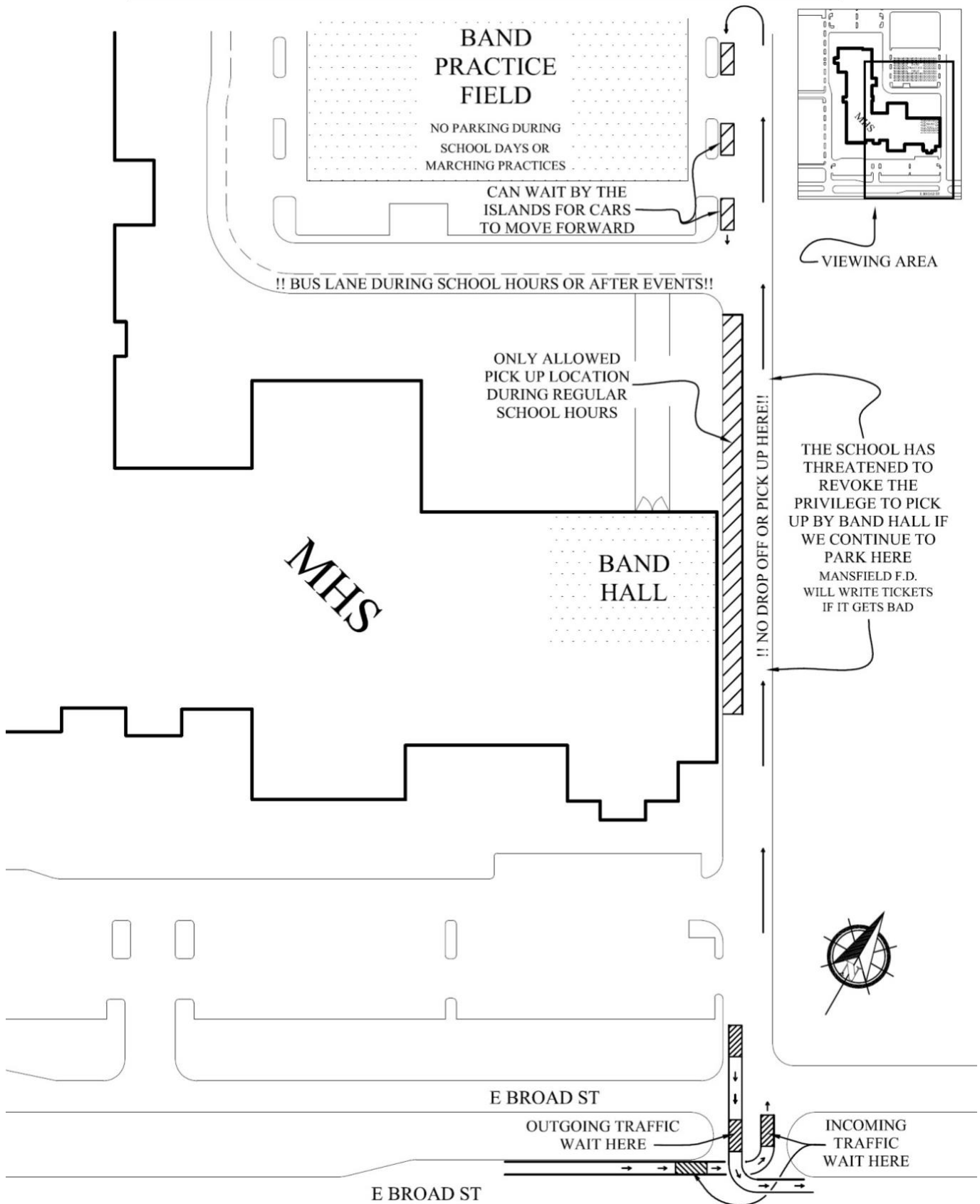
Band Trip

One of the highlights of band is the Band Trip. Every year the band makes one out of town, overnight trip for a performance. The location varies from year to year and information will be made available once the school year begins. ***Students must be UIL eligible and all payments for the trip must be made in advance in order to participate. The trip is optional, not mandatory.***

Band Banquet

The big social event of the band calendar year! This semi-formal event invites all students, friends and family to help celebrate the bands as a group as well as individual accomplishments. There is food, awards, teary-eyed senior band parents, it's a blast! The event is held in May and does not conflict with Prom.

BAND DROP OFF GUIDELINES



AFTER HOURS PARKING GUIDELINES

