



Roosevelt High School

MARCHING BAND • CONCERT BAND • SYMPHONIC BAND • WIND ENSEMBLE

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Welcome to the Roosevelt Rough Rider Band Program!

Bookmark our website: riderband.org and friend us at www.facebook.com/RoughriderMarching/

The music program at Roosevelt High School is one of the most diverse and challenging in Washington State. Our ensembles consistently demonstrate musical excellence and enthusiasm. The program is designed to meet the musical and social needs of many different levels of student musicians. There is a very special sense of “family” in Roosevelt Music.

Most incoming ninth graders are enrolled in Concert Band which meets daily throughout the year. Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble also meet daily, offering more advanced-level ensemble work with an emphasis on demanding band literature in a variety of styles. All three groups perform at school, and at outside venues. Students in any one of these groups are encouraged to be part of the Marching Band. The Jazz Band program at Roosevelt operates separately from Concert and Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble and Marching Band. Many students involved in the Jazz Program are also part of the Band Program.

The Roosevelt Rough Rider Marching Band - The spirit of Roosevelt High School is the Rough Rider Marching Band. “Music, Marching and Madness!” is our motto. Marching Band is open to all Band musicians, regardless of grade level. This group of students perform at school assemblies, select sporting events and more. Attendance at PARADE and GAME events counts as community service hours. Step up, join our ranks and become part of the world-class music community at Roosevelt High School!

The Rough Rider Marching Band performs field shows for selected football games, and supports the team by playing in the stands at Memorial Stadium. School buses transport students and their instruments to and from the games. Students meet at school 1 ½ hours prior to game time for uniform distribution.

We practice music and students learn to march at our annual fall overnight band camp, which takes place the first weekend after school starts, and during our twice a week practices in the fall and spring. Fall practice starts in September and ends in October, once the last home football game is over. Spring practice typically starts in May and ends mid-June. Dates and times of practices are determined at the beginning of the year. Regular attendance at marching practice is necessary to produce a quality show on the field. Scheduling conflicts happen, students with conflicts should talk to Mr. Brown in advance.

The RHS RiderBand Email List – Much of the Band communication is done via email and through our website. Please subscribe to our mailing list through our website, www.riderband.org. Student Drum Majors and Section Leaders may also communicate with fellow musicians through social media, the whiteboard in the band room, and word of mouth.

Uniform Fittings – Students are fitted with a uniform in the fall. Even those who are not participating in the field shows need a uniform to play with the Band in the stands. Uniforms are required for parades. Veterans, we need to verify that your uniform, shoes, and shako still fit. Email Julie / juliekastbauer@gmail.com with required information from the attached RHS Marching Band Uniform Form. There is no fee for uniform use. We do ask marching band students purchase a t-shirt for \$12 to be worn as part of their uniform. Shirts will be available at the fall picnic and through the uniform parents.

Fall Family Potluck Picnic - August 29th, The Roosevelt Commons

The annual Fall Family Potluck Picnic, for all band families, is on Thursday, August, 29th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in Roosevelt’s Commons.. This is a great opportunity to meet Mr. Brown and fellow musicians and their families. Please see the flyer or riderband.org for what we’d like you to bring.

Fall Band Camp - September 6th –8th, Eatonville, WA

The Band is returning to Pack Forest Convention Center, leaving by school bus, from RHS at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 6th and returning Sunday, Sept. 8th around noon. This two-day camp, under the leadership of Scott Brown, includes music rehearsals, marching practice, and a chance to meet new and returning band members. Transportation, lodging, and meals are included in the fee. FORMS ARE DUE ON AUGUST 30th. Email Sarah Fulton with questions / sarahcfulton@mac.com.

The Roosevelt Band Boosters - The Roosevelt Band Boosters is a non-profit organization that provides financial and organizational assistance to the Roosevelt Band programs. Once your student joins the Band, you become a member of the Band Boosters. Our goal is for every student to fully participate in our program, regardless of financial need.

There are many opportunities to volunteer, both large and small. Board meetings are held monthly, and general meetings are held quarterly at Roosevelt. All Band Boosters, friends, and family are encouraged to attend football and basketball games, and concerts. Our musicians appreciate a large and supportive audience, and attending these events is a way to have fun and meet other parents.

Fundraising - Our biggest fundraiser is the cleanup of the Montlake parking lot and surrounding areas after home University of Washington football games. We earn \$1,200.00 per game when we have 20 volunteers helping at 7:30 in the morning for about two hours. Students earn service hours and we work together to the benefit of our great community. In the winter, we sell wreaths and garlands from Hunter Farms. Always seeking additional funding, we welcome your fundraising ideas and assistance.

Program Costs – There is a lab fee of \$100 for all band students. This may be paid today, through School Pay, in one payment to cover the year, or in two payments, one each semester. A check may also be written to RHS with “Band Lab Fee and your student’s name” in the memo line. Additional cost estimates are detailed below. Financial aid is available upon request and donations are greatly appreciated.

Main Events with Approximate Costs:

- Fall Band Camp – A 2 night / 2 day event - Marching Band students - \$185 - all meals included
- Performances at home football games, basketball games, and school assemblies - Marching Band Students - No Charge
- Seattle Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade – Marching Band students – No Charge
- Quarterly concerts at Roosevelt - Band Students - No Charge
- University of Washington Festival – Band students - No Charge
- Central Washington University – Band students - \$50 - Dinner included. Students bring their own lunch or purchase lunch at CWU
- EBMEA Festival – Band Students – No Charge. This event takes place at a local high school. Students bring their own lunch
- Hyack Parade and Spring Band Camp – An overnight for Marching Band students – \$175 - Students bring spending money for two meals in Vancouver.
- Roosevelt Neighborhood Parade and potluck – Marching Band Students – no charge

Please contact us with any questions, comments, concerns, and most of all, to lend a hand!

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