

2008-2009 SOUTHSIDE BAND CALENDAR

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| July | 14-19 | M-Sat | Band Camp at Ark Tech |
| | + 28 | M | Band Student Officers and Section Leaders Work Day 9-4:00 |
| August | * 4 | M | Band Rehearsals Begin 8:00 – 12:00 each day until school starts |
| | 4 | M | Kick off Band Queen Fundraising Campaign |
| | 18 | M | First Day of School |
| | + 19 | T | IMPORTANT Band Parent Meeting – 7:00 Southside Band Room |
| September | 1 | M | Labor Day – No School |
| | * 4 | T | Football – LR Catholic – There (Trip) |
| | * 12 | F | Football – Conway – Home Game |
| | * 26 | F | Football – Rogers – Home Game |
| October | * 3 | F | Football – Bentonville – There (Trip) |
| | * 10 | F | Football – Springdale – Home Game |
| | * 14 | T | Marching Contest - Russellville |
| | * 17 | F | Football – Fayetteville – There (Trip) |
| | * 21 | T | Region II Marching Contest – Northside |
| | 24 | F | No School – Parent-Teacher Conferences 8:30 – 11:30am |
| | * 24 | F | Football – Har-Ber – Home Game (Band Queen) |
| November | 3 | M | All-Region Jazz Auditions – Coleman JH, Van Buren |
| | * 7 | F | Football – Northside – Home Game |
| | 8 | S | All-Region Jazz Clinic - Van Buren |
| | 14 | F | Professional Development – No School |
| | * 14 | F | Football – Playoff Game #1 |
| | * 21 | F | Football – Playoff Game #2 |
| | 26-28 | W,Th,F | Thanksgiving Break – No School |
| | + 28 | F | Football – Playoff Game #3 |
| December | * 1-5 | M – F | Southside Band Mock Tryouts (after school) |
| | * 6 or 13 | S | Fort Smith Christmas Parade |
| | * 6 | S | State Championship Football Game – Little Rock |
| | * 8 | M | Christmas Band Assembly 2 nd per. |
| | * 8 | M | SHS Band Christmas Concert - 7:00 pm |
| | 17-19 | W-F | Semester Exams |
| | 19 | F | <u>Christmas Break Begins at 3:10 pm</u> |
| January | 5 | M | School Resumes |
| | + 10 | Sa | All-Region Band Tryouts - Dover High School |
| | 16-17 | F, Sa | All-Region Band Clinic at Southside |
| | 19 | M | Martin Luther King Day – No School |
| | + 19 | M | <u>Martin Luther King Day Parade – Time TBA</u> |
| February | * 5 | Th | Band Assembly for junior highs – 9:00am |
| | * 5 | Th | Band Parent Appreciation Concert – 7:00pm |
| | 6-7 | F-S | All-State Auditions at ATU |
| | 16 | M | Professional Development – No School |
| | 18-21 | W-Sa | All-State Band – Hot Springs Convention Center |
| | * 27 | F | <u>Southside/Northside Basketball Game at UAFS (pep band)</u> |
| March | + 6 | F | Solo and Ensemble in Russellville |
| | * 19 | Th | Region II Concert & Sight Reading Assessment – Alma (TENTATIVE) |
| | 20 | F | No School – Parent-Teacher Conferences 8:30 – 11:30 am |
| | 23-27 | M-F | Spring break |
| | 30 | M | <u>Classes resume</u> |
| April | * 7,8,9 | Tues-Thurs | Region II Concert & Sight Reading Assessment – Alma (TENTATIVE) |
| | 10 | F | <u>Good Friday – No School</u> |
| May | * 7 | Th | Band Spring Concert – 7:00 |
| | + 12 | T | Band Awards Picnic – 6:30 Ben Geren Park |
| | * 25 | M | Memorial Day - Rodeo Parade – 10:00am |
| | 27-29 | W-F | Semester Exams |
| | * 28 | Th | Southside Commencement |
| | 29 | F | <u>Last day of school</u> |
| June | 3-8 | W-M | Hawaii Performance Trip |

(*) PARTICIPATION REQUIRED

(+) PARTICIPATION STRONGLY RECOMMENDED

Here are some testing dates that you might want to note:

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| September 13 | ACT Test |
| October 15 | PSAT Test (During school day) |
| October 25 | ACT Test |
| December 13 | ACT Test |
| February 7 | ACT Test |
| April 4 | ACT Test |
| June 13 | ACT Test |

The Southside Band will have a required 7:15AM full band rehearsal each Thursday through marching season. In addition to this early rehearsal, each student will also have one required section class per week beginning September 15th to work on a course of study designed to help them progress as musicians on their instrument and also to prepare their All-Region/All-State tryout music. The students will be graded each week on assigned exercises and scales. *A major emphasis is put on this course of study and a large portion of their first semester band grade is determined by these weekly grades.* The weekly section class schedule is:

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| Monday 7:15AM | Trumpets and Saxophones |
| Tuesday 7:15AM | Bb Clarinets and French Horns |
| Wednesday 7:15AM | Flutes, Trombones, Euphoniums, and Tubas |
| Friday 7:15AM | All Percussion, Oboes, Bassoons, and Low Clarinets |

In order to help get our show on the ground before we start section classes, we will also have required 7:15AM full band rehearsals on these dates:

Tuesday, August 26
Tuesday, September 9

Except for our majorettes and color guard on Tuesdays and Thursdays, we have no scheduled rehearsals after school. We understand the demands placed on our students with homework, church, work, family, etc. and will not call full band rehearsals after school.

Summer band practices are on August 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, & 15. These are from 8:00 am to 12:00pm. On August 11 we not practice at the normal time but will practice from 5:00-9:00 pm. In addition to these rehearsals, the percussion will practice from 1:30-3:00 each day. The color guard will have their camp from 1:30-4:30 on August 5-8. These rehearsals are crucial. We had been able to practice for 11-12 days in the past. This summer we only have 10 rehearsals to learn 4 show tunes, 14 stands tunes, cadences, and pass-off marching fundamentals. It is critical that you be at every rehearsal.