

## West Catholic Band Schedule 2011-2012

Events marked \* - Students are bussed from WC; students will need to arrive approximately 90 minutes before events marked \*. Changes in arrival times will be announced to students and parents as events approach. **Underlined Events are the most important of the year and cannot be excused with the exception of serious conflicts, I.E. severe illness or death in the family.** If excused, all events are to be made up via Mr. LaPrise.

<b>July 25-29</b>	<b>Mon – Fri</b>	<b>Band Camp</b>	<b>@West Catholic</b>	<b>8 am to 4 pm</b>
All Tuesday Nts thru Oct 4		Required Rehearsals	@West Catholic	6:30 – 8:30pm
<b>Aug. 23, 24</b>	Tue/Wed.	Aug. Tune-ups	@West Catholic	6:30 - 8:30pm
<b>Aug. 25</b>	Thurs.	Pot Luck Performance	@WC	6:30 – 8:30pm
<b>*Aug. 26</b>	Fri	Football Game Perf.	@East Grand Rapids HS (arrive 2pm @WC) game time 4 pm*	
<b>Sept. 1</b>	Fri.	Football Performance	@WC (arrive 5:45)	6:45 pm
<b>Sept. 16</b>	Fri.	Football Performance	@WC (arrive 5:45)	6:45 pm
<b>*Sept. 17</b>	Sat.	Juvenile Diabetes Perf	@Ah-Nah-Ba-Wan Pk.	9:30 am *
<b>Sept. 30</b>	Fri.	Homecoming Perf.	@WC (arrive 5:45)	6:45 pm
<b>*Oct. 1</b>	Sat.	Pulaski Days Parade	@Downtown GR	11 am *
<b>Oct. 4</b>	Tue.	Last Tuesday Night	@WC	6:30 – 8:30pm
<b>*Oct. 8</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Grandville Comp.</b>	<b>@Grandville H.S.</b>	<b>late am TBA*</b>
<b>*Oct. 11</b>	<b>Tue.</b>	<b>MSBOA Fest.</b>	<b>@TBA</b>	<b>Early pm*</b>
<b>Oct. 14</b>	Fri.	Football Performance	@WC (arrive 5:45)	6:45 pm
<b>Oct. 28</b>	Fri.	Playoffs?	@TBA	TBA
(Please plan on several Friday playoff games.)				
<b>*Nov. 11</b>	Fri.	Veterans Day Parade	@Downtown GR	7:30 pm*
<b>Dec. 14</b>	Wed.	Christmas Concert	@TBA	7 pm
<b>Jan. 28</b>	Sat.	SYTF Dance (Parents only)	@WC	6:30–11:30pm
<b>Feb. 4</b>	Sat.	District Solo and Ens.	@TBA	TBA
<b>*Mar. 2 or 3</b>	<b>Fri/Sat</b>	<b>MSBOA Concert Fest.</b>	<b>@TBA</b>	<b>TBA*</b>
<b>March 7</b>	Wed.	Fine Arts Night	@WC (arrive 6:30)	7 pm
<b>March 17</b>	Sat.	Saint Patrick’s Parade	@Downtown GR	1 pm
<b>March 24</b>	Sat.	State Solo and Ens.	@TBA	TBA
<b>May 9</b>	Wed.	Spring Concert (SS)	@TBA	7 pm
<b>May 16</b>	Wed.	Honors Night Perf.	@WC	6:30 pm
<b>May 19</b>	Sat.	Thanks Boosters Party	@The LaPrise House	6:30 pm
(Parents only)				
<b>May 22</b>	Tue.	Graduation Perf.	@WC	5 pm
<b>*May 30</b>	Mon.	Memorial Day Parade	@Downtown GR	Eve. TBA*
<b>July 23 – 27</b>	<b>Mon. – Fri.</b>	<b>Band Camp 2012</b>	<b>@WC</b>	<b>8 am to 4 pm</b>
<b>July 31</b>	Tue.	Tuesday Night Rehearsals Begin		6:30 - 8:30pm

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All events have been scheduled to the best of our ability. In the event of change, updates will be given to students in class and parents via e-mail. There will be a separate jazz band schedule given to jazz band students at the first rehearsal in Sept. The same applies to those students playing in the musical's pit orchestra. Parents, please make your child responsible for his or her own schedule. It is their responsibility to know when and where events are taking place. Please quiz them on information throughout the year, so that you can start relying on them to know times, places, dress etc. After all, when they leave the comforts of WC and your home, they will not have anyone but themselves to keep track. Let's work together to teach them this lesson in high school; there are painful lessons they will learn later if we do not teach them this skill now. When they get their sports schedules, please have them highlight band conflicts so that they can resolve any issues in advance. Reasonable conflicts can always be worked out, but must be in advance. We will teach them this on the first day of band camp and continue to teach this throughout the year.

**If you get the chance, please check out many of the performances listed above. It has been my experience that your children want you there more than you know, even if they tell you different. Plus, you will thoroughly enjoy their musical work and progress throughout the year. I am looking forward to a wonderful 2011/2012 school year!**

**Mr. Darren M. LaPrise**