

PEP BAND INFO:

I am providing this info sheet to help you understand how pep band works at Central. Each year we receive many questions regarding the requirement. This packet contains specific schedules and assignments for the 2015-16 pep bands.

First, any student who is enrolled in the concert band, symphonic band or wind symphony is assigned to be in one of our pep bands (Pep Band A or Pep Band B). This year, we have a total of 8 games. Four games are scheduled for the fall semester and four games are scheduled for the spring semester. Each of the two bands (Pep A and B) is assigned to perform at 2 fall games and 2 spring games. However, many students choose to participate in additional games for extra credit. Extra credit will only go towards the semester grade in which it was earned. For example, a student who plays at an extra December game can only earn extra credit for fall semester.

Students who participate in pep band are admitted to the game without charge. There is not a uniform for pep band. School dress code is enforced. Band members should be in the band room by the posted report time to warm up and prepare music for the evening. Students perform between the JV and varsity games and at halftime of the varsity game. Students are dismissed from pep band after halftime of the varsity game. They may elect to watch the remainder of the game or to leave the premises. The band room will be locked after we have put everything away. So students returning to the game after half time should take ALL of their personal possessions with them.

CONFLICTS:

Students who are involved in other school sponsored activities, and may be **absent or significantly late** may need to **switch assignments** with another student to fulfill their requirement for pep band. Additionally, those students should fill out the **“Planned Absence Form”** which can be found online at www.maroons.org. Click on Forms, scroll down to “other forms.” Follow the directions from there.

Students should switch with someone who plays their **same part on their same instrument** so that proper instrumentation is preserved. Rosters are listed in score order so that students can easily find a replacement player when the need arises.

The requirement for pep band is a part of the student’s major grade for band and counts for 100 points in the performance category of the grade. Failure to participate in the required games (TWO in fall and TWO in spring) will result in the grade of zero for each game missed, which will have a profound, negative impact on the student’s grade. Every year we have one or two students who do not participate in pep band then realize - once it’s too late - that their grade has suffered. Students who arrive late for the posted warm up time or who do not participate during the game will lose points from the overall score for pep band. We hope the information in this packet will help you to avoid that situation. Please feel free to contact any of the band faculty if you need further clarification.

Thank you,
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FALL SEMESTER:

Each band student must attend and perform for **two fall games** for credit. If you need to change dates from what is assigned, you need to find a suitable substitute from the other pep band roster to trade with you. You will earn extra credit for your fall grade by attending both December games.

FALL SEMESTER				
Band	Date	Day	Opponent	Report Time
Pep Band A	12/4/2015	Friday	Normal West (boys)	6:25 p.m.
Pep Band A	12/7/2015	Monday	Urbana (girls)	6:25 p.m.
Pep Band B	12/8/2015	Tuesday	Urbana (boys)	6:25 p.m.
Pep Band B	12/10/2015	Thursday	Centennial (girls)	6:25 p.m.

SPRING SEMESTER:

Each band student must attend and perform for **two spring games** for credit. If you need to change dates from what is assigned, you need to find a suitable substitute from the other pep band roster to trade with you. You will earn extra credit for your spring band grade by attending a third or fourth spring game.

SPRING SEMESTER				
Band	Date	Day	Opponent	Report Time
Pep Band B	1/9/2016	Saturday	Centennial (boys)	6:25 p.m.
Pep Band A	1/15/2016	Friday	Peoria (boys)	6:25 p.m.
Pep Band B	2/12/2016	Friday	Bloomington	6:25 p.m.
Pep Band A	2/19/2016	Friday	Danville	6:25 p.m.

*** LASTLY *** If for some reason, your name does not appear on either roster, you should let one of your band teachers know immediately. Any oversight of this type does not indicate that you are excused from pep band. Please let us know if there is an error so we can correct it.