



RANGER REGIMENT 101

OR...EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL
BAND BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK.

YOUR DIRECTORS

- **Derrick Doyle – Director of Bands, ddoyle@ems-isd.net**
- **Emily Rivers - Associate Director, erivers@ems-isd.net**
- **Ryan Miller - Director of Percussion, rmiller@ems-isd.net**
- **Molly Owen – Color Guard Director, mowen01@ems-isd.net**



COMMUNICATION

➤ Remind

- Text @ctregiment to 81010
- For new members only: Text @rrnm21 to 81010

➤ Facebook

- <https://www.facebook.com/CTRangerRegiment/> or search for @CTRangerRegiment

➤ Twitter

- Text Follow @RangerRegiment to 40404 (No twitter account needed!)
- @CTHSPercussion
- @CTHSColorGuard

➤ CTHS Band Website

- <http://emsisd.com/Page/13701>

➤ Band Booster Website

- <http://cthsrangerregiment.org>



CONCERT BAND AUDITIONS

- **Wind Ensemble** – Top Band, almost all students here are taking private lessons
- **Symphonic Band** – Second Band, Students encouraged to take lessons
- **Concert Band** – Third Band, Students encouraged to take lessons
- **Concert Winds** – Fourth Band, Students encouraged to take lessons
- Wind Ensemble, Symphonic, and Concert Band are UIL competing ensembles. All bands perform at Winter and Spring Concerts. Eligibility, attendance, concert attire, and dedication are consistent at every level.
- ***Auditions this year are a mix of in-person and online - students will receive more information soon from their MS directors. If not, email ddoyle@ems-isd.net!***
- ***Auditions will be completed by May 21st.***



DRUMLINE AUDITIONS

- April 29th, May 4th, May 6th, May 13th (5:00-6:30pm)
- ***Students will be placed into two groups:***
 - *Battery - march on the field in the competition show*
 - *Front Ensemble - mostly keyboard instruments at front of field*

For more information please
contact Ryan Miller at
rmiller@ems-isd.net



COLOR GUARD AUDITIONS

EMSISD COLOR GUARD AUDITIONS

April 26th - 29th
5pm - 7pm

BHS - rluu@ems-isd.net

CTHS - mowen01@ems-isd.net

SHS - agrossman@ems-isd.net



ARENA SCHEDULING

What is Arena Scheduling?

Arena Scheduling is the process by which your child will select his/her course schedule for the 2021-2022 school year, down to the class period they are taking each course.

When do Students Select their Schedule? - I don't have an answer to this right now; I talked to the Counseling office today, and they haven't released that date.

When you do your Arena Scheduling, don't worry if the band class you see is not yet accurate. Do the best you can with the rest of your schedule, and we will be working with the counselors to make sure you are placed in the correct band class.

REGISTRATION & FEES

- ***Band Registration will be partially online for the 2021-2022 school year.***
- There are two parts to your online registration.
 - First will be the online form set up by the Band Boosters organization. This is where you give us your contact information, and begin the process of ordering merchandise and paying band fees.
 - Second will be your RankOne registration. This includes required permission slips through the district, such as the Band Contract, UIL 8-Hour Rule Acknowledgement, Drug Testing Consent Form, etc. This is also where you will get the required Medical History Form and Pre-Participation Physical form that we will talk about later.
- The Band Booster Registration Form is online NOW: <https://bit.ly/3say7WX>. We will put out the link through Twitter, Facebook, Remind and email. ***Please complete your ONLINE registration as soon as possible, and by May 21st at the latest.***
- We will send instructions for RankOne signup through Twitter, Facebook, Remind, and email once we have been notified that it is available. The forms on the RankOne site (including Medical History Form and Physical exam form) must be filled out before a student can participate in 2020 marching band activities.




REGISTRATION & FEES

- *In-Person Band Registration will take place on Friday, May 21st and Saturday, May 22nd*
- *Friday, May 21st (6-9pm) - Returning Members*
- *Saturday, May 22nd (9am-3pm) - New Members*



PHYSICALS FOR BAND MEMBERS

- ALL students participating in marching band are now required to obtain a physical exam, just like the physical exams that have been required of our student-athletes for years.
 - If your student is in band AND athletics, they only have to get a physical ONCE, but will need to make a copy of the form and submit to both band directors AND athletic trainers.
 - As we mentioned earlier, the required Medical History Form and the Pre-Participation Physical Form will be available through the RankOne website, and we will let you know when those forms are ready.
- 

CTHS BAND FEES

INCLUDES: Meals, Show Shirt, Luggage Tag, Instruction, Transportation, Entry Fees, Show Design, 10 Ranger Regiment Discount Cards

Band Fees per student - \$525

New Student Purchases - \$210

Total = \$735

Payment Plans starting at Registration through November available. (6 Months)

A \$150 minimum deposit is due when you register (by May 22nd)

A \$25 discount will be credited to any account paid in full by May 22nd

A \$25 per child discount will be credited to any family with multiple band students



WHAT DOES A YEAR OF BAND COST?

➤ **FOOD - \$44,000**

- Students will be fed at summer band days, football games, and marching contests.

➤ **CONTEST FEES - \$3,000**

➤ **EQUIPMENT TRUCK RENTAL & TRAILER UPDATES - \$8,000**

➤ **COLOR GUARD SPECIALIST SALARY - \$15,000**

➤ **COLOR GUARD TECH - \$4,000**



WHAT DOES A YEAR OF BAND COST?

- **SUMMER BAND SECTIONAL INSTRUCTION - \$2400**
- **MARCHING BAND TECH PAYMENTS (Summer & Fall) - \$12,000**
- **MARCHING BAND SHOW DESIGN (Concept, Music, Drill) - \$20,000**
- **MARCHING BAND VISUAL ELEMENTS - \$15,000**



WHAT DOES A YEAR OF BAND COST?

- **SHOW SHIRT- \$2200**
- **LUGGAGE TAGS - \$600**
- **PRIVATE LESSON SCHOLARSHIPS - \$5000**
- **STUDENT LEADERSHIP CAMP - \$3000**

THAT'S A TOTAL OF \$134,200

WITH 180 STUDENTS IN THE PROGRAM, WITHOUT ANY FUNDRAISING, THAT WOULD BE ABOUT **\$745 PER STUDENT, *PLUS INDIVIDUAL ITEMS THAT ALL NEW MEMBERS NEED.***



OUR FUNDRAISING GOALS

TO KEEP FEES AS LOW AS POSSIBLE, OUR GOAL IS TO FUNDRAISE \$50,000 THIS YEAR

WITH A YEAR OF SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING, WE WILL BE ABLE TO FUND THE BAND'S NEEDS AND KEEP FEES LOW IN YEARS TO COME.

THIS IS WHY WE NEED EVERY STUDENT AND EVERY PARENT INVOLVED WITH OUR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!



VOLUNTARY SUMMER WORK

➤ **Fitness Camps**

- These are voluntary workouts that we hold here at CTHS during the summer; we haven't set a schedule yet.

➤ **Sectionals**

- For the past two years, we have waited until July to start any music sectionals
- *We will be sending out information concerning both Fitness Camps and Sectionals via Twitter, Remind, Facebook, and email*



PERCUSSION CAMPS

- For CTHS Percussion Members Only
- Fundamental marching percussion technique used by CTHS Percussion will be learned, as well as music for the 2021 Ranger Regiment marching show.
- **REQUIRED** for all CTHS Percussion Members
- ***Mini-Camp: June 1st-4th (1-5pm)***
- ***Full Percussion Camp: July 19th-23rd (8am-5pm)***

For more information please contact Ryan Miller at rmiller@ems-isd.net



GUARD CAMP

- For CTHS Color Guard Members Only
- **Guard Mini-Camp:** May 24th-May 27th (5:30-7:30pm)
- **Full Guard Camp:** July 19th-22nd (10am-5pm)

For more information please contact
Molly Owen at mowen01@ems-isd.net



SUMMER BAND CAMP

- *Monday, July 26th - Friday, July 30th (8 – 5pm)*
- *Monday, August 2nd - Friday, August 6th (8-5pm)*
- *Saturday, August 7th - 8am-12pm (Picture Day/Logistics Run-throughs)*
- *Monday, August 9th - Thursday, August 12th (5 - 9pm)*
- *Friday, Aug 13th (5 - 8pm), followed by Parent Night (8-9pm)*

- Both drill and music used during marching season will be learned. Lunch will be provided; this is part of your Band Fees.
- **REQUIRED** for **ALL** CTHS Band Members



VARSIY/Shadow

- **EVERYONE IS A PARTICIPATING MEMBER OF THE CTHS RANGER REGIMENT!!!**
- **ALL** learn basic marching and drill fundamentals.
- **ALL** participate in the stands at **ALL** football games and pep rallies.
- **VARSIY** group competes at marching contests and performs at ALL halftime performances for football games.
- Varsity spots are limited and open to audition **ONLY** during the first few days of summer band.
- **Shadow** may participate in **some** halftime performances, and **some** members may be utilized for props, equipment help, or any other position within the varsity group deemed necessary for that season. Participation and attendance will factor into selecting individuals to participate with the varsity group.
- **Shadow** **MAY** be assigned a separate rehearsal schedule based on the responsibilities they are assigned.
- Eligibility, attendance, preparation, etc... can also affect Varsity status.



FOOTBALL GAMES

- Held every Thursday, Friday, or Saturday every week during September, October, and the first two weeks in November (our last game is typically the first weekend in November).
- **REQUIRED** attendance by ALL CTHS Band Members.
- Our primary focus is to provide support for our team, and entertainment for our fans.
- We will be involved during all four quarters of the game, and we will either march at Halftime or Postgame.
- All students are dismissed together from the band hall after EVERYTHING is unloaded, put away and accounted for. (Sometimes this takes a little while.)



MARCHING CONTESTS

- Late September through early November is Marching Contest Season!
- Attendance **REQUIRED** for all CTHS Band Members
- Parents are encouraged to attend all contest performances, and to cheer on **ALL** bands
- The following is our schedule of marching contests for this year:
 - September 25th - USBands Regional (Saginaw HS)
 - October 2nd - **NO CONTEST (Football Bye Week & SAT Test Date)**
 - October 9th - USBands Regional (Burleson HS)
 - October 12th - UIL Region 30 Marching Contest (Saginaw HS)
 - October 16th - Birdville Marching Festival (Birdville HS)
 - October 23rd - UIL Area Marching Contest (TBA)



ELIGIBILITY

- No Pass, No Play applies to any ***competitive*** activity ALL year. This includes Marching Band, All-Region auditions, Solo & Ensemble Contest, Winter Guard, etc.
- It does NOT apply to our concerts that we hold here on our campus (Christmas concert, Spring concert, etc.), nor does it apply to UIL Region Concert & Sightreading (this is seen as an assessment, not a competition).
- **EVERYONE** who passed the previous grade is eligible until end of 1st 6 Weeks.
- Students must pass **ALL CLASSES** the **FIRST** 6 weeks in order to participate with the marching band at contests in October.



ATTENDANCE

- Good attendance is necessary for the band to be successful.
- Rehearsals start at indicated time; students must be **READY TO PLAY** at that time.
- Absences need to be communicated to the band director 24 hours in advance when possible. Please call or email.
- Examples of an excused absence: illness, injury, doctors' appointment (with a note), death in the family, etc...
- Examples of unexcused absences: birthday, shopping, hair appointment, drivers license testing, etc...
- Please plan ahead for any appointments, extensive dental work, SAT, ACT, etc...
 - ***If you're taking the ACT, avoid the October 23rd test date this year***



EQUIPMENT

➤ **WOODWINDS and BRASS**

- For most instruments, it is best to have 2 instruments: one for marching, one for concert, if possible.
- School-owned instruments will be issued one for each season.
- Detailed equipment recommendations are found in the CTHS Band Handbook (available on the CTHS Band website)

➤ **PERCUSSION**

- Details are available in the CTHS Band Handbook; for further questions, ask Mr. Miller (rmiller@ems-isd.net)



PRIVATE LESSONS

- Provides one-on-one expert instruction.
- Provides the **MAXIMUM** opportunity for musical growth.
- Highly necessary and recommended to be successful in All-Region, All-Area, All-State, and Solo & Ensemble contests.
- Available during the summer.
- \$19 per half hour lesson
- Highly encouraged for **ALL** members!
- Specific contact information will be provided online. **SUMMER LESSONS AVAILABLE!**



BAND BOOSTERS

- Who are they?
- What do they do?
- Fundraisers?
- How do you get involved?
- Meetings?

Booster Officers & Committee Chairs

President: Melissa Stearman/**Looking for new Pres**

Vice President: Vicki Miertschin/Crystal Velasquez

Secretary: Veronica Salinas/Kristin Warthen

Treasurer: Rebecca Westhoff

Equipment:

Uniforms:

Hospitality: Diana Nava

Concessions: Kristy Swaim

Sales: Kathy Strickland

Fundraising:

Color Guard Representative: Melanie Bridges

Percussion Representative: Jesse Kersten

For more information and/or interest in running please contact Melissa Stearman at ctrbbpresident@gmail.com



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do you have any questions for us?

This presentation will be posted on our website tonight for future reference.

