



# THE NORMAL MARCHING BAND

## *Eighth Grade Night at Normal West*

AT THE HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2023

### What to bring

**All eighth graders who will attend NCHS or NCWHS next year are invited to attend!**

If you are unable to join us on October 6, we hope you can join us at the Eighth Grade Night at Normal Community on Friday, September 22!

Yourself! (Wear black/silver or your school's spirit clothes, and dress for the weather!)

Your instrument – Percussionists, bring drum sticks!

Your music – see your band director for a copy of the Pep Music

A great attitude, and be ready for a good time!

### *Schedule for the Evening*

5:15 PM

**Tailgate/Cookout** (Eighth Grade Musicians, HS Musicians, and families)

The band will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and condiments. Bring your own beverage and/or individually-wrapped sides/desserts for yourself or to share with friends.

6:00 PM

**Warm Up and Rehearsal** (Eighth Grade Musicians and HS Musicians)

Meet in the northwest parking lot, near Door H and the soccer stadium.

**Parent Welcome in Auditorium**

6:25 PM

**March to the Stadium** (Eighth Grade Musicians and HS Musicians)

The high school band will perform the National Anthem prior to the game, and the eighth grade musicians will join on the field for the home team's starting lineup tunnel.

**During the game, we invite eighth grade parents to join the high school parents in the bleachers. (There is generally a group near the top, off of the north 40 yard line.)**

Game Time

**All Musicians will play pep music in the bleachers**

Eighth Graders will have the opportunity to see the NMB Competition Show during halftime.

**We expect the evening to end between 9:30 and 10:30 PM**, depending on the pace of the game. Students may call or text for a ride at the end of the evening.

### *A Note from the NMB Directors*

Join us at either of the NMB Eighth Grade Nights! (September 22 at NCHS or October 6 at NCWHS) We also look forward to having you in high school band, and we hope you will consider being a part of the Normal Marching Band, *the Pride of Unit 5!*

