



# THE NORMAL MARCHING BAND

## *Eighth Grade Night at Normal Community*

AT THE HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

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

If you are unable to join us on September 13, we hope you can join us at the Eighth Grade Night at Normal West on Friday, September 27!

### **What to bring**

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

Your instrument – Percussionists, bring drum sticks!

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, brats, chips, and cookies. Bring your own beverage and/or individually-wrapped sides/desserts for yourself or to share with friends. Look for us behind the school, on the northeast side, near the auditorium.

6:00 PM

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

**Parent Welcome in Auditorium**

Park in the faculty parking lot on the east side of the building, enter Door E.

6:25 PM

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

**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, behind the band.)**

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.

**Eighth graders can be picked up after halftime, likely between 8:45 and 9:00 PM,** depending on the pace of the game. You are also welcome to stay to the end, which typically wraps up at about 10:00 PM. 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 13 at NCHS or September 27 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!*

