



THE NORMAL MARCHING BAND

Eighth Grade Night at Normal West

AT THE HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

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 September 27, we hope you can join us at the Eighth Grade Night at Normal Community on Friday, September 13!

Yourself! (Wear black/silver 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, hamburgers, and condiments. Bring your own beverage and/or individually-wrapped sides/desserts for yourself or to share with friends. Find us on the north lawn, near the auditorium.

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.
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!*

