CHARMS

Communication is key! The Platt Band uses the CHARMS communication tool. Students and parents can receive up-to-date information about the band program and have immediate access to:

- Schedule of events
- Grades
- Student financial information
- Instrument and uniform requirements
- Music
- Volunteer opportunities
- and so much more!

All students are given their own personal login information.



Other Links:

www.plattband.weebly.com
www.platths.com
www.meridenarts.com



Listen to What the Band Says . . .

"Every person in this band is important in their own way. Everyone has something to offer."

"We like to be together and make sydney Fogarty good music."

"I love meeting new people and building new friendships." - Tatiana Hernandez

BAND > LIFE -Matt Mordarski

"Push yourself!! If you don't push yourself you will never learn what you can and can't do."

You can create fun memories that
will last forever! -Martha Gancarz

We put aside all differences and come together for one thing, our love of music. -Christine Pandiani

"All of our skills help each other."

"Music is the great uniter. An incredible force. Something that people who differ on everything and anything else can have in common."

- Sarah Dessen, Just Listen





Why Should I Join The Platt Band?



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* MISSION * GOALS * * PHILOSOPHY *

The Platt Band program challenges students in the areas of musicianship and personal growth. Student musicianship will be encouraged and challenged through continued development of technical skills and aesthetic values that will lead to a lifetime of music performance and appreciation. Personal growth will be encouraged and challenged through the development of the personal and interpersonal skills necessary to produce a successful cooperative group effort.



Top 10 Reasons to Join Band

10. Learn a new instrument.

- 9. Be part of a TEAM!
- 8. Strengthen your academic success because of music training.
- 7. Learn the values of cooperation, communication, and completion.
- 6. Build positive self-worth; everyone plays an important role.
- 5. Develop leadership skills.
- 4. Perform. Perform. Perform.
- 3. Make new friends.
- 2. Become excellent at your instrument.
- 1. PLATT BAND IS AWESOME!

... And it's SO MUCH FUN!!



AMAZING BAND OPPORTUNITIES

Marching Band - Perform outdoors at football games, parades, and Band Festivals. Experience the exhilaration of learning drills, formations and performing the half-time show at home games.

Concert Band - Great opportunity to learn a variety of music styles and compositions. There are three scheduled concerts during the year. Plenty of playing time!

Jazz Ensemble - This course meets 2 nights a week to prepare a jazz repertoire for performances at school and public events. Engage in Big Band, classic and modern jazz styles!

Band Accelerated - Band Accelerated is designed for the highly motivated student looking for a rigorous and demanding music program experience. The class meets during the same time slot as Band, period 5. Challenge yourself!

Color Guard - This is an athletic, dance-infused element of the marching band utilizing choreographed flag and body movements. Perform with the band at football games, parades and festivals.

Pit Band - Volunteer to be in the "pit" for the school musical.

CMEA Regional Audition - Audition to be a part of the Southern Regional Music Association— an elite group of students who come together in excellence.

All-State Band - If you are chosen for Regionals, you will have the opportunity to audition for the All-State Band. The cream of the crop!

Band Trips - Amazing opportunity for band members to travel together to experience workshops and performances with other bands from around the country. An experience you'll never forget!

Leadership - A variety of leadership training opportunities are offered for students who want to become "leaders of the band!"

New instrument? Think you might want to try your hand at a new instrument? Don't hesitate to ask.

How do I join?

Make an appointment with your Guidance Counselor to be sure you are scheduled for the high school band. Parents can call the high school Guidance Department to ensure registration is complete. 203-235-7962

BAND CAMP. REALLY?

Band Camp is a mandatory requirement for all Band Members. It is held one week prior to the start of school.

First year students meet with the Band Leadership Team a few days prior to the full start of camp for all students.

Don't knock it before you try it!!

Band Camp allows you to meet your band mates before the start of school, all while you are freshening up your playing skills and becoming a unified team.

Just think - on the first day of school, you will have 50 friends greeting you in the hallways!

Keep your parents busy!

The Platt Performing Arts Boosters offer assistance to the Platt High School Performing Arts programs and its faculty in providing a well-rounded instrumental, choral and theater/drama educational experience for our students.

Members of the boosters are <u>parent</u> <u>volunteers</u> and help to promote the activities and interests of the faculty and students by providing operational, financial and logistical support to these performing arts programs at Platt High School.

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