

Revised July 21, 2020

AUSTINTOWN FITCH BAND

2020/2021 SCHEDULE

All information and updates are posted on the website: www.afband.org

Follow us on Facebook: Austintown Band Parents, Inc

Google Classroom: Austintown Fitch Marching Band - Class Code: 2luzhad

Please note the change in the Google Classroom Class Code

Drum Line and Lines (Flag, Rifle, Color Guard) have extra rehearsals scheduled, due to the specific nature of those units.

Due to COVID-19 and the cancellation of the 4th of July Parade, all rehearsals and meetings in June, leading up to the 4th of July is cancelled. The 4th of July Parade has been moved to Saturday September 12 and will be called "Freedom Week" because it is the weekend of September 11. More details will be TBA as the summer progresses. Please note the change in schedule below and plan accordingly.

For all marching rehearsals – Wear athletic clothes and shoes, DO NOT wear flip flops, sandals, or any other type of non-athletic shoe. Bring a water bottle with your name on it, a mask, Use sunscreen. You will be outside each day

Monday July 27 and Tuesday July 28

Expectations: Drum Line review street beats, #1 through #4.

Lines Review #1 through #4 and Parade Marching

9:00 am-12 noon – Drum Line, Flag Line, Rifle Line, Color Guard Mini-Camp

Wednesday July 29

9:00 am-12 noon – Leadership Meeting, Drum Line Rehearsal, Rifle, Flag, Color Guard Practice

(Drum Majors, Line Captains, Section Leaders)

(Uniform fitting for these students)

Thursday July 30

9:00 am-12 noon - Incoming Freshman, Leaders, Captains, Drum Line Rehearsal, Rifle, Flag, Color Guard Practice

(Freshman, Drum Line, Lines, Section leaders)

(Uniform fitting for these students)

Expectations: Teach incoming Freshmen marching fundamentals, Drum Line review street beats, Lines review #1 through #4

WEEK ONE

August 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

Expectations: Review marching fundamentals, teach Show 1, Show 2, review all music.

Thursday August 6

Friday August 7

Band Camp: 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

Handel's Spirit Night

Band Rehearsal: 8:00 am – 12:00 noon

BAND PICTURES: 4:00 – 7:00 pm

WEEK TWO

August 10, 11, 12, 13

Expectations: Review Show 1 and Show 2 music and drill, begin Closing drill and music. Show 1 and Show 2 music must be memorized.

9:00 am-12 noon - Full band

WEEK THREE

August 17, 18, 19, 20

Expectations: Run-Through Show 1 and Show 2, polish Closer, begin Pregame and Senior Show. Pregame music must be memorized.

9:00 am-12 noon - Full band

WEEK FOUR

August 24, 25, 26

Expectations: Run Through and polish Show 1, Show 2, Closer, Pregame, and Counter marching

9:00 am-12 noon - Full band

Thursday August 27 Parent Preview Night. Rehearsal at 6:00pm, Preview begins at 7:00/7:30 (After football scrimmage)

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Home Games – Rehearsal from 4:30-5:15

Away Games – Rehearsal from 4:15 to 5:00 pm, load buses and on the road at 5:20pm

There will be changes in the away game day rehearsal times due to the distance we have to travel.

The rehearsals before performances are crucial! Once school starts, they are our only full band rehearsals. *Attendance is expected and must be compulsory.*

After *Game Day* Rehearsal: Uniform distribution.

After Performance: Uniforms are turned in. They must be properly on the hangers. Hats go in the bin.

Take your Dinkles home

Uniform: Full Marching Uniform – Jacket, Sash, Blue Pants, Hat, Black Socks and Black Dinkles.

The Red Band T-Shirt must be underneath the jacket!

*The times indicated for band nights and Canfield Fair performances are the rehearsal times. Kickoff times are indicated for the football games. All rehearsals are either in the stadium or parking lot.

Thursday August 27	Parent Preview Night (6:00 pm rehearsal, 7:00/7:30 pm start)
Friday August 28	East HS from Erie, PA (Home, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Saturday August 29	Girard band Night (5:30 Rehearsal, 7:00 pm start)
Tuesday September 1	Canfield Band Night (5:00 pm rehearsal, 7:00 pm start)

Wednesday September 2	Fitch Band Night (5:00 pm rehearsal, 7:00 pm start)
Friday September 4	Ursuline (Away, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Friday September 11	Glen Oak (Home, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Saturday September 12	Freedom Week Parade (rescheduled 4 th of July Parade)

10:00 am Band Room opens, 11:00 meet at Highway Tabernacle, Parade begins at 12:00

Friday September 18	Warren Harding (Home, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Friday September 25	Benedictine (Away, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Friday October 2	Massillon Washington (Away, 7:30 pm kickoff)
Friday October 9	Bishop Hartley (Away, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Friday October 16	Erie McDowell (Away, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Friday October 23	Boardman (Home, 7:00 pm kickoff)
Friday October 30	Mooney (Home, 7:00 pm kickoff)

POSSIBLE PLAYOFF GAMES

Playoff games are on Fridays in November. Games start at 7:30. Rehearsals before the game and the location of the game is TBA.

Be prepared for playoff games – We may not know until the Monday after the last regular season game.

The attendance policy will still be in effect for playoff games.

Other Performances: *(times indicated are the starting times)*

Sunday November 8	Chili Cook-Off and Veteran's Day Concert <i>(Chili Cook-Off 2-4pm in Cafeteria, Concert 5:00pm in Gymnasium)</i>
Sunday December 13	Christmas Concert (7:00 pm, Fitch Auditorium)
Thursday December 17	Holiday Jazz Festival (7:00 pm, Fitch Auditorium)

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Saturday January 30	Jazz and Dessert Festival at AMS <i>(Jazz Ensembles Only)</i>
Saturday February 13	Solo and Ensemble (Location TBA)
Saturday February 27	Spaghetti Dinner (Fitch Cafeteria)
Wednesday March 3	Annual Concert (7:00 pm, Fitch Auditorium)

Thursday May 6	Spring Concert (7:00 pm, Fitch Auditorium)
Thursday May 13	Spring Jazz Festival (7:00 pm, Fitch Auditorium)
Sunday May 23	Commencement (TBA)
Monday May 31	Memorial Day Parade (10:00 am)

*****Please keep checking the website and Google Classroom for changes and/or updates.**

ADDENDUM 2020

The schedule above is our set schedule for the Summer of 2020 and the 2020/2021 school year.

Normally, this would be a typical summer marching band rehearsal schedule. However, due to COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing, quarantines, school closings, government restrictions, etc., the summer schedule can easily and quickly change.

At this point, (May 1st, 2020), nothing is certain. If we find ourselves still under quarantine in the middle of June and parades and other events get canceled, then we will follow the guidelines set by our State Government, Ohio Department of Education, and the Administration of the Austintown Local Schools. A new schedule will be made and we would move on from there.

This is a situation where we, as a band, will have to take things week by week. If you have not signed up for Google Classroom, please do so: Austintown Fitch Marching Band - Class Code: 2luzhad That will be our means for getting information to you as things progress.

You can also follow us on Facebook at: Austintown Band Parents, Inc. and check our website: www.afband.org

However, Google Classroom will be our first avenue to communicating and distributing information to you.

Please stay safe and healthy throughout this pandemic. It will pass. #FitchBandStrong