

February 23, 2025

Band Families,

Friday made for a long week :). This week will feel VERY long but we will end strong! We host OSSAA Solo and Ensemble contest Saturday!

All wind players (brass and woodwinds) have their chamber recital in the band hall on Thursday at 7pm. We will get through each ensemble as an opportunity to perform before the district contest!

Saturday's shifts are posted in the Band Hall. Make sure you are signed up and double check if you have a conflict (working while performing).

Schedule For The Week

- 2/24 Monday 7:30am Concert Band Rehearsal
- 2/25 Tuesday 7:30am Concert Band Rehearsal
- 2/26 Wednesday 7:30am Concert Band Rehearsal
- 2/27 Thursday 7:30am Concert Band Rehearsal
- 2/28 Friday 7:30am Concert Band Rehearsal
- 3/1 Saturday OSSAA District Solo & Ensemble Contest

Quick Glance | Further Planning

- 2/27 Chamber Winds Recital 7:00pm NHS Band Hall
- 3/1 OSSAA Solo & Ensemble Contest
- 3/9 Ensembles perform at The Standard 4:30-7:30
- 3/13 All City Rehearsal | 0 hour at NNHS
- 3/15 Spring Break!!!

Solos & Ensembles

We could always use more workers, but we are *close* to having all student shifts covered. Make sure you triple check your shift you are scheduled to work on Saturday, as well as if/when you are playing. If there is a conflict, let's get it worked out asap!

Student [Sign up to work via this link!](#)

Parents please sign up to donate food supplies

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094BAFA82EAAFCC52-55211888-2025#/>

and/or Volunteer for a 2-hr shift to help sell snacks, pizza, and BBQ

Fundraising

- **FINAL WEEK: LOMA Raffle Ticket Fundraiser--** The LOMA (Local Oklahoma Music Association) raffle ticket fundraiser provides important funding that our band uses for instruments, instrument repair, print & electronic music, equipment, student fees and clinicians. 100% of all the funds raised by selling raffle tickets comes directly back to the NHS Band! Raffle tickets are \$10 each and will be on sale through February 28, 2025. 1st prize is \$25,000 cash! Tickets are available in the band office.
Sell your 10 and NHBA is entering your name to a \$50 gift card drawing!!!
- **NEW "FLOWER POWER" INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY BEGINS MARCH 1!** Does your student still need to pay band dues? Are they planning to go on the band trip to NYC next spring? If so, our next individual fundraising opportunity begins on March 1! Starting next Sunday, students can sell spring flower bulbs, dahlias, lilies, seed mats and more through our new Flower Power fundraiser---all delivered directly to your customer's door anywhere in the US! Your student will receive credit for 50% of all orders placed by your friends and family. See attached flyer and stay tuned for more information!

NHBA

Solo & Ensemble

Every year, NHS hosts the regional Solo and Ensemble contest and NHBA runs a concession stand to help feed the musicians, as well as the judges and student volunteers. This year's contest is **Saturday, March 1st** (less than a week away!) and we need your help!

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Big Band Dinner Dance

The date for the BBDD event is **Saturday, March 29** — our wonderful Jazz Band will play while attendees dance the night away. This is our biggest fundraising event of the year, and we hope many people from our community will attend! [Here's the link for tickets](#) — please share with friends and family! Get them **before March 1** for the Early Bird Discount.

Officer Elections & Committee Chair Appointments

Would you like to be an NHBA officer or committee chair next year? We will nominate new officers in March. Here are some areas where we may need people to lead:

- Vice President
- Assistant Treasurer
- Secretary
- Fundraising
- Marching contest meals
- Concession stands for OSCDA/Solo & Ensemble
- Receptions (8th grade night, Senior night, solo & ensemble judges' hospitality, Band Awards)

Please let Meredith Westmoreland know if you have any questions or are interested in supporting the band in any of these ways. Our goal is always to form committees and have a team, never to do the work alone! Many hands make light work! Nhbapresident@gmail.com, 405-568-1212

Mark your calendar

Our next **NHBA meeting is Thursday, March 27**, at 6:30 in the Band Hall. I hope you can attend! (Future meeting dates are listed in the calendar below — *note the date change for MAY, it has been adjusted back to the usual Thursday time slot.)

- **2/28** LOMA raffle sales deadline
- **3/1** Solo & Ensemble concession stand at NHS — please sign up to help!
- **3/1** Flower Power fundraiser begins
- **3/3** BBDD committee meeting, 6:00 location TBD
- **3/9** Fundraiser night at The Standard, 4:30-7:30
- **3/27** NHBA General Meeting at Band Hall, 6:30 *officer nominations
- **3/23-27** *il dolce* fundraiser week
- **3/29** Car-hopping at Classic 50's
- **3/29** Big Band Dinner Dance
- **4/15** ***TUESDAY*** NHBA General Meeting at Band Hall, 6:30 *officer elections
- **5/13** Spring Concert
- **5/14** ***THURSDAY*** NHBA General Meeting at Band Hall, 6:30
- **5/16** Band Awards Night
- **5/18** Jazz Concert

Follow us on social media! @nhs_nhba, Norman High Band Association, and Friends of Norman High Band (Don't forget to answer the membership questions!)

JOIN! You can find the membership form for NHBA [here](#).

If you have any questions about NHBA, please reach out to our President, Meredith Westmoreland, nhbapresident@gmail.com, 405-568-1212.