

Frequently Asked Questions

<u>Is there a band calendar?</u> Yes! You can view it at the school's website: arcadiaschools.org/Band.aspx

Can my student do football/volleyball/cheer and be in band?

ABSOLUTELY. The coaches and band staff work together to help both students succeed in whatever they are involved in. Students must be prepared to put in the time outside of band rehearsals to learn what they may have missed though!

What are Saturday Competitions?

In addition to playing for football games, the band performs at Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) adjudicated competitions. These competitions involve a panel of adjudicators that observe and evaluate the band's performance and offer advice and critique for improvement. The bands are also divided into classes based on school student population and bands are able to win various categories. The adjudicators will give a final 1-5 rating of the band and if the band receives a 1 (top score) they will qualify for state performances.

If my student will miss half of band camp, should they still be in it? Yes! A lot of the show is learned at band camp but the marching band season is from July – November so there is PLENTY of time to catch up and excel.

<u>How can I help?</u> This is actually a frequently asked question because Arcadia's school community is full of amazing people that love to help. Here are some ways:

- Become a music booster.
- Equipment management (pulling equipment carts, props, etc.)
- Prop construction and design.
- Feed the students at band camp or competitions.