

WSHS Band Awards Program

END OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Awards are tallied using the following activities and accomplishments point system. Scores will be collected around the end of May each year.

WSHS Band Letter Criteria

Students can access the form to apply for a letter electronically through a Google forms link that will be emailed by the Band Director.

The first letter awarded is a cloth letter. In subsequent years, a gold colored bar is awarded when a student meets the lettering criteria.

The following are the minimum criteria to apply for a band letter: To apply for a letter a band member must meet 4 out of the following 5 requirements. Once these minimum requirements are met the letter awards are made at the discretion of the band director.

1. Member in good standing of Marching Spartans (includes exemplary attendance at all marching band rehearsals and performances). Exemplary attendance is defined as not having any unexcused absences/tardies nor having more than two excused absences/tardies to all rehearsals and performances.
2. Audition for All-District Band
3. Exemplary attendance at all non-marching band activities (includes rehearsals).
4. Achieve a rating of I or II in the District Solo and Ensemble Festival in grade IV or higher.
5. Participate fully on Tag Day.



Color Guard Letter

For Color Guard members (who do not play an instrument in band) to apply, they must meet ALL of the following requirements. Once these minimum requirements are met the letter awards are made at the discretion of the band director.

1. Member in good standing of both the Fall and Winter Guards.
2. Exemplary attendance at all Band and Color Guard activities.
3. Participate fully on Tag Day.

Clef, Lyre, Honor Lyre and Aulos Awards



The Clef, Lyre, Honor Lyre and Aulos awards are given to those students who accumulate points during the school year based on the type and number of activities they participate in, the ratings they receive, their participation and their grade level. These awards are ribbon. The awards application form is used to calculate the point total.

Award Name	Points Required	Students Eligibility
Clef Award	15 points	9th grade or above
Lyre Award	20 points	10th grade or above
Honor Lyre Award	25 points	11th grade or above
Aulos Award	30 points and a research paper	12th grade

Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors Association Medals and Band Ribbons

MEDALS TO PURCHASE

These are musical medals that maybe collected to commemorate students accomplishments. These can be worn on letter jackets or collected in another ways. They identify special groups of students within the band. You must qualify for each medal you wish to purchase. Cost is \$3.00 per medal.



sample medals

Ensemble Medals

- All District Symphonic Band (Maroon)
- All District Concert Band (Orange)
- VBODA Marching Band (for superior rating)
- Honor Band

District Band/Orchestra Festival Medals

- Music Grade IV, V, VI will be included on ribbon
- Superior (Blue)
 - Excellent (Gray)

Solo & Ensemble Festival Medals*

- Music Grade IV, V, VI will be included on ribbon
*Note: unlike elementary or middle school all solo ensemble awards must be purchased
- Superior (Blue)
 - Excellent (Gray)

RIBBONS TO PURCHASE

These are musical ribbons that maybe collected to commemorate students accomplishments. These can be worn on letter jackets or collected in another ways. They identify special groups of students within the band. You must qualify for each ribbon you wish to purchase. Cost is \$3.00 per ribbon.

Class Position Ribbons

- Freshman
- Sophomore
- Junior
- Senior

Instrument Ribbon

- Indicate instrument and number years playing the instrument (first, second, third, fourth)

Band Ribbons (Participated in this year)

- Wind Symphony
- Symphonic Band
- Concert Band
- Marching Band
- Jazz Band

Organization Ribbons (participated in this year)

- Color Guard
- Winter Guard
- Drums
- Indoor Drumline

Participation Ribbons (denotes the year of participation)

- First year
- Second year
- Third year
- Fourth year

Band Honor Ribbons (Denote honors won by the band as a whole)

- District Assessment Superior Rating
- District Assessment Excellent Rating
- Marching Band Superior Ensemble Rating
- Marching Band Excellent Ensemble Rating

Individual Honor Ribbons (Denote honors by individual students)

- Superior Solo
- Excellent Solo
- Participated in District Band

Marching Band Leadership Ribbons

- Drum Major
- Captain
- Co-Captain
- Section Leader

