



# Discovery Middle School Bands

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## 2017-18 Band Events for the Discovery Bands

*(as of September 7, 2017)*

*(all concerts begin at **7pm** unless otherwise indicated)*

*(Details for each concert will be announced as we get closer to that date)*

Responsibility

Excellence

Success

Practice

Enthusiasm

Cooperation

Teamwork

**\*September 14**  
*(Thursday)*

### Band Parent Meeting for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> families

*(starting after Curriculum Night at **7:30pm** in the Band Room; makeup date will be Sept. 19 @6:00pm)*

**September 15**  
*(Friday)*

**8<sup>th</sup> grade band performs for Friday night football game!**  
**@ PCEP Varsity Stadium – more info to follow**  
*(Optional-8<sup>th</sup> grade band members only)*

**\*September 19**  
*(Tuesday)*

### Beginning Band Parent Meeting/Instrument Pickup (6-8pm)

*-Meeting, Instrument Pickup, and Final fitting for 6<sup>th</sup> grade families (feel free to bring a smart device if you wish)*

**October 17-31**

### Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Fundraiser!

*Our main fundraiser for the year! This fundraiser establishes our budget for the calendar year of (Jan.1-Dec. 31). It is my sincerest hope you will participate in support of our student's endeavors. For those who wish to donate instead of buy/sell, our **Bucks for Band** program will be a great choice for you!*

**\*October 24**  
*(Tuesday)*

### Fall Concert/Solo and Ensemble recitals

*(7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade)*

*-7<sup>th</sup> grade Brass begins at **6:00pm***

*-7<sup>th</sup> grade Woodwinds and Percussion begins at **6:45pm***

*-8<sup>th</sup> grade begins at **7:30pm***

**\*October 25**  
*(Wednesday)*

### Beginning Band First concert/Show and Tell

*(6<sup>th</sup> grade)*

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## **\*December 19**

*Dec. 5, 6, 12, 13, 18*

*Rehearsals right after school; Dates will be split between ALL bands and exact details for each band will be determined as we get closer to concert as we will better know the needs for each band.*

## **Winter Concert**

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*Dec. 19 Rehearsal:*

*In-school combined 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades*

## **January 11**

## **PCCS Cluster Concert at Salem HS Auditorium**

*(8<sup>th</sup> grade band members)*

**\*Late Jan. or  
Early Feb.**

**Potential Discovery Multicultural event  
(waiting for admin approval)**

**February 10  
(Saturday)**

## **MSBOA Solo and Ensemble Festival**

*(Elective event for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders-Livonia Franklin HS)*

## **\*March 1 (Thursday)**

*Feb. 13, 21, 27, 28*

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## **Mid-Winter Concert**

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*March 1 Rehearsal:*

*In-school combined 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades*

## **March 8-10**

**(8<sup>th</sup> grade will perform; 7<sup>th</sup> grade may perform depending on their progress; one day out of these three days listed will be chosen by the state music organization; more details as we get closer)**

## **MSBOA (Michigan School Band and Orchestra) Festival**

**(8<sup>th</sup> grade will perform; 7<sup>th</sup> grade may perform depending on their progress; one day out of these three days listed will be chosen by the state music organization; more details as we get closer)**

## **March 15 or 16**

## **MMEA Instrumental Clinic in Belleville**

*(8<sup>th</sup> grade only) – one day out of these two days will be chosen)*

## **\*April 26**

*(Thursday)*

*I will probably only use one band but I will not know which one until we get closer to the date so please keep this date on your calendar.*

## **5<sup>th</sup> grade Orientation Night (all bands)**

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Responsibility

**May 4-6**

**Band Trip (proposed)**

*Elective event/trip for all grades (if approved by band parents and district and there is enough participation with the right instrumentation; more details to follow)*

**May 12**  
*(Saturday)*

**DDOP-Downriver Day of Percussion**

*(Elective event for percussionists-at Roosevelt HS in Wyandotte)*

Excellence

**\*May 25**

**In-school concert with Band and Choir**

**\*May 31**  
*(Thursday)*

**Spring Concert**

Success

*May 22, 23, 29, 30 Rehearsals right after school; Dates will be split between ALL bands and exact details for each band will be determined as we get closer to concert as we will better know the needs for each band.*

*May 31 Rehearsal: In-school combined 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades*

Practice

**NOTE: All performances are required and part of the student's grade unless participation is listed as "elective"**

Enthusiasm

*\* = location at Discovery MS*

Cooperation

*There will be events that will occur that cannot be accounted for at this time. As these events occur we will notify you through email, band website and Google Classroom. Concerts usually last from 45-75 minutes.*

Teamwork

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