

**GHS BAND EVENTS 2024-25**

| <b>Date</b>                                    | <b>Time</b>   | <b>Event</b>  | <b>Location</b>       | <b>Students Involved</b>  |
|--|---|---|-----------------------|---|
| Wed., May 29 &<br>Thurs., May 30               | 8:00 a.m. –<br>12:00 p.m.   | Marching Band <b>Kick-Off<br/>Mini-Camp – DAY 1 &amp; 2</b> | Geneva High School    | Marching Band <i>New Members,<br/>Section Leaders &amp; Drum Majors</i>   |
| Fri., May 31                                   | 8:00 a.m. –<br>2:30 p.m.  | Marching Band <b>Kick-Off<br/>Mini-Camp – DAY 3</b>         | Geneva High School    | Marching Band ( <i>includes all<br/>GHS band students, flags, and<br/>twirlers</i> )  |
| Wed., July 24<br>Wed., July 31<br>Wed., Aug. 7 | 9:00 a.m. –<br>12:00 p.m.   | Woodwind and Brass Section<br>Rehearsals                    | Geneva High School    | Woodwind and Brass students<br>only ( <i>new and returning<br/>members</i> )  |
| Mon., Aug. 5 –<br>Fri., Aug. 9                 | 9:00 a.m. –<br>12:00 p.m.   | Drumline Camp   | Geneva High School    | Drumline Members only   |
| <b>Tues., Aug. 6</b>                           | 9:00 a.m. –<br>12:00 p.m.   | Marching Fundamentals Make-Up<br>Day 1                      | Geneva High School    | New marchers who did not<br>attend the Marching Band Kick-<br>Off Mini-Camp   |
|  | <b>2:00 – 5:00 p.m.</b>   | <b>Band Uniform Fittings</b>                                | <b>GHS Cafeteria</b>  | <b>All GHS Band Students: <i>Check<br/>the “Uniform Fittings<br/>Schedule” for fitting group &amp;<br/>time!</i></b>                |
| Thurs., Aug. 8                                 | 9:00 a.m. –<br>12:00 p.m.   | Marching Fundamentals Make-Up<br>Day 2                      | Geneva High School    | New marchers who did not<br>attend the Marching Band Kick-<br>Off Mini-Camp   |
| Mon, Aug. 12 –<br>Fri., Aug. 16                | <i>Refer to “<b>GHS<br/>Marching Band<br/>Camp 2024 (on<br/>campus)</b>”<br/>schedule for<br/>exact dates and<br/>times</i> | On-campus Summer Marching<br>Band Camp                      | Geneva High School    | Marching Band ( <i>includes all<br/>GHS band students, flags, and<br/>twirlers</i> )  |
| <b>Tues., Aug. 13</b>                          | <b>4:45 – 6:15 p.m.<br/>(approx.)</b>   | <b>Marching Band Photos (after<br/>rehearsal)</b>           | <b>GHS Auditorium</b> | <b>Marching Band Students:<br/><i>Photos for the yearbook will<br/>be taken wearing the complete<br/>Marching Band Uniform!</i></b> |

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| Thurs., Aug. 15  | 10:10 a.m.<br>(8:45 a.m. report)       | Marching Band Performance at Viking Fest  | GHS Auditorium   | Marching Band   |
| Fri., Aug. 16    | 4:30-5:30 p.m.<br>(after rehearsal)    | Marching Band & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Joint Concert & Pizza Party! <i>Please stay to help clean up!</i> | GHS Auditorium & Cafeteria                                 | Marching Band   |
| Thurs., Aug. 22  | 5:30 p.m. (report)                     | Corn Boil Performance   | GHS – Burgess Field  | Marching Band   |
| Tues., Aug. 27   | 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.                       | Marching Band Rehearsal   | GHS – Burgess Field  | Marching Band   |
| Fri., Aug. 30    | 5:15 p.m. (report)                     | Home Football Game (vs. Larkin HS)  | GHS – Burgess Field  | Marching Band   |
| Wed., Sept. 4    | 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.                       | Marching Band Rehearsal   | GHS – Burgess Field  | Marching Band   |
| Fri., Sept. 6    | 5:15 p.m. (report)                     | Home Football Game (vs. Lemont HS):<br><b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Marching Band Night!</b>                 | GHS – Burgess Field  | Marching Band   |
| Wed., Sept. 11   | 3 – 3:30 p.m.                          | Tri-M Music Honors Society Meeting  | GHS – Band Room  | Interested students ( <i>new and returning members</i> )        |
| Mon., Sept. 16   | By 11:59 p.m.!                         | ILMEA Audition Applications Due   | ---  | Open to all GHS Band Students ( <i>optional</i> )               |
| Sat., Sept. 21   | TBD (all day w/ early morning report!) | Band Day at Northern Illinois University ( <i>tentative</i> )   | Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, IL: Huskie Stadium | Marching Band ( <i>all band members, flags &amp; twirlers</i> ) |
| Sun., Sept. 22   | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.                      | Homecoming Window Painting  | Downtown Geneva  | All interested students ( <i>optional</i> )                     |
| Wed., Sept. 25   | 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.                       | Marching Band Rehearsal   | GHS – Burgess Field  | Marching Band   |
| Thurs., Sept. 26 | TBA (evening)                          | Blue and White Night Performance  | GHS – Burgess Field  | Marching Band   |

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| Fri., Sept. 27  | 2:00 p.m.                     | Homecoming Parade  | State St., Geneva                       | Marching Band   |
|   | 5:15 p.m. (report)            | Home Football Game (vs. Glenbard North HS):<br><b>Homecoming – Alumni Night</b>          | GHS – Burgess Field                     | Marching Band   |
| Mon., Sept. 30  | By 11:59 p.m.!                | ILMEA Dist. IX Band Audition Video Submission Deadline                                   | ---                                     | Open to all GHS Band Students<br><i>(optional)</i>              |
| Sat., Oct. 5 (tentative)  | TBA                           | Maine West Marching Band Festival <i>(tentative)</i>                                     | Maine West High School: Des Plaines, IL | Marching Band   |
| Wed., Oct. 9  | 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.              | Marching Band Rehearsal  | GHS – Burgess Field                     | All GHS Band Students   |
| Fri., Oct. 11   | 5:15 p.m. (report)            | Home Football Game (vs. Wheaton North HS)  | GHS – Burgess Field                     | Marching Band   |
|   | By 11:59 p.m.!                | ILMEA Future Music Educators Seminar (FMES) and Composition Contest Application Deadline | ---                                     | Open to all GHS Band Students<br><i>(optional)</i>              |
| Tues., Oct. 15 (Saxes)<br>Wed., Oct. 16 (Brass)<br>Fri., Oct. 18 (Piano & Gtr.)<br>Mon., Oct. 21 (Bass & Perc.) | After School<br>3:00 p.m. - ? | GHS Jazz Band Auditions  | GHS Music Dept.<br>(exact rooms TBA)    | Interested Students   |
| Wed., Oct. 23   | 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.              | Marching Band Rehearsal  | GHS – Burgess Field                     | Marching Band   |
| Fri., Oct. 25   | 5:15 p.m. (report)            | Home Football Game (vs. St. Charles North HS):<br><b>Senior Recognition Night!</b>       | GHS – Burgess Field                     | Marching Band   |
| Wed., Oct. 30   | 7:30 p.m.                     | GHS Marching Band Indoor Concert   | GHS Contest Gym                         | Marching Band <i>(all band students, flags, &amp; twirlers)</i> |
| Sat., Nov. 2  | All Day                       | ILMEA Dist. IX HS Jazz Festival  | TBD                                     | Selected Students   |
| Mon., Nov. 4  | 7 – 8:30 p.m.                 | GHS Jazz Band rehearsals begin (and continue weekly until May)                           | GHS Band Room                           | Jazz Band Students  |
| Sat., Nov. 9  | All Day                       | ILMEA Dist. IX HS Band/Choir/Orch. Festival  | Dundee-Crown HS, Carpentersville, IL    | Selected Students   |

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| Wed., Nov. 20 | 3 – 3:30 p.m. | Tri-M Music Honors Society Meeting | GHS – Band Room | Interested students ( <i>new and returning members</i> ) |
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***Thanksgiving Break (11/23/24 – 12/1/24)***

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| Sat., Dec. 7    | Morning (TBA)           | Lions Club Breakfast                               | GHS Cafeteria  | Jazz Band Students and/or other interested student groups      |
| Wed., Dec. 11   | TBA (afternoon-evening) | Massed REHEARSAL for GHS Yuletide Festival Concert | GHS Auditorium | All GHS Music Students ( <i>Band, Choir, &amp; Orchestra</i> ) |
| Thurs., Dec. 12 | TBA                     | GHS Yuletide Festival Concert                      | GHS Auditorium | All GHS Music Student ( <i>Band, Choir, &amp; Orchestra</i> )  |

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***END OF 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER – WINTER BREAK (12/21/24 – 1/5/25)***

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| Wed., Jan. 29 – Sat., Feb. 1 | All day, each day | Illinois Music Education Conference (ILMEA All-State Music Festival) | Peoria, IL                 | Selected Students  |
| Tues., Feb. 4                | Afternoon-Evening | 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band Auditions for 2025-26 – <b>Day #1</b>     | GHS Band Room              | Interested 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band Students           |
| Wed., Feb. 5                 | 3 – 3:30 p.m.     | Tri-M Music Honors Society Meeting                                   | GHS – Band Room            | Interested students ( <i>new and returning members</i> ) |
| Thurs., Feb. 6               | 7:00 p.m.         | GHS & Middle Schools Combined Jazz Concert                           | Geneva Middle School SOUTH | Jazz Band Students                                       |
| Sat., Feb. 8                 | Morning-Afternoon | 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band Auditions for 2025-26 – <b>Day #2</b>     | GHS Band Room              | Interested 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band Students           |
| Wed., Feb. 19                | 7:15 p.m.         | District 304 Band Concert  | GHS Contest Gym            | ALL GHS Band Students                                    |

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***NOTE: We will set up the gym after school (3 p.m.)  
The concert begins at 7:15 p.m. and should conclude by 9:00 p.m.***

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| Thu., Mar. 27 | After school - evening | GHS Solo & Ensemble Festival | GHS Music Department | Interested band members (optional but encouraged!) |
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**SPRING BREAK (3/29/25 – 4/6/25)**

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| Wed., Apr. 16                                      | 3 – 3:30 p.m.                       | Tri-M Music Honors Society Meeting. Tri-M Membership/ Renewal Materials due at this meeting! | GHS – Band Room                               | Tri-M Music Honor Society (current members & inductees/pledges)   |
| Thurs., Apr. 24<br>Fri., Apr. 25<br>Sat., April 26 | 7:00 p.m. each night                | GHS Musical  | GHS Auditorium                                | Pit Orchestra Members Only  |
| Tues., Apr. 29                                     | 7:30 p.m.                           | Spring Band Concert & Awards (Concert Uniform Return Post-Concert)                           | GHS Auditorium                                | All GHS Band Students   |
| Thurs., May 1                                      | 7:30 p.m.                           | Spring Orchestra Concert   | GHS Auditorium                                | <u>MAY</u> Involve Selected Wind Ensemble Students                |
| Tues., May 13                                      | After school (time TBA)             | Tri-M Music Honor Society Induction Ceremony   | GHS Auditorium                                | Tri-M Returning Members and Inductees (Pledges)                   |
| Tues., May 20                                      | 6:30 p.m.                           | GHS Jazz Dinner and Concert  | GHS Cafeteria                                 | All GHS Jazz Band and Jazz Choir Members                          |
| Thurs., May 22                                     | TBA (after school or early evening) | GHS Viking Revue Dress Rehearsal   | GHS Auditorium                                | Jazz Band Students  |
| Fri., May 23                                       | 7:00 p.m.                           | GHS Viking Revue   | GHS Auditorium                                | Jazz Band Students  |
| Mon., May 26                                       | 9:00 a.m. (approx..)                | Memorial Day Parade & Marching Uniform Turn-In   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> St., Geneva/<br>GHS Band Room | Marching Band ( <u>including seniors</u> )                        |
| Tues., June 3                                      | TBA                                 | GHS Graduation Ceremony (w/ Orchestra)   | Northern Illinois University                  | MAY Include Selected Wind Ensemble Students ( <u>no seniors</u> ) |

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### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- **All dates and times listed above are tentative and may be subject to change.** Additional events may also be added. Any revisions will be communicated to students and parents as soon as possible. ***Please keep these dates open until further notice!***
- **It is the student's responsibility** to notify family members, employers, church group leaders, etc. of the dates listed above **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**
- Any conflicts should be brought to the director (by parental note) for approval **no later than TWO WEEKS in advance.** In the case of an absence due to illness or emergency, the student should present a written explanation from a parent/guardian on the next day of school attendance.
- All scheduled rehearsals and performances during the school year are considered **mandatory and part of the student's grade.** *Failure to attend these events (without an approved, written excuse) will result in the lowering of the student's letter grade.* Any student who misses a required performance may be given an alternate "make-up" assignment/activity to account for that absence. The opportunity for a "make-up" assignment will be made at the director's discretion, depending upon the nature of and circumstances surrounding the student's absence.
- Please note that **PEP BAND** performances, which are a required part of being in band for ALL band students, are not shown on this calendar. These dates will be made available to the students in November.
- The due dates of the separate required components of the GHS band audition are not shown on this calendar. Information regarding the required audition materials and due dates will be made available to students in the fall.
- Weekly rehearsal schedules for extra-curricular ensembles such as **Jazz Band and Pit Orchestra** also do not appear on this calendar. Information will be given out to participating students during the school year.
- **MARCHING BAND MEMBERS** - check the **"GHS Marching Band Camp & Activities 2024 (On Campus)"** schedule for more complete information regarding our upcoming Marching Band Season!
- **ALL NON-SENIOR members of Wind Ensemble** are expected to perform with the orchestra at the GHS graduation ceremony, which will take place this year on Tues., June 3 at Northern Illinois University. Additional information regarding this event (e.g., times, locations, musical literature, attire, etc.) will be communicated to students in advance. *Please see your director if you have any questions or conflicts with this date!*

## GHS BAND EVENTS 2024-25

### **\*\*\*BAND/JAZZ BAND FESTIVALS & CONTESTS\*\*\***

During the 2024-25 school year, we intend to take our curricular bands and extra-curricular jazz band program to select music festivals and/or contests. These are tremendous opportunities for our students to grow as ensembles and as a department! While there, the students would receive valuable feedback on their performance skills from outstanding music educators and would also have the chance to hear other area high school bands perform.

Our enrollment in these festivals is subject to acceptance through an application/audition process which must be completed early in the school year. The dates & times of these events are also subject to change, and in many cases have not been scheduled yet. However, we do anticipate that these events would occur in **February, March, and/or April 2025**. We will provide you with additional details regarding these events as they are made available!

Gene - ne - va, let's go! Yes, Ge - ne - va, let's go, 'til Vic - to - ry is ours!



GHS Viking Band Trip to Nashville and New Orleans, February 2024