



**Itinerary & Info for the 2026 IHSA Organizational Contest (WE ARE HOSTING!)
Friday, April 17th Contest & Saturday, April 18th Performances for the
CONCERT BAND & JAZZ BAND**

Friday, April 17th:

**CONCERT BAND and JAZZ BAND rehearse during their class period in the Gym!*

- 3:00 PM Work shifts begin for those who are guides for Trico. If not, all other workshifts will begin at 3:30 PM.
- 3:30 PM Warm-ups begin for participating schools. Be at your workstation by this time! Students help with the contest for the rest of the evening.
- 3:30-11:00 All students (not in athletic events) work one shift for the contest.
- 11:00 PM Approximate end time for Organizational Contest for Friday night at MHS, students are dismissed until Saturday performances.

Saturday, April 18th:

- 8:45 AM All JAZZ BAND students report to the Gym, in Concert Black ready to go (Those in the Choir meet us at 9 AM). Students not in Jazz Band continue to work shifts at the Contest.
- 9:00 AM Warm-up for the JAZZ BAND in the Gym.
- 9:30 AM Awesome JAZZ BAND performance in Memorial Gymnasium!
- 9:50 AM JAZZ BAND performance concludes, JAZZ BAND students stay in Concert Black (warm-up for the CONCERT BAND will begin at 10:00 AM).
- 10:00 AM Warm-up for the CONCERT BAND in the MHS Band Room.
- 10:30 AM Awesome CONCERT BAND performance in Memorial Gymnasium!
- 10:50 AM CONCERT BAND performance concludes. Put all instruments and folders in A22. Students continue to work shifts at the contest.
- 12:30 PM Approximate conclusion of Band performances at MHS, students help move ALL EQUIPMENT BACK to the MHS Band Room, and clean contest areas.
- 1:30 PM Approximate dismissal time.

Concert Dress for the Band is CONCERT BLACK FOR EVERYONE:

Gentlemen: *Black Suit, Black Button Down Shirt, Black Pants, Black Socks, Black DRESS Shoes, Black Bow Tie, and Black Belt. (NO hats and/or accessories, OR TENNIS SHOES).*

Ladies: *Black Evening Wear DRESS and Black DRESS Shoes.*

*Freshmen and New Students who do not have our new concert black, please try to match as close as you can to the above description.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR IHSA ORGANIZATIONAL CONTEST

- Make sure you are signed up to work one shift for the contest over the two-day period we are hosting. For those shifts, please wear your CE BANDS Red T-shirt or Hoodie. ALL BAND STUDENTS MUST WORK 1 DAY: FRIDAY 4/17 OR SATURDAY 4/18. We will sign up in class.
- These performances are REQUIRED PERFORMANCES for the CONCERT BAND and JAZZ BAND. Both are worth 200 points for the 4th Quarter.
- All CE BAND students will keep their instruments in A22.

WE WOULD LOVE A LOT OF PARENTS AT BOTH OF OUR PERFORMANCES SATURDAY MORNING. COME SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT(S) AND ALL OF THE HARD WORK THAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING THIS SEMESTER!

Thank you everyone in advance for helping make this contest a success at our school!

Mr. Williams