



## Murphysboro Middle School Bands

Ensembles: Blue Devil Band, Symphonic Band, Jazz Ensemble

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### MMS Bands Master Schedule

*January 2010 – May 2010*

**\*SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

#### *Spring 2010*

##### January

**Jan 4** 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER BEGINS, Symphonic Band begins rehearsing for Organizational Contest/Spring Trip; Blue Devil Pep Band learns new tunes.

*Lessons start next week, same times as 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. Any conflicts should be brought to Mr. Williams by Wednesday of this week. Sectional Schedule for the Spring Semester passed out by Friday.*

If you need another lesson pass, please let Mr. Williams know ASAP!

**Jan 5** Jazz Ensemble begins rehearsing for Solo and Ensemble and the Spring trip today after school **3:20 – 4:00 PM. Different schedule as it was in the Fall;** same days, Tuesday and Thursday.

Jan 7 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**BB GAME 5, MMS GIRLS VS. UNITY POINT (Not on original schedule, making up the missed November game), CALL TIME 6:15 PM**

**Jan 11 BB GAME 6, MMS BOYS VS. TRICO JHS; CALL TIME 6:15 PM**

Jan 12 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM;  
**MMS Band Boosters 7:00 PM**

**Jan 13      SECOND GATLINBURG TRIP INSTALLMENT DUE!**

**Jan 14      Sectionals begin;** make sure to check schedule each week so that you know when your section has theirs! *Possible different format.*

Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Jan 18      *No School; Martin Luther King Holiday*

Jan 19      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Jan 21      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Week of Jan 25              3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Midterm Playing Test**

**Jan 25      BB Game 7, MMS Boys vs. NASHVILLE JHS;  
CALL TIME 6:15 PM**

Jan 26      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Jan 28      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM**

**BB Game 8, MMS Boys vs. CARBONDALE MS;  
CALL TIME 6:15 PM; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition for band  
students and Alumni Game for past Blue Devil Band  
members**

**Jan 29      3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER MIDTERM PROGRESS REPORTS SENT HOME**

*\*Students will receive their solo and/or ensemble music during the second week of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. Every student will be required to perform their solo/and or ensemble twice for the class before they can take it to Solo and Ensemble Contest in March.*

**February**

*\*Blue Devil Band will play 2 volleyball games this month (REQUIRED PERFORMANCES). Games to be announced. After these games are over, Blue Devil Band will be done until next August!*

Feb 2      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Feb 4 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Feb 5 *Noon Dismissal*

Feb 9 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM;  
**MMS Band Boosters 7:00 PM**

**Feb 10 THIRD GATLINBURG TRIP INSTALLMENT DUE!**

Feb 11 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Feb 15 *No School; Presidents Day Holiday*

**Week of Feb 16 First performances of Solo and Ensemble pieces  
during the morning band period**

Feb 16 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Feb 18 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Feb 23 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Feb 25 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Feb 26 Jazz Ensemble rehearses during morning band period; last one before  
our SIU Carbondale Performance!**

**Feb 27 SIU CARBONDALE JAZZ FESTIVAL; *Required Jazz  
Ensemble Performance (On a Saturday)***

**\*As a reminder, ALL MMS Band students are REQUIRED to take a solo to Solo &  
Ensemble Contest, Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, as part of their grade, and participate with  
the Symphonic Band in Organizational Contest, Friday Night, March 26<sup>th</sup> !**

***The week of ISAT testing, Lessons and Sectionals are CANCELLED!***

### **March**

***\*Very important time as both Solo & Ensemble and Organizational Contest are this  
month! Be prepared to WORK HARD leading up to these events!***

Mar 2 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Mar 4 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Week of March 8      3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Final Playing Test as final performances of Solo and Ensemble pieces during the morning band period (FOR A GRADE!)**

Mar 9      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM  
MMS Band Boosters 7:00 PM

**Mar 10      FINAL GATLINBURG TRIP INSTALLMENT DUE!**

**Mar 11      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM; *Final rehearsal before Solo and Ensemble Performance!***

Mar 12      **Last Day of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**

**Mar 13      SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST at Carmi-White County Middle School, REQUIRED FOR ALL MMS BAND STUDENTS AND JAZZ ENSEMBLE MEMBERS! (*On a Saturday*)**

**Mar 15      4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER BEGINS**

Mar 16      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Mar 17      Percussion Sectional Afterschool, REQUIRED; 3:30 – 4:30 PM**

Mar 18      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Week of March 22      4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Midterm Playing Test**

Mar 23      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Mar 24      Percussion Sectional Afterschool, REQUIRED; 3:30 – 4:30 PM**

Mar 25      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Mar 26      *Final rehearsal for Symphonic Band during the morning band period before Organizational Contest!***

**ORGANIZATIONAL CONTEST, Marion Jr. High School, REQUIRED PERFORMANCE FOR ALL MMS BAND STUDENTS! (*This is on the Friday night before Spring Break. Please plan ahead on this one, it is required and it is one of our biggest performances of the year!*)**

**March 29<sup>th</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>      SPRING BREAK**

**April**

***This is the month of our Spring Trip to Gatlinburg, the Solo & Ensemble Recital Concert, and Steak and Jazz!***

April 6      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Apr 8**      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**SOLO & ENSEMBLE RECITAL CONCERT, 7 PM;  
MMS AUDITORIUM, JAZZ ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE  
AND SELECTED STUDENTS**

Apr 13      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM  
**MMS Band Boosters 7 PM**

**Apr 15**      ***No Jazz Ensemble due to Mr. Williams going to Aspen with the High School Band***

**APR 16 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER MIDTERM PROGRESS REPORTS SENT HOME**

Apr 20      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

Apr 21      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM, ***due to Steak and Jazz on April 22<sup>nd</sup>!***

**Apr 22**      **STEAK AND JAZZ at Murphysboro Middle School,  
REQUIRED JAZZ ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE; time  
TBA**

Apr 27      Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**Apr 28**      ***Final rehearsal for Symphonic Band before the Spring Trip during the morning band period!***

Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM, ***Final rehearsal before the Spring Trip!***

**Apr 29<sup>th</sup> – May 2<sup>nd</sup>      MMS BAND SPRING TRIP TO  
GATLINBURG, TENNESSEE**

***-BOTH THE SYMPHONIC BAND AND JAZZ ENSEMBLE TO PERFORM.***

**May**

**May 4** Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM

**SPRING CONCERT, MHS, 6:30 pm, (REQUIRED PERFORMANCE)**

**May 5 ELEMENTARY RECRUITING TOUR during school, with the High School Band**

May 6 Jazz Ensemble 3:20 – 4:00 PM; *COLLECTING MUSIC AND FOLDERS*

May 7 *Noon Dismissal*

May 11 **MMS Band Boosters 7:00 PM**

**May 13 MMS BAND AWARDS NIGHT, 6:00 PM  
MMS CAFETERIA/AUDITORIUM**

**May 28 Last day of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, *END OF 2009 – 2010 SCHOOL YEAR***

**All times are subject to change, please check the website for updates!**

**For updates on our spring schedule, and itineraries, please visit  
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