

St. Paul's Episcopal School

Band Department

Dear Parents and Band Members,

The following schedule is provided to help you better plan your academic/performance school year calendar. This schedule will also be posted on EDLINE and the SPS Band Web Site.

ALL PERFORMANCES ARE REQUIRED. Failure to attend will result in a significantly lowered grade. Make-up work will be required for all absences. Medical appointments should be scheduled accordingly. The music department pays close attention to the school calendar to alleviate as many conflicts as possible. Missing performances for other practices or rehearsals will not be allowed. Please give advance notice if a performance is to be missed. Even with notice only one event per semester will be allowed. Emergencies will be handled on an individual basis and the parent/guardian should contact the director as soon as possible. Allowing make-up work will be on a case by case basis at the discretion of the director.

ATTENDANCE TO REHEARSALS IS REQUIRED. Scheduled band practice is every Thursday afternoon from 3:45pm- 5:00pm. We will continue to have Thursday rehearsals after football season through the Christmas Concert. Medical appointments should be scheduled accordingly. Unexcused absences from practice will result in a game suspension (during football season) and a zero for the rehearsal. Emergencies will be handled on an individual basis. Excused/unexcused shall be determined by the Band Director.

Tardies to performances and rehearsals will result in a lowered grade for the activity. If you know you are going to be late, call the band room at 342-6700 ext 2257 **BEFORE** the rehearsal or performance begins to avoid having grade lowered.

Grading Policy

Grading will be based upon **attendance** and **participation** in class as well as **attendance at performances**. Band is a performance based class; therefore your participation is vital to the success of each outing. The grading schedule is as follows:

Weekly grade – 25 pts (5/day)	Parade – 150 pts
Playing Grade – 10 pts (Middle school)	Concert – 250 pts
Rehearsal – 75 pts	Contest – 300 pts
Football Game – 150 pts	

A schedule of known performances is attached to this letter. Some dates are yet to be set. You will be given plenty of notice when these dates are determined. Occasionally, a performance opportunity will arise that is not on this schedule. Problems or conflicts with these will be handled on an individual basis.

If you should have any further questions, please feel free to call me at (251) 342-6700 ext 2257 or (251) 458-2758(cell). My email address is tdavis@stpaulsmobile.net.

Please sign and return the last page to the director by **8/05/2010**.

Sincerely,

J. Treadwell Davis
Band Director

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2010-2011 Band Calendar

Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Band Reports
August 27	B.C. Rain	Home	5:30pm*
September 3	Faith Academy	Home	5:30pm*
September 10	Spanish Fort	Away	4:30pm*
September 17	LeFlore	Home	5:30pm*
September 24	Fairhope	Home	5:30pm*
October 1	Vigor	Away	5:00pm*
October 8	Citronelle(Homecoming)	Home	5:30pm*
October 15	Gulf Shores	Away	4:00pm*
October 22	Enterprise	Away	1:00pm*
October 29	UMS Wright	Home	5:30pm*
November 5	Possible Playoff	TBA	TBA*
November 12	Possible Playoff	TBA	TBA*
November 19	Possible Playoff	TBA	TBA*
Nov/Dec TBA	Championship	Birmingham	TBA*

Concert Season Schedule

Date	Event	Time	Band Reports
December 3	Christmas Concert	7:00pm	6:00pm**
December TBA	Christmas Parade	TBA	TBA*
January 15	All State Tryouts	TBA	Davidson HS^
April 14-16	All State(MOBILE!)	TBA	TBA^
April 19	Spring Concert	7:00pm	6:00pm**
April 30	Solo & Ensemble	TBA	Bryant HS^
May 21	Graduation	5:00pm	4:00 at Convention Center***

* Upper School and 8th Grade Only

** All Grades

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^ Voluntary

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Band Member

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Parent/Guardian

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