

Meridian Community Band

2017 – 2018 Calendar

SEPTEMBER	
5, 12, 19, 26	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Orchestra Room, 7:00-9:00 pm
OCTOBER	
3, 10, 17, 24, 31	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Orchestra Room, 7:00-9:00 pm
NOVEMBER	
3 (Friday)	CONCERT: GRAND SOUSA CONCERT 7:30 pm, MacDonald Middle School, Call time 6:15 pm
7, 14, 21, 28	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm MUSIC EXCHANGE: Turn in music on or prior to November 7
DECEMBER	
5, 12, 19	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm
7 (Thursday)	COMMUNITY OUTREACH CONCERT 7:00 pm, Ingham County Medical Care Facility, Call time 6:15 pm
15 (Friday)	CONCERT: HOLIDAY CONCERT 7:30 pm People’s Church, E. Lansing, Call time 6:45 (Full Band)
19	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm MUSIC EXCHANGE: Turn in music on or prior to December 19
JANUARY 2018	
9, 16, 23, 30	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm.
FEBRUARY	
6, 13, 20, 27	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm
MARCH	
2	Dress Rehearsal, RCF Okemos HS Auditorium, 7:00-9:00 pm
3	RED CEDAR FESTIVAL OF COMMUNITY BANDS Okemos High School – all day CONCERT: pm (time TBD)
6, 13, 20, 27	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm MUSIC EXCHANGE: Turn in music on or prior to March 6
25 (Sunday)	CONCERT: MSU Ag Tech COMMENCEMENT 1:30 pm Wharton Center. Call time: 1:00 pm. Performance Begins at 1:30 pm. Commencement ceremony, 2:00 pm. The band is paid for performing.
APRIL	
3	No rehearsal -- Spring Break for Okemos Public Schools
10, 17, 24	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
27 (Friday)	SPRING CONCERT 7:30 pm (LOCATION TBD) Call time 6:15 pm
MAY	
1, 8, 15, 22	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm

	MUSIC EXCHANGE: Turn in music on or prior to May 1
28 (Monday)	COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Memorial Day Vespers Service 12 pm Glendale Cemetery, Call time 11:30 am.
29	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm
JUNE	
5, 12	Rehearsal at Okemos High School Band Room, 7:00-9:00 pm
TBD	CONCERT: PATRIOTIC CONCERT (TBD) 7:00 pm Lake Lansing Band Shell, Meridian Township, Call time
JULY	
TBD	TBD

Community Outreach, AgTech Commencement and Memorial Day Concerts

These concerts will have reduced instrumentation. Your section manager will ask for your availability to play.

Music Exchange/Turn in

New music is handed out and old music collected during the concert season as needed for each concert session. Music exchange dates are noted on the calendar. It is each band member's responsibility to turn in music as requested. Please talk with your Section Manager or the Librarian if you have questions.

Winter Reminder

During cold-weather months, please use the high school's east main entrance to enter the band room and not the band room door (to the parking lot). This reduces tracking snow and ice into the band room and helps stabilize the room temperature which helps with tuning and pitch control.

As a general rule, when Okemos schools are closed, band rehearsal is also cancelled for the evening. School closings are announced on morning television and radio; their respective websites and the Lansing State Journal website (lsj.com). Updates will also sent via email and posted on Facebook.

Board Meetings

All band members are welcome to attend open board meetings.

Board meetings are held the second Wed. of each month at:

Central Fire Station
5000 Okemos Rd.
Okemos
7:00 - 9:00 pm

2017 - Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

2018 - Jan. 10, Feb. 14, Mar. 14, Apr. 11, May 9, June 13