



2008 Fall Jazz Concert

For more information or to find out how you can become part of the Buford Band Program, contact one of our directors.

www.bufordband.com

Buford High School

Band of Wolves

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What others are saying . . .

Nine out of ten adults and teenagers who play instruments agree that music making brings the family closer together. - *Music Making and Our Schools, American Music Conference, 2000.*

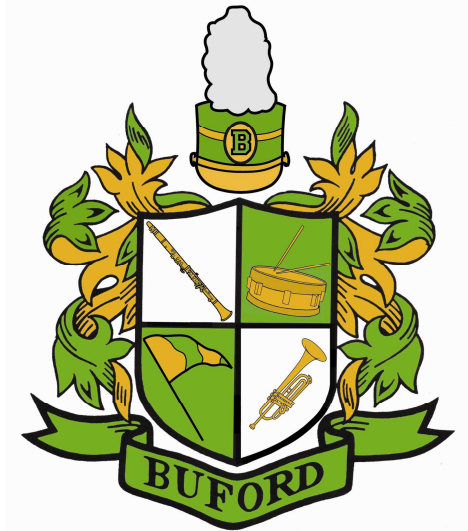
Students with band and orchestra experience attend college at a rate twice the national average. - *Bands Across the USA.*

Physician and biologist Lewis Thomas studied the undergraduate majors of medical school applicants. He found that 66% of music majors who applied to medical school were admitted, the highest percentage of any group. 44% of biochemistry majors were admitted. *As reported in "The Case for Music in the Schools," Phi Delta Kappan, February 1994*

Secondary students who participated in band or orchestra reported the lowest lifetime and current use of all substances (alcohol, tobacco, illicit drugs). *Texas Commission on Drug and Alcohol Abuse Report. Reported in Houston Chronicle, January 1998*

A ten-year study indicates that students who study music achieve higher test scores, regardless of socioeconomic background. - *Dr. James Catterall, UCLA.*

Buford Band



Band...

The Experience for a Lifetime!

Why Take Band?

- Band members typically represent the top of the academic scale in schools across our nation.
- Band members score an average of 50 points higher on SAT tests.
- Band members are known to enjoy successful high school careers, attend college, and become leaders of our society.
- In many respects, band is a microcosm of our society. It demands high levels of personal responsibility, social skills, analytical skills, and the ability to work closely with others. Simply put, playing a musical instrument in school band prepares young people for life.
- Band is a group effort. Members are required to shift from thinking "I/Me" to thinking "We/Us."
- Band builds positive self-worth. Although we share many similarities with athletics, EVERYONE is a "starter" in band. Seldom is there an alternate or substitute in band.
- A strong sense of camaraderie exists in band. It's a great place to belong.
- Oh yeah... Band is FUN!



Buford High School Symphonic Band
SUPERIOR Ratings GMEA Large Group Performance Evaluation

RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- GMEA Concert Festivals-Superiors
- Marching Band Competitions-division Championships
- Jazz and Percussion Festivals
- Parades and Community Performances
- Trips and Performances at: Six Flags, Carowinds, Universal, Disney World

Individual Honors and Activities

- UGA Middle School Band Festival
- UGA JanFest (HS Band Festival)
- GMEA Beginning Honor Band
- GMEA District Honor Band
- Georgia All-State Band Solo/Ensemble Festival
- State Jazz Clinic
- Encore Band Camp
- UGA Summer Band Camp



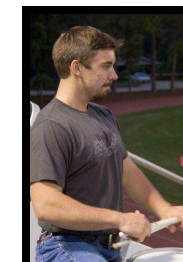
The Buford Band program exemplifies superiority! These talented and skilled performers represent a wonderful cross-section of our school population. We are proud of their accomplishments and continuing pursuit of Triple A excellence!

Dr. Banks Bitterman
 Principal, Buford High School

Band Members are ATHLETES



Band Members are SCHOLARS



Josh Holley
 Percussion/Piano
 BHS Valedictorian
 2007



Jonathan Kaplan
 Clarinet/
 Saxophone/Drum
 Major
 BHS Valedictorian
 2008



Anna Sulimirski
 Percussion
 BHS Valedictorian
 2009