



CAB CALLOWAY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS HIGH SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM INFORMATION

Do You Want to be a Part of a National Award-Winning Band Program?

The Cab Calloway School of the Arts (CCSA) Instrumental Music Department has various in-school and extra-curricular programs for you to participate in... whether you play an instrument or not. These programs are open to all Cab and Charter School of Wilmington students.

In-School Wind Bands

CCSA has two in-school (for credit) wind bands, the Symphonic Band & the Wind Ensemble. The ensembles include woodwind, brass, and percussion musicians. Students showcase their talents in the CCSA HS Winter and Spring Band Concerts.

Registration for the in-school ensembles is done when choosing your classes. The bands meet regularly during school every other day.

CHARTER SCHOOL OF WILMINGTON (CSW) students can register for the In-School Wind Bands.

Band does work with your CSW schedule and you can be in band all 4 years of high school. Please email Mr. Tharp (james.tharp@redclay.k12.de.us) or the Band Boosters (CCBBADE@gmail.com), and we will explain what your CSW counselor needs to know to register you for band class.

CCSA Spirit Marching Band

The CCSA Spirit Marching Band is a 100+ student competition band that learns a professionally choreographed performance each year. They compete in the "Tournament of Bands" and "Bands of America" circuits. In addition, the marching band performs their show at CSW football games and provide "spirit and pep" from the stands.

Color Guard is a major part of the marching band. Our color guard members use props (flags, rifles, and sabres) along with movement to accompany the marching band show. The color guard's hard work and precision adds to the overall visual of the show. No prior color guard experience is necessary to join!

The marching band season begins two weeks before school starts with band camp, and practice is three days a week after school during the fall sports season. On Saturday's, the marching band is performing at the CSW football game, and then travels to their weekly competition.

CCSA Indoor Color Guard and Indoor Drumline Ensembles

During the winter and spring sports season, we offer Indoor Color Guard and Indoor Drumline. Both groups, who are consistent regional winners, present custom ensemble performances for circuit competitions throughout the season. Practices are after school in the gym with weekend practice and travel to various competitions throughout the mid-Atlantic region. Each group's

season ends with a trip to either Wildwood, NJ or Dayton, OH for the competition circuit finals of their respective groups.

Many students who play wind instruments during the marching band season, join the indoor color guard or indoor drumline for the winter/spring season. Additionally, students from any Red Clay high school are eligible to join our indoor programs because no other high school in the Red Clay School District has these programs.

CCSA Jazz Ensemble

The CCSA Jazz Ensemble performs at the highest standard for High School Jazz Ensembles. The Ensemble is a standard Big Band including Alto Saxophones, Tenor Saxophones, Baritone Saxophones, Trombones, Trumpets, and Rhythm Section (Drum Set, Piano, Bass, and Guitar). Practice begins in January, with after school rehearsals two days a week until their highly anticipated showcase during the CCSA HS Spring Concert.

For more information on all our band programs, please visit our website: <https://www.ccsaband.com> or email CCBBADE@gmail.com with questions.