



Manitowoc Lutheran High School
4045 Lancer Circle
Manitowoc, WI 54220

Dear Prospective Band Student and Parents:

The very word “band” stirs excitement in the minds of people of all ages. Shining instruments, thrilling concerts, marching bands, the unique pleasure of performing all types of music, and much more makes band one of the most popular activities in our nation’s schools. That popularity stems not only from the fact that band is fun and exciting but also because it has great educational, social, and spiritual values.

Although many see band as a class on learning to play an instrument, it is much more than that. It is the development of a family of friends that lasts a lifetime. Music participation enhances self-expression, teamwork, self-confidence, goal setting, and much more for your child. A child’s music study also offers opportunities for shared family experiences: music event attendance, family music making opportunities, performances for family and friends, and a sense of accomplishment and pride for the entire family. It is the opportunity for your child to develop his/her God-given talents.

Our Program

- Weekly private instrumental lesson at the student’s Lutheran Elementary School
 - All efforts will be made to give the student’s lesson during a time when they are not directly involved in an academic subject in their classroom, but students may need to miss 20 minutes of class.
- Weekly group band on Monday evenings at MLHS. Our three bands are:
 - *Beginner Band*: any first-year instrumental student
 - *Concert Winds*: students in their 2nd – 4th year of lessons
 - *Jr Lancer Jazz*: any of the Concert Winds students that desire to play jazz (starts in January)
- Our concerts for the year are:
 - Junior Lancer Band & Choir Concert on December 6, 2026 (Beginner Band, Concert Winds, JL Youth Choir)
 - Spring Band Concert on April 21, 2027 (Beginner Band, Concert Winds, JL Jazz, MLHS Bands)
 - MLHS Prism Concert on May 15, 2027 (JL Jazz, MLHS Bands & Choirs)

Beginner Band Nights

We will be offering two “**Beginner Band Information Nights**”. At this event, we will explain the Junior Lancer Band program to you in more detail and answer any questions you may have. We will also demonstrate each of the instruments for you and your child before the students are invited to try out and select an instrument. A representative from Heid Music will be present to assist with the buying and rental programs available for you. Our two nights will be **Monday, June 1** and **Tuesday, August 11** beginning at 6:30pm.

Registration for 2026-2027

Please use the following link to register for JLB Lessons! [Jr. Lancer Music](#)

If you have any questions regarding the Junior Lancer Band program or the registration process, please feel free to call Charis Scharf at 920-904-5131 or email her at cscharf@mlhslancers.org. She will be very happy to assist you in any way at all!

Thank you and blessings on your summer!

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