



MACS Honor Band Clinic

February 27-28, 2026

MACS Fine Arts Center

Charlotte Catholic High School

Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Band Families,

The Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools Band Program is pleased to announce the inaugural MACS Honor Band Clinic! Beginning Friday afternoon, February 27, select middle and high school students from five of our MACS schools will come together in the MACS Fine Arts Center, or FAC, located at Charlotte Catholic High School (7702 Pineville-Matthews Rd., Charlotte, NC 28226) for an enriching weekend of music-making. Their efforts will culminate in a final concert to be held on Saturday, February 28 at 2:30PM in the FAC Theater. We hope you will join us on Saturday in support of our student musicians, and the MACS Band Program!

Enclosed, you will find: General Information, Guest Conductor, Clinic Schedule, Student Info Form

Participating students will be placed into one of two ensembles by grade level. The middle school band (grades 7-8) will be conducted by Mr. Jacob Bohan, and include students representing Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School, Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School, and St. Mark Catholic School. Our guest conductor, Dr. Kristen Jeri, will lead the High School Band (grades 9-12) composed of students from Charlotte Catholic High School and Christ the King Catholic High School. Dr. Jeri is the Assistant Band Director and Instructor of Music at Winthrop University (more information in *Guest Conductor*). We are so fortunate to have Dr. Jeri with us for this year's clinic!

There is a \$20 non-refundable registration fee for each student participant due Friday, January 23.

The fee may be paid using this link: charlottecatholic.org. Participants are required to attend all clinic events in their entirety. Clinic music will be distributed to students no later than February 20, and all participants will receive a T-shirt and MACS Band pin following their performance.

We look forward to hosting the 2026 MACS Honor Band Clinic at the MACS Fine Arts Center!

In Christ,

Benjamin Ranzinger - MACS Coordinator of Instrumental Music

Jacob Bohan - Site Host, Charlotte Catholic High School Band Director

Hoy Colson, Chris D'Allura, Anna Kiefriter, Tracy Shoff - MACS Band Directors

GENERAL INFORMATION

Students from the following band programs are eligible to participate in the MACS Honor Band Clinic:

Charlotte Catholic High School

Christ the King Catholic High School

Holy Trinity Catholic Middle School (grades 7-8)

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School (grades 7-8)

St. Mark Catholic School (grades 7-8)

Students should complete the attached *Student Info Form*, and return it to their band director by Friday, January 23, 2026. Directors will submit nominations via a section-based round-robin system to ensure a sufficiently balanced ensemble in which all school programs are represented. Students may be recommended to participate by their director following January 23 based on instrumentation needs for each ensemble. All band families are encouraged to reserve the dates - **February 27-28, 2026** - in their calendar should such needs arise!

Instructions for accessing the registration payment page:

- 1) Go to charlottecatholic.org
- 2) In the upper right corner of home page, click on Online Store
- 3) In the Center-Right of the Online Store, click on the button/image "School"
- 4) Click on the first button/image "Band"
- 5) Click on the first button/image "MACS Honor Band Registration 2026"
- 6) Complete the information required on the page
- 7) Submit payment.
- 8) Done!



GUEST CONDUCTOR

Kristin Jeri is Instructor of Music and Assistant Band Director at Winthrop University. She is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro where she received her Doctor of Musical Arts in instrumental conducting with Dr. Jonathan Caldwell. At UNCG, she taught courses in undergraduate conducting and directed the UNCG Concert Band. Prior to UNCG, she taught middle and high school band in Tennessee for six years.

Kristin served as the Assistant Conductor of the Duke Wind Symphony located in Durham, NC from 2023–2024. At Duke, she taught courses in instrumental conducting and held additional administrative responsibilities with the Duke Wind Symphony. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees in music education and instrumental conducting from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville where she studied with Dr. Donald Ryder and Dr. David Royse. At UT, she conducted the Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Trumpet Ensemble, and worked as a Graduate Assistant for the Pride of the Southland Marching Band.

Friday, February 27, 2026

Middle School Band		High School Band		MACS Directors	
12:15-1:30PM	Check-In <i>Fine Arts Center</i>	12:15-1:30PM	Check-In <i>Fine Arts Center</i>	12:15-1:30PM	Report to FAC, Standby
1:45PM	Welcome & Prayer				
2:00-5:00PM	Rehearsal #1 CCHS <i>Band Room</i>	2:00-5:00PM	Rehearsal #1 CCHS <i>FAC Theater</i>	2:00-5:00PM	Observe Rehearsals, Standby
5:00PM	Pizza Dinner, FAC Lobby				
6:00-8:30PM	Rehearsal #2 CCHS <i>Band Room</i>	6:00-8:30PM	Rehearsal #2 CCHS <i>FAC Theater</i>	6:00-8:30PM	Observe Rehearsals, Standby

Saturday, February 28, 2026

8:30-11:15AM	Rehearsal #3 CCHS <i>Band Room</i>	8:30-11:15AM	Rehearsal #3 CCHS <i>FAC Theater</i>	8:30-11:15AM	Observe Rehearsals, Standby
<i>At 11:15AM, MS and HS Bands will swap rehearsal locations.</i>					
11:30AM	Lunch On Your Own				
1:00-2:00PM	Dress Rehearsal CCHS <i>FAC Theater</i>	1:00-2:00PM	Dress Rehearsal CCHS <i>Band Room</i>	1:00-2:00PM	Observe Rehearsals, Standby
2:30PM	MACS Honor Band Clinic Concert <i>Charlotte Catholic High School, Fine Arts Center Theater</i>				

STUDENT INFO FORM

Students who would like to participate must fill out all information below, and return to your band director no later than Friday, January 23. Name should be fully printed as it should appear on concert program.

Student Name: _____

Primary Instrument: _____

*Secondary Instrument (optional): _____

**Percussion students should indicate strongest area from the following: auxiliary, mallet keyboards, snare drum, timpani*

Student School Email (High School Only): _____

Parent Preferred Email: _____

Shirt Size (circle one):

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COMMITMENT STATEMENT

I verify that I have carefully reviewed all information in this packet, and agree to participate in all clinic events in their entirety. I acknowledge that by participating, I represent the Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools Band Program, and may be dismissed from the clinic at any point for significant behavior violations as outlined in my school's Handbook.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____