

Hello directors & greetings from Charlottesville!

We hope you and your students are charged up for another semester of great music-making. With fall preparations on everyone's forefront, we want to share an exciting opportunity for your students. The Cavalier Marching Band will host Band Day on Saturday, September 14, when UVA Football takes on the University of Maryland in an 8pm game. We invite your 9–12 band members to come and experience a game day as a CMB member! We will accept the first 360 performers on a first-come, first-served basis.

Your students will be joining the Cavalier Marching Band for an entire day of music making and performing. Band Day includes rehearsal, meals, stands performing, and a halftime show! Show music and recordings will be available electronically in the weeks leading up to gameday, but we are excited that the schedule is already set to be under the lights!

You can find the specific schedule in our [Band Day Event Guide](#), but the day will include:

- Rehearsal with the Cavalier Marching Band (2 hours)
- Bus transportation provided to Scott Stadium
- Pre-game meal with your CMB section provided by the CMB
- Social time: get to know members of your CMB section!
- Watch the CMB's Pregame Show from Section 104—the CMB's section
- During the game, perform in Section 104 with the CMB
- Perform a halftime show with the CMB on Scott Stadium field
- Post-game bus transportation back to the Hunter Smith Band Building

Please continue to check the Cavalier Marching Band's [Band Day website](#) for updates.

We would love to see your students on Band Day. Please continue to check the Cavalier Marching Band's website for updates. Below are a few of the FAQ's you, your students, or their families might have. If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please feel free to send us an email at [band-day@virginia.edu](mailto:band-day@virginia.edu). We will communicate directly with the students who register and ensure they have all of the information they need to be successful.

Good luck with firing up your band for 2024, and cheers to a successful season.

GO HOOS!!!



Elliott Tackitt  
Director of Bands



Andrew Koch  
Associate Director



Michael Idzior  
Assistant Director



Brandon West  
Assistant Director

## **FAQ's**

### ***What is the Cost per participant?***

\$60

### ***What is included as part of UVA Band Day?***

Entry to the game, a UVA Band Day T-shirt, rehearse and perform with the CMB on Scott Stadium field at halftime and in the stands throughout the game, bus transportation to and from the stadium, a pre-game meal with the CMB, and food in the stands during the game.

### ***What do I need to be prepared for on Game Day?***

Music, drill, and scheduling information will be released to the Band Day members well in advance of September 14. You can expect the music first (sometime in early-October). Plan to wear weather appropriate clothing for the day. You will need your own band instrument, but NOT your band uniform.

### ***How do guests and families purchase tickets if my student is performing?***

Participants do not need to purchase a ticket to the game because it is included in the \$60 registration fee. For parents, family members, and participant guests wishing to attend as a spectator, ticket purchasing information is constantly updated on page 4 of the [Band Day Event Guide](#). Keep checking there for the release of any discount information.

### ***Do I need to memorize my music?***

Music memorization is optional

### ***Is registration really first come first served?***

Yes, but because our section 104 contains a fixed number of seats, we are limited to 375 total musicians approximating the following instrumentation.

- 225 winds, color guard and twirlers
- 50 percussion (8 tenor drum, 10 bass drum and 10 cymbal player maximum)

### ***How can I pay?***

We are able to accept Cash or Check in advance (no credit or debit cards, unfortunately). Checks can be made out to "Cavalier Marching Band" and should include the name of the student in the memo line. If paying for multiple students, please include all names on a separate sheet of paper, mailed with payment. Lastly, please include an email address to which an electronic receipt can be sent.

Attention: Katelyn Rupe (UVA Band Day)  
112 Old Cabell Hall  
PO Box 400176  
Charlottesville, VA 22904-4176

We are also able to accept Cash or Check when you check-in for Band Day. Exact change is strongly encouraged.