



Express Winds
Concert Band Encounter

We are inviting educators, studio teachers, collegiate players and accomplished instrumentalists from all walks of life to join us in St. Joseph this fall for our upcoming season. This ensemble's first season was last fall and we had fun sharing great music. Let's do it again!

A new twist on this year's group will be inviting outstanding high school musicians, those who have made the All-District Honor band or other groups of equal stature, to join us. Imagine having top high school players sitting next to professional level players on their instrument. They will grow as musicians and performers as they share parts and hear and see accomplished players on their own instrument. It will also give strong students from smaller schools a chance to tackle advanced literature that often can be out of reach for smaller bands that don't have a full instrumentation. For students from larger schools, it is their chance to play indoors during marching season. Just think of the head start those students will have on their legitimate performance skills as marching schools move indoors from their outdoor seasons. Face it, it will be good for all!

Here's our schedule.

Monday evening rehearsals from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

September 11 and 25

October 9 and 23

November 6. (Dress rehearsal)

Concert Tuesday, November 7 6:30 p.m.

The rehearsals will be held in the new band room at St. Joseph Christian School on Riverside Road and Gene Field. We thank SJCS for allowing us to use this facility. This is a room big enough for a large band so *THE MORE THE MERRIER!*

The November concert will be shared with the SJCS Advanced Concert Band at Frederick Boulevard Baptist Church in St. Joseph. It is located at the intersection of Frederick Ave and Riverside Road. The church shares easy access, good seating and a good sounding venue for music groups.

Please let us know if you want to be a part of this group. Email Jeff or Joe at expresswindsband@gmail.com with your interest and let us know what instrument(s) you play.

Invite your top students and encourage them to join us!

Possible literature for the fall:

Caccia and Chorale, Williams Magnum Mysterium, Lauridsen

William Tell Overture, Arr. Sousa One Life Beautiful, Julie Giroux

Please let us know of your interest as soon as possible so we can prepare for a wonderful season.

Musically,

Jeff Hinton and Joe Voga, Directors