

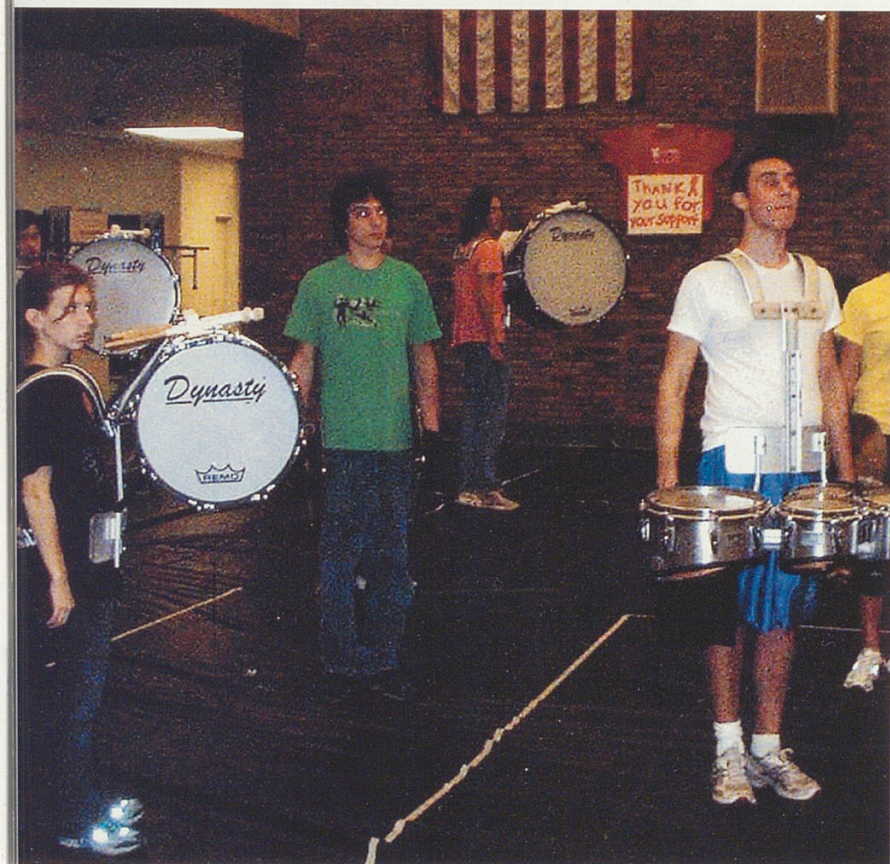


Grant Shardelow, 12, Ellen Farr, 11, Whitney Sheblessy, 12, and Allison Coleman, 11, rock the saxophone section in Pep Band. They played during the boys basketball game against Oak Hills. Pep band always had a great time cheering on the teams.

Winds symphony was full of girls and boys who aspired to join the marching band, and people who simply enjoyed being in band. This combination of dedicated hard working band members made up what everyone knew to be Winds Symphony. This band, directed by **Mr. Danny Frank**, practiced every day during fifth bell. "Band is a lot of fun, I get to meet a lot of new people, and play some really awesome music," said **Aaron Fried, 11**.

Though the members of Winds Symphony did not choose to go to competition, all of their hard work paid off at their concerts for parents, friends, and peers. Winds Symphony also attended Pancake Day in March and performed its songs. For each concert they performed three to five songs from various composers, and they always did a wonderful job. We applaud Winds Symphony for their hard work and excellent use of talent!

Winter Drumline practices with great dedication. Meredith Troy, 10, Payne Helmers, 10, and Aaron Lee, 12, all stood ready for their next instruction from **Mr. Ben Schultz**. Drumline always enjoyed practice and worked hard for their competitions.



Pep Band was yet another example of how the band members could work together to support their fellow students. Led by band director, **Mr. David Swift**, Pep Band had a great year.

In Pep Band, students had the freedom to choose which instrument they preferred.

"Pep band rocks my socks! Any one can play any instrument they want, and the music is a ton of fun," said **Ellen Farr, 11**.

Pep Band always knew how to have a good time while playing great music. Pep Band met before each performance to practice their songs, and perfect any mistakes.

"I love how easy going the practices and performances are. It makes Pep Band more fun," said **Dana Bahir, 11**.

The audience always enjoyed the up-beat songs that Pep Band played, such as the fight song. These girls and boys always pulled together an excellent band, and they always had smiles on their faces. Pep band kept the crowd hyped and the teams ready for success.

Mary Lynn Phillips, 10 plays her clarinet with her fellow Wind Symphony members. They practiced during fifth bell for the winter concert. All of the band was really excited to play its songs.



We have all done it at some point. You were innocently walking in the upper hallways casually getting a drink by the water fountain, and suddenly you round the corner towards the band hallway, BAM! Winter Drumline starts their drums rolling and you've just popped an ear drum. You may have then begun to wonder how those guys did that every day. Winter Drumline seemed to be all about loud drums and beats, but its members said otherwise.

"It's all about having something fun to look forward to, and in the end coming up with something fantastically cool and out of this world," said **Christian Mavriplis, 10**.

To get into Drumline was a tricky process. Students downloaded the composed audition music from blackboard and practiced then went to the audition. **Mr. Ben Schultz** and **Mr. John Corson** led drums and pit to the WGI championships. Drumline always had fun during championships.

"I like it; I love it; I want some more of it," said **Matthew Teegarden, 11**.

Drumline's loud but fabulous beats kept after school hallway dwellers dancing and parents and judges cheering.

"It's more about the good atmosphere, being with your friends while you play the instrument that you love."

-**Harrison Steinbuch, 11**