



The Melrose High School Marching Band and the Melrose Bandaiders thank you for choosing to perform at the Melrose NESBA show on Saturday, September 26, 2026. We are excited to see your show and to welcome your musicians, staff, families and fans.

Attached to this document is a labeled campus diagram, an invoice and a link to our W-9 form. The information sheet and detailed performance schedule with warm-up times follow separately. Our warm-up times start 55 minutes before performance time.

When you arrive at Melrose High School your bus(es) will be greeted by an adult Check-in volunteer who will give each band and color guard performer a handstamp for entry into the show. Your staff and volunteers should have their lanyards with them and visible for entry to the field area. Only buses will be allowed to park in the Buses/Truck parking area. All other staff/volunteers should park across the street in the Knoll Visitor Parking area.

A Melrose volunteer Band Guide with a sign listing your band, warm-up time and location and gate time will accompany your band to your warm-up area on time and then escort you to the field gate.

We look forward to welcoming you to Melrose and wish you a great marching season!

Sincerely,

Kat McCusker and Jennifer Manning

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Information for September 26, 2026 NESBA Competition at Melrose High School

Location: Melrose High School
360 Lynn Fells Pkwy
Melrose, MA

Time: See schedule at:
<https://nesba.org/event/nesba-fall-event-in-melrose-ma/>
or detailed schedule below.

Parking: All units will park in the teachers/administration lot adjacent to Melrose High School off of Melrose Street.

Your bus will be greeted by an adult volunteer who will have hand stamps for your performers. The adult volunteer will introduce you to your Band Guide volunteer, who will take you to your warm up area and to the field at the appointed times. Please see the attached map for locations of warm-up areas, restrooms, and competition area.

Spectator parking will be in several areas around the football field:

- On street parking: Lynn Fells Parkway and Tremont Street
- In the “Knoll” Parking Lot across Lynn Fells Parkway from the high school/middle school complex
- In the lot behind Marcoux Gym at the rear of the middle school/high school complex on Melrose Street.
- There is NO PARKING in the high school parking lot for anyone besides buses. If you have staff come separately, they must park in one of the other parking areas.

Warm Up: Marching Units will warm up on either the East Side Knoll or West Side Knoll fields across the Lynn Fells Parkway from the bus parking area. Please play facing away from the stadium. There are traffic lights to assist crossing and the labeled crossing areas.

Color guards can warm up on the “Cabbage Patch” field directly in front of the schools.

Pit ensembles can warm up in the bus parking lots or the courtyard between the school buildings so they do not have to cross the street.

Note: The west, or Tremont St. entrance to the stadium will not be used this year. All attendees will enter from the east side of the field, nearest the Middle School building.

NESBA 9/26/26 at Melrose High School

UNIT NAME	WARMUP	Warmup Area	READY LINE	PERFORMANCE
Marching Band Division II				
Medford	4:05 PM - 4:35 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 1	4:50 PM	5:00 PM
Oliver Ames	4:20 PM - 4:50 PM	East Side Knoll, Area 1	5:05 PM	5:15 PM
Reading	4:35 PM - 5:05 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 2	5:20 PM	5:30 PM
Danvers High School Falcon Band	4:50 PM - 5:20 PM	East Side Knoll, Area 2	5:35 PM	5:45 PM
Marching Band Division III				
Lowell	5:05 PM - 5:35 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 1	5:50 PM	6:00 PM
New Bedford	5:20 PM - 5:50 PM	East Side Knoll, Area 1	6:05 PM	6:15 PM
Salem Witches	5:35 PM - 6:05 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 2	6:20 PM	6:30PM
Andover	5:50 PM - 6:20 PM	East Side Knoll, Area 2	6:35 PM	6:45 PM
INTERMISSION 7:00 PM				
Marching Band Division IV				
North Reading	6:35 PM - 7:05 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 1	7:20 PM	7:30 PM
Biddeford High School	6:50 PM - 7:20 PM	East Side Knoll, Area 1	7:35 PM	7:45 PM
Melrose	7:05 PM - 7:35 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 2	7:50 PM	8:00 PM
Marching Band Division V				
Randolph High School	7:20 PM - 7:50 PM	East Side Knoll, Area 2	8:05 PM	8:15 PM
Mansfield	7:35 PM - 8:05 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 1	8:20 PM	8:30 PM
Wakefield HS	7:50 PM - 8:20 PM	East Side Knoll, Area 1	8:35 PM	8:45 PM
Boston University Marching Band	8:05 PM - 8:35 PM	West Side Knoll, Area 2	8:50 PM	9:00 PM
Awards [All Divisions]	9:10 PM			

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Date		
September 1, 2026	Invoice	

Thank you for your participation!



- 1a: Field Entrance
- 1b: Field Exit
- 2: Concessions
- 3: Tickets and Spectators Entrance
- 4: Bus Parking
- 5: Bus and Truck entrance
- 6: Restrooms
- 7: Cross Walks

Band Warm-up Areas

- 8: West Knoll Area 1
- 9: West Knoll Area 2
- 10: East Knoll Area 1
- 11: East Knoll Area 2