



# BE A PART OF THE LEGACY

The 'Pride of the West' has a 30 year history of excellence. The 'Pride of the West' Marching Band are 4-time state champions and are the current 3-time defending state champions. They have also performed in numerous events across the United States, including the Pearl Harbor Day Parade in Hawaii, the Rose Parade in Pasadena, and the Presidential Inaugural Parade in Washington DC. Additionally, MRHS Ensembles have performed at the Music for All National Convention in Indianapolis, the Midwest Clinic in Chicago, the AMEA In-Service Conference, and more! Beyond this, our Varsity Winter Guard are 8-time state champions and routinely travel to Dayton, Ohio for the WGI World Championships!



# PRIDE OF THE WEST

The award-winning 'Pride of the West' is the high school band & guard program at Mountain Ridge High School in Glendale, AZ. Mountain Ridge is a part of the Deer Valley Unified School District and is proudly an Arizona 'School of Excellence.'

## Our Mission

The mission of the Mountain Ridge High School Band & Orchestra Program is to provide every student the opportunity to discover, explore, and ultimately reach their musical potential. By participating in the Mountain Ridge Band & Orchestra Program, students will work to achieve their potential as they develop confidence, cooperation, leadership, responsibility, and high standards of excellence and character, all while developing a sense of community. Band and Orchestra students will come to appreciate the transformative power of music and see music as a means of expression and creation. Through music education and the development of the whole student, we hope to instill into every student a lifelong understanding and appreciation for high-quality music and music-making.

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## Join the Band



# Why Band?

1. Membership in the largest, and one of the most successful, organization in DVUSD
2. Strong likelihood of academic success - music students routinely outperform their non-music peers on standardized test like the ACT and SAT
3. Positive camaraderie and support or peers and mentors across the MRHS campus
4. A positive social network that promotes academic prowess, self-discipline, creativity, teamwork, peer interaction, and leadership
5. New friends prior to the first day of school
6. Opportunities for skilled preparation and public performances across the state and country
7. Recognition in an aware-winning, nationally recognized program
8. Increased college admissions - music participation demonstrates time management, creativity, expression, and open-mindedness
9. Band provides student with an identity, a place to belong, and a place to be accepted by their peers

## FOLLOW THE MRHS BAND



### Facebook

Mountain Ridge High School Band



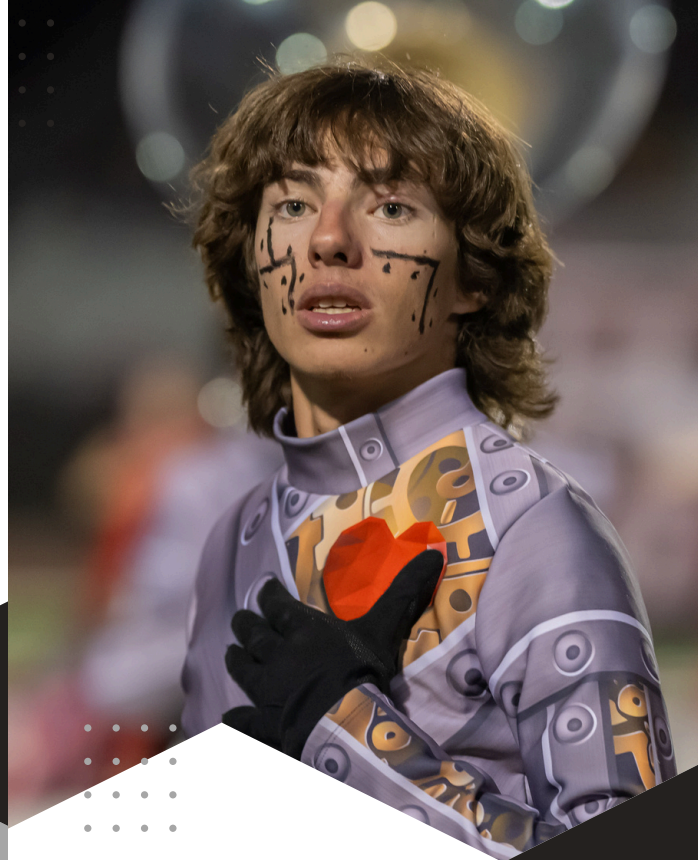
### Instagram

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### MRHS Band Website

mrhsband.net/



## Ensemble Opportunities

- ✓ Concert Ensembles
- ✓ Marching Band
- ✓ Jazz Ensembles
- ✓ Orchestra
- ✓ Chamber Ensembles
- ✓ Solo Performances
- ✓ Percussion Ensembles
- ✓ Color Guard
- ✓ Winterguard

## Registration

- ✓ **Incoming Woodwind and Brass**
  - Register for Concert Band. There is no audition required, but all students have the option to audition for placement in an upper level group. Contact Mr. Malone for audition information
- ✓ **Incoming Percussion Students**
  - Register for Percussion Ensemble. "Spring Trainings" are held on Monday evening throughout the spring semester.
- ✓ **Incoming Guard Students**
  - Register for Color Guard. Clinics will be held in April and May. Please contact Mr. Malone for more info regarding our color guard.

## Upcoming Dates

***Pride of the West Start of Day*** - May 17  
***"IYIT" Rehearsals*** - July 8, 10, 15, 17  
***Rookie Camp*** - July 12  
***Band Camp*** - July 20-24

### MRHS Band Calendar

