

CLASS C SCHOOL BAND PROFILE

School Size of this Classification: 75-150

Approximately 75 schools are in this classification state-wide.

"Average" Band Size: 45

Rehearsal Times:

Due to recent trends in scheduling, bands are running into difficulty when having rehearsals before school. Student conflicts with other activities, that in the past have been held after school or in the evenings, are becoming more wide-spread.

Examples can include, but are not limited to, drill team, athletic practices, cheerleading practices, clubs and organizations such as speech, FBLA, FFA, etc. These groups have found it necessary to move before school because of the increasing number of after school and evening conflicts with athletic events.

Average Instrumental Staff:

A class C School should will have one person for the entire instrumental program 5-12. That teacher may also have responsibility for some or all of the vocal program. The director may be inexperienced and need some helpful hints or techniques to solve identified problems.

Age of Students Participating:

There **may** be 7th or 8th graders participating in the marching band program.

Unique Problems:

Because of the relatively small student body, a Class C average band enrollment could represent up to well over 50% of the total enrollment, and thus students are very likely to be involved in many different activities. A schedule conflict that pulls 10 students out of rehearsal could quite effectively shut down the band's opportunity to effectively rehearse since that "small" number could very easily represent 25% of the entire band.

Budget expenditures are at the full discretion of the administration and are probably based upon the administrator's "interest" in the band program.

Instrumentation:

Bands may have some color instruments and may have some specialized marching brass. However, this would be the exception rather than the rule.

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