**Wesley Foundation Band Application**

*Due: Friday, April 3*

Print or email application to Katie Heckel // katieheckel2@gmail.com.

Thank you for your interest in being part of one of the bands at Wesley Foundation and for filling out this application. After we review the applications, we will plan a time to meet with each applicant either in a group setting or one-on-one. Typically, there are not enough spots in the bands for the amount of people who apply. We will prayerfully discern each application. If it does not work for you to be in a band at this time, we’ll offer other opportunities to do music at other events. We also may choose to ask you to send in a video of you playing or singing. Thank you for applying!

**Purpose and Vision for bands at Wesley**

* To be genuine people who honor the Lord with authentic worship on and off the stage
* To be a team of Spirit-filled leaders used by the Lord to lead others into God’s presence thru music
* To protect the atmosphere in which the Spirit of God is invited to save, deliver, heal, and transform lives

**Team Commitment and Expectations**

To serve faithfully and effectively as a member of a Wesley music band, will you seek God’s grace to help you do the following:

**1. Spiritual Preparation:** Worship on a platform is the overflow of a lifestyle of worship and a heart that is well cultivated throughout the week. Personal spiritual intimacy with Jesus is our first priority. It is impossible for us to lead others in worship if we are not worshipers ourselves. Since band members provide an example of and help create an atmosphere for worship for those seeking Christ, one must know Christ to participate and serve out the overflow of a relationship with God.

**2. Musical Preparation:** Rehearsal is not the same thing as practice. Band members practice the songs on their own and rehearse the songs together during rehearsal time. So rehearsal should not be the first time you practice the songs or listen to the songs. Being prepared also means having any gear or equipment that you intend to use on Tuesday with you for practice. Band leaders are responsible for printing song sheets out for band members.

**3. Attitude:** Do your best to be present, prompt, and prepared. Get to know and support your bandmates. Work through differences with gentleness. Play selectively. Don’t get stuck in the music either technically, by forgetting to worship, or preference-wise, by letting musical taste affect your worship experience. Serve in humility taking on the attitude of Christ.

**4. Punctuality:** Everyone’s time is valuable. It is important that everyone be punctual for rehearsals so that we use our limited time as efficiently as possible. Arriving early is always a great idea. If you are not able to make a rehearsal or be there for the worship service, please inform your band leader as soon as possible so that other arrangements can be made. If you cannot practice with the band the week before you play, arrangements will be made for someone to substitute for you at rehearsal and at Insight. It is also important to respond to messages and communicate well.

**5. Attendance:** We expect band members to attend Insight regularly (even on nights when your band is not leading). We encourage band members to grow deeper by joining a growth group or serving in a pod and by participating in special events at Wesley.

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***Contact Information***

Name:

Class:

Cell Phone:

Email:

Are you available for either Sunday night or Monday night rehearsals?

Are you available for rehearsal on Tuesday before Insight?

Do you plan to co-op?

How long have you been involved at Wesley?

***I am interested in auditioning for*** (please check all that apply):

**Band Leader**

**Vocal Team**

I am a (check one): *Soprano Alto Tenor Bass Unsure*

Do you read music? *Yes No*

Rate your ability to sing harmony:

How would you describe your vocal style? (i.e. rock, pop, country, gospel)

Have you sung in a band before: *Yes No*

Do you play an instrument as well? *Yes No*

Please list instrument(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Band**

I am auditioning for (please check all that apply):

*acoustic guitar electric guitar piano/keyboard strings: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*bass drums/percussion other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

Have you played in a band or worship team before: *Yes No*

Do you own your own gear? *Yes No*

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1. Please list all the prior instrument experience/training you have had.

(e.g. formal lessons, self-taught)

1. Please list any prior worship band experiences.
2. Please list any prior worship leading experiences.
3. Who are some of your favorite worship artists and why?

5. What’s an improvement you’d suggest we make within our worship experience at Wesley?

7. What are you currently involved in at Wesley?