



2026 MARCHING RAVENS AUDITIONS: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What will 2026 Marching Ravens Auditions look like?

Marching Ravens auditions for the 2026 season will be unlike auditions in the past. For the 2026 season, sections will be spread across two days of auditions.

On Saturday, March 21, the following sections will audition:

- 9:00 AM – Saxophone & Trumpet
- 11:00 AM – Flute/Piccolo & Trombone
- 1:00 PM – Clarinet & Mellophone
- 2:00 PM – Baritone & Sousaphone

On Sunday, March 22, all Percussion sections will audition beginning at 9:00 AM.

Auditions will be held at the Ravens Under Armour Performance Center, located at 1 Winning Drive, Owings Mills MD 21117.

To attend auditions, you must register online by Wednesday, March 18 2026.

Who can audition for the Marching Ravens?

Baltimore's Marching Ravens has openings in all sections. Sections we will be auditioning for are:

- Flute/Piccolo
- Clarinet
- Saxophone
- Mellophone
- Trumpet
- Trombone
- Baritone
- Sousaphone
- Snare Drum
- Tenor Drum
- Bass Drum
- Cymbal
- Crew Members* (application due by Feb 25th)

We will not be auditioning for the following sections: keyboards, guard, dancers, guitar, twirlers, or drum kits.



What are the minimum qualifications to audition?

You must be 18 years or older by March 21, 2026 to audition for the Marching Ravens. You must have a background in reading music and marching.

What can I do to prepare for auditions?

To audition for the 2026 ensemble, you must submit your registration by Wednesday, March 18 2026. We also recommend you review the audition packet in full, which will become available one month before auditions. If you have any questions or concerns, you can reach out to the Marching Ravens Administration via email at marchingravens@ravens.nfl.net or by phone at (410) 701-4229.

Are auditions open to the public?

No, auditions are closed to the public. Family and friends are not permitted to watch auditions, and if musicians are driven by someone else, the driver will be asked to wait outside of our facilities.

What should I bring to auditions?

Please bring your own instrument for 2026 auditions. Exceptions can be made for baritones, mellophones, sousaphones, and percussion instruments.

Please wear sneakers or athletic shoes. Sandals or flip flops are not permitted. Wear clothing that you feel comfortable marching in. Please bring music for your audition, as music will not be provided onsite.

I have another question regarding the Marching Ravens. Who should I contact?

Please contact the Band Administration via email at marchingravens@ravens.nfl.net or by phone at (410) 701 – 4229.



2026 GENERAL MARCHING RAVENS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are some of the benefits of being a Marching Ravens Musician?

Members of the Marching Ravens have several opportunities, including but not limited to:

- The ability to perform in front of 70,000 fans during Ravens home games
- Exposure through network television, media, high profile events, and community relations events
- Occasional opportunity for travel to represent the Baltimore Ravens at parades and other events outside of Baltimore
- Uniforms and apparel are provided for all performers; brass and percussion instruments are provided for those performers outside of the audition date
- Pride of becoming a Marching Raven and inclusion in a diverse community of musicians known worldwide

What is the time commitment of joining the Marching Ravens?

Being a member of the Marching Ravens is an experience you will never forget. You can expect the following as a Marching Ravens performer:

- Attending and performing at all home games for the season. The Marching Ravens arrive approximately 5 hours before kickoff for each game. Games are typically on the weekends but there is a possibility of weekday games throughout the season.
- Rehearsals are once a week, typically on Wednesday nights from 7 – 10 pm.
- Rehearsals begin mid-spring and continue through the entire Baltimore Ravens football season, including Playoff games in January.
- Each Marching Raven should plan to attend approximately 10 appearances (not including home games) each season. Dates of mandatory full-band appearances will be provided with ample notice.

Is there an age limit to audition for the band?

You must be 18 years or older by March 21, 2026 to audition for the Marching Ravens.

Are band members paid?

Yes, members of the Marching Ravens are paid for rehearsals, games, and appearances.