

Central Michigan University Seventy-Second Band Day

Saturday, September 19, 2026

Likely Game Day Schedule – Kick-off has not yet been set by ESPN. We will adjust times accordingly if the kick is scheduled later in the afternoon.

- 7:30 am** All-Star Bands arrive at Kelly/Shorts Stadium. All buses and other vehicles will Park in Lot 70, West of the Stadium, which worked so well in last year. Maps will be included in a later mailing. Once parked, Buses may not return to the stadium until AFTER the game. Upon arrival, each director is asked to check in with Dr. Batcheller, our graduate assistants, or drum majors to receive field charts with your band's position. **No field charts are included in this mailing, and all bands will be placed on the field in the order in which they report.** Time and individual school policy permitting, your students should plan to change into uniform at your buses. Otherwise, all performers should be in uniform when you arrive, as there are no changing facilities at the stadium. Uniform modifications based on weather are at each director's discretion!
- 8:15 am** Assume rehearsal position as per information on the field chart. Please be prompt. **Sectional rehearsals will begin once the massed band has been placed.**
- 8:30 am** Rehearsal begins: Sectionals, then Full Band. The Marching Chips will present a special musical salute to the visiting bands at the end of rehearsal.
- 10:15 am** Lunch. There are numerous fast-food establishments nearby or you may choose to bring your own lunches and "tailgate" near your buses. Some local vendors may offer delivery to your buses.
- 12:40 pm** The CMU Marching Band will enter for the pre-game ceremony and the playing of our National Anthem. All visiting bands must be seated well in advance of this time to avoid the crowds.
- 1:00 pm** CMU vs. The University of Wyoming

Band Day Music: Shiver Me Timbers!

1. *Wellerman* - Arr. Murtha, Hal Leonard - \$60.00 - JWPepper No. 11342219(E)
2. *Baby Shark* - Arr. Bocook, Hal Leonard - \$60.00 - JWPepper No. 11342220(E)
3. *I'm Shipping Up to Boston* - Arr. Murtha, Hal Leonard - \$65.00 - JW Pepper No. 10304938(E)
4. *The Central Fight Song* - Loomis/Dietz, Pub. CMU

Arrangements 1, 2, & 3 are recent publications currently in print and are available from your favorite dealer. All are available via JW Pepper's E-print service. Audio recordings of all three can be accessed at jwpepper.com. A **2014 edition of *The Central Fight Song*** has been sent to recent Band Day participants. If you haven't received yours, you may request one **at no cost** from Jim Batcheller at batch1jc@cmich.edu