



Cheshire High School Band  
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CHESHIRE – School doesn't start for another week, but the 120 members of the Cheshire High School Marching Ram Band are already hard at work, preparing to defend the Group V United States Scholastic Band Association All-State Title they've won for two years in a row.

"It's a big challenge, but it just means we have to work that much harder," said John Kuhner, the school's band director.

Practice started Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> as members of the band and color guard got their first peek at this year's field show. The musical program is entitled "Frida, A Musical Celebration of The Artist," a tribute to Mexican painter Frida Kahlo.

Kuhner said the musical arrangement by Jim Wunderlich and Michael Blancaflor brilliantly incorporates famed composer Aaron Copland's El Salon Mexico and the sound score from the movie "Frida" by Elliot Goldenthal.

"The music has a real passion to it," Kuhner said.

For more information about the band visit [www.ramband.com](http://www.ramband.com).

(News organizations that want to send photographers to shoot one of the band's preseason practices should send them either Wednesday or Thursday between 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.)