

August 2022



Upcoming Events

Aug 1st-5th 9-5

Band Camp

Aug 8th-12th 12-8

Band Camp

Aug 11th 7 PM

Preview show for parents

Aug 15th 9 AM

Back to school performance
for teachers

Aug 17th

First day of school

Aug 18th 6-9

Full band rehearsal

August 20th 10-2

Full band rehearsal

August (TBD) 6-9

Meet the team night &
rehearsal

August (TBD) 6-9

Full band rehearsal

August 26th

Away Game @ Southwestern

Aug 27th 10-2

Full band rehearsal

Aug (TBD) 3-5:30

Winds & percussion rehearsal

TALES FROM BAND CAMP



WHAT IS BAND CAMP?

Band Camp is a series of mandatory rehearsals during the first two weeks of August that teaches the basics of marching band, how to march, setting drill and coordinates, learning show music, and gaining a strong rapport with fellow members in the band. We will begin with the basics and move quickly to working on the show. We hope to have a fair amount of the show learned by the time band camp is over.

WHY IS BAND CAMP SO IMPORTANT?

The two weeks of band camp allow the students to concentrate on the marching band show without interruptions from normal routines at home. It ensures that students are at every rehearsal and have time to work with their section. It is two weeks of intense study of the music and learning the drill. It is a time of bonding, hard work, frustration and fun! For those of you new to band camp, don't worry. Although the days are long, they go by quickly and we try our best to make everything as fun as possible. Just try hard and you'll be fine.

HOW TO PREPARE

- Get plenty of rest before, during and after. There is a physical component to camp and you may feel achy or tired a few hours or a few days in.
- Students should always plan to arrive at least 15 minutes before the start of camp to prepare themselves to be in place when camp begins. End time is when we are expected to end practice. Time may then be required for announcements or reminders and to put equipment away. Remember: If you arrive on time, you're late. If you arrive early, you're on time.
- Listen – Just get in line, stay in step, do whatever is asked of you. Listening attentively tends to get things done a lot quicker There's nothing worse than re-running a drill set over because someone wasn't tuned in to the directions.
- A Positive Attitude – the success of this entire ensemble, from students through staff, will be based on the positive attitude that we bring every day to camp. We all want to have a positive experience, and we all want to reach a great level of success this year. That being said, the attitude that we bring each day will be a direct attribute to the success that we achieve.

WHAT TO BRING EACH DAY

- Your music
- Backpack to carry your supplies
- Equipment – instrument, drum sticks, flags, rifles, etc.
- Sunscreen – there will be plenty of opportunity for you to achieve your award-winning tan
- Insect repellent or bug spray
- LARGE insulated container of water each day--NOT a bottle—a large container/jug/cooler! It is very important that you stay hydrated in the heat.
- Lunch—VERY important
- Apron, Dot Book & Pencil--you will need them at every rehearsal
- Washcloth or hand towel to wipe down hands/face and cool down from activity

Don't forget to check CHARMS for updates to the calendar.



Some of y'all complaining about the heat have never been to band camp ... and it shows.



FAIR SHARE PARTICIPATION



WAS DUE FOR EACH STUDENT BY 8/1. If you have not already done so, please remit your payment via credit card through CHARMS, or by check. Checks may be deposited in the secure RED box in Mr. Poole's office.

WHAT TO WEAR

Since we are outside for a large portion of band camp, we strongly recommend the following:

- Wear comfortable clothes (shorts and a light or white-colored t-shirt) and quality sneakers.
- Sunglasses and your white marching band hat are optional but are good to have when we are outside to protect you from the sun.

LAST THOUGHTS REGARDING CAMP

- Expect to work really hard and to feel uncomfortable at times.
- Expect to learn more in a week of band camp than your last year of middle school. Expect the unexpected--just ask some of our returning band members to tell their band camp stories. There is nothing to fear about the band camp experience. After it is over, you will look forward to returning next year. Our staff and leadership team work hard to provide a nurturing environment for all members of the band. We look forward to a good camp and some fun.
- Keep cool-physically and mentally. Keep hydrated and don't overheat. Also, keep a calm mind--so you can't hit the note at first or you miss your placement--keep trying, listen graciously to advice, and it will eventually come.
- Show Respect – For the director, staff, leadership, and parents who are around to help and for your team members.



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Have an Idea?

Students & Parents--if you have any photos to share or ideas/suggestions about what to include in future newsletters, please contact our Booster Secretary, Jen Kuhns at jenkuhns66@gmail.com

WELCOME TO OUR 2022 NEW BAND MEMBERS:

- ✓ Lucas Cluster
- ✓ Juno Delozier
- ✓ Evan Dunkle
- ✓ Kemper Frederick
- ✓ Alena Galante
- ✓ Ashlynn Gantz
- ✓ Jake Blazek-Hamulek
- ✓ Megan Johannesen
- ✓ Nate Johannesen
- ✓ Weylin Kane
- ✓ Bradley Miller
- ✓ Jacob Mott
- ✓ Olivia Myers
- ✓ Charlie Schaffer
- ✓ Nick Singh
- ✓ Nicholas Toregrossa
- ✓ Aaron Walters
- ✓ Zoe Wickrowski

FROM THE NEW FREEDOM PARADE ...



WELCOME TO
THE BAND!



**Our Next Booster Meeting
will be on Monday 8/8/22
AT 7:00 PM.**

It will take place while the students are finishing up their day at band camp. Please join us to hear about upcoming events, ask questions, explore volunteer opportunities and meet other band parents. This is a great way to become involved, meet other parents, and share the band experience with your student.

Student Shout Out To ...

MAC SCHAFFER

Mac was awarded multiple medals in the International Geography Championships last month at the University of Vermont. Mac was the only middle school student representing PA. WAY TO GO!



International
Geography
Championships

OUR SENIOR SPOTLIGHT – Sylvia Balog



This is Sylvia's 5th year in marching band and she is serving as a section leader, band president & librarian. Sylvia plays the alto sax as well as tenor saxophone, soprano saxophone, clarinet, bass clarinet, piano/synth, and marimba.

In addition to marching band, Sylvia has participated in Concert Band, Jazz Band, Sax Ensemble and Indoor Drum Line. One of her favorite band experiences was performing a Shrek-themed section showcase with the woodwinds/front ensemble. She also enjoyed making up random dances in Indoor.

Sylvia is a member of the Susquehannock Girls' Tennis Team and is a former member of the York Swim Team. Her other hobbies include music, helping to improve the environment, art, reading, and collecting crystals.

She works as an assistant manager at Justines Ice Cream Parlour in Ocean City, Maryland. Sylvia is an only child and lives with her mom, dad, 3 dogs and 1 cat. One of her dogs is named Clark W. Griswald.

Sylvia is hoping to attend Oklahoma University to pursue a degree in zoology, minoring in music theory. She has many responsibilities and she is happy to take them on in order for her customers, coworkers, and fellow bandmates to find enjoyment and fulfillment in life.



Band Booster Board

President: Kris Cysyk
VP Means: Mary Pohlig
VP Ways: Gevene Harden
Treasurer: Tony Warner
Secretary: Jennifer Kuhns

NEW WEBSITE

Be sure to check out our new website at www.warriorbands.org. We hope our band community will find this a useful resource. Feedback and suggestions are welcome. Thank you to Tony Warner for spearheading this project.

SPIRIT STORE

Our Spirit Store through Elliott Productions is currently open. Visit <https://shsband2022.itemorder.com/> to browse for band jackets, hoodies and blankets. These items make great gifts for students. Notify Mary Pohlig if you are purchasing items as a gift so that she doesn't give the item(s) to the student. **NOTE:** Returning students who have patches they want sewn onto their jackets should give them to Mary. Elliott charges \$5.00 per patch. **The store closes on August 7th at 11:59 PM.**

NO HASSLE FUNDRAISER

This annual fundraiser kicked off with the first day of band camp. The No Hassle parent team met with students and provided a brochure and mailing labels to them to complete and return. Students should work with their parents to address as many labels as possible (more labels = more support for the band) and return them no later than Friday, 8/5. As an incentive to return labels, drawings for prizes are being held. The more labels a student turns in, the more chances they have to win! Letter signing happens during the second week of band camp, when the kids send letters to everyone who loves them and wants to support them and the band. Please direct any questions to Mary Pohlig, Kris Cysk, Katerina Cluster, or Kelly Schaffer.

SPIRIT NIGHT AT AUGUST 15TH

Band camp will be starting. Treat the over and school will be starting. Treat the family to a relaxing dinner at Seven. The Boosters will receive a portion of dine-in restaurant sales from 4:00-9:00 PM.

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