

Weekly Newsletter

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE					
Monday 8/3	Tuesday 8/4	Wednesday 8/5		Thursday 8/6	Friday 8/7
New Member Rehearsal 6:00 - 8:00 PM More info on Monday's rehearsal found below.	Tuba Sectional 12:00 – 2:00 PM NOTO'S HOAGIE SALE BEGINS!!	Trombone Sectional 11:00 - 12:30 PM Guard Sectional 5:00 - 8:00 PM		Trumpet Sectional 10:00 – 12:30 PM Band Council Meeting 2:00 PM	
Saturday 8/8			Sunday 8/9		

NEW MEMBER REHEARSAL! MONDAY, AUGUST 03

Monday's rehearsal is for all NEW MEMBERS and BAND COUNCIL.

Arrival times & locations are as follows:

Tent #1 (closest to auditorium):

Percussion - 5:30 p.m.

Tuba & Baritone - 5:40 p.m.

Flags & Honor Guard - 5:50 p.m.

Tent #2 (middle):

Mellophones & Trombones - 5:30 p.m.

Saxophones - 5:40 p.m.

Clarinets - 5:50 p.m.

Tent #3 (by trailer):

Trumpets - 5:30 p.m.

Flutes - 5:40 p.m.

Majorettes - 5:50 p.m.

Students should bring with them:

- Instrument and/ or equipment
- Mask and/ or facial covering
- Water Jug (64 oz or larger w/ name labeled on it)
- Sneakers (w/ laces)
- Music in a flippo (in a binder percussion)

What to expect:

The main objective of Monday's rehearsal is for our new members to become comfortable with our marching band, get to know the staff and student band council, and learn the fundamentals of marching. We will also start learning a few stand songs.

In the event of RAIN:

A decision will be made by NOON on Monday regarding whether we will hold this practice in person. If not, we will be hosting a short zoom from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. for all new members to go over important items and get to know one another so they feel prepared for camp!

FUNDRAISING

Noto's Hoagie Coupon Sale is here!



This popular fundraiser will run August 4-18th. Each coupon is \$7.00 and valid for one (1) hoagie from Noto's Deli (choice of ham, turkey, roast beef, Italian, egg salad, tuna salad or tuna salad). Coupons expire on December 31, 2020. Orders and payment (one check payable to IMA) are *due by August 21st* and coupons will be distributed the first week of September. For more details visit our website.

Questions? Contact Ralph Howe @ ralphwhowe@gmail.com or 484-597-3481.

2020 March A Thon (Social Distanced!) - Our annual March A Thon is right around the corner. This event will take place on Friday, August 14. Our goal is to raise \$3,000 at this event! For information on our **2020 March A Thon**, please click here.

Yankee Candle Fundraising: All online & ships direct to consumer!! Order your next round of candles and benefit the IMA! Information on how to do so can be found here. The IMA earns 45% on every purchase (that is up to \$8.00 on some candles)! *Questions? Contact Kelsey Kish at: yankeecandle@eahsmusic.org*

2020 BAND CAMP INFORMATION

Items Needed:

- Three Ring Binder
- Pencils
- Water Jug (w/ name labeled 64 oz or larger)
- Sunscreen
- Mask
- Plastic Sheets (purchase at Dollar Store)
- Field Markers
- Flippo & Lyre (Wind Instruments)
- Sneakers (with laces, no slip on shoes)



Arrival Information:

Students will check in at the following locations & times:

Tent #1 (closest to auditorium):

Percussion - 7:30 a.m. / 3:30 p.m. Tuba & Baritone - 7:40 a.m. / 3:40 p.m. Flags & Honor Guard - 7:50 a.m. / 3:50 p.m.

Tent #2 (middle):

Mellophones & Trombones - 7:30 a.m. / 3:30 p.m. Saxophones - 7:40 a.m. / 3:40 p.m. Clarinets - 7:50 a.m. / 3:50 p.m.

Tent #3 (by trailer):

Trumpets - 7:30 a.m. / 3:30 p.m. Flutes - 7:40 a.m. / 3:40 p.m. Majorettes - 7:50 a.m. / 3:50 p.m.

Upon checking in, students will report to their assigned sectional locations.

*Students driving to camp should park on the 2nd & 3rd levels. All drop offs should use the bottom level.

Forms:

If you have not completed the following forms, they must be completed prior to August 03:

- Medical Form
- Image Use Release Form

Other Information:

Please be sure to reference the <u>Band Camp Welcome Letter</u> for information regarding snacks, student athletes, donations, & other items.

Interested in volunteering at band camp?!

Please complete this SignUp Genius with your availability!

2020 STRINGS CAMP!

OUR FORMAT HAS CHANGED!

We are adjusting our typical strings camp for this year. The orchestra council has decided to hold our strings camp after the start of the school year, rather than in August. We want to get adjusted to the new routines of being in the building first, before starting to practice inside.

WHAT IS THE PLAN?

Outdoor social event (get to know you) with strings the week of August 24.

Once we have a better idea of what school will look like, we are hoping to do a few evening string rehearsals starting in the middle of September. Here, we will work on our string music while also doing activities to get to know one another and create that bond that brings us together as an ensemble.

WHAT WILL BE HAPPENING IN THE MEANTIME?

Prior to our first get to know you event, each student should be in contact with their section representative or the orchestra senior officers. Some sections will hold Zoom meetings to get to know each other and stay in contact so we can start the year off strong together.

Our band & orchestra councils also plan fun social events virtually throughout the summer. This Monday, July 27, the students will be holding their second Trivia Night via Zoom. Students should reach out to their section representative with any questions!

I will keep you updated as we learn more information and see what our year will bring. Please let me know if you have any questions and how I can best help.

Mr. Ballentine



SAVE THE DATE!

Meet the Band Night

Wednesday August 26th 5:00 - 8:00 PM

46th Annual First Flag Over the United Colonies

Saturday September 26th

Sponsorship and Program Ads due by August 21st!

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Interested in being a volunteer?

Clearances are required for all volunteers and chaperones. Information on how to obtain clearances can be found here. Jason Alley, IMA Vice President, is responsible for coordinating all IMA chaperones and will need to receive your approval letter from EASD. His email is: yp@eahsmusic.org.



In addition to chaperone & volunteer opportunities, we have the following IMA chairperson positions open:

- o Orchestra Uniforms
- o Baskets
- o Business Sponsorships
- o Hospitality

- o Palmer Days
- o Pastie Sale
- o Pie Sale
- o Scholarships

COVID – 19 HEALTH REMINDERS

Health & Safety Plan/COVID-19 Response information can be found online.

Sectional Reminders:

- Students should fill out the Google form prior to arriving for EACH sectional rehearsal and take their temperature before leaving home.
- Students are required to wear masks and BRING WATER.
- All practices will be held outside.
- Social distancing will be maintained during sectionals.
- Remember to follow CDC guidelines and instrument cleaning procedures found in the Health and Safety Folder on Google Drive.