



Weekly Newsletter

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday 8/17	Tuesday 8/18	Wednesday 8/19	Thursday 8/20	Friday 8/21
Band Camp 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Band Camp 4:00 – 8:00 PM <i>Hoagie Sale Ends</i>	Band Camp 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Senior Pictures	Band Camp 4:00 – 8:00 PM	Band Camp 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM <i>Hoagie Orders Due</i> FIRST FLAG ADS DUE!
Saturday 8/22			Sunday 8/23	

FUNDRAISING

Noto's Hoagie Coupon Sale is here!

This popular fundraiser comes to an end August 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 @ ralphhowe@gmail.com or 484-597-3481.

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*

Shop with Scrip:

You buy gift cards for over 750 retailer brands at which you already shop and earn a rebate on every gift card you purchase at face value. This rebate goes right to our organization. To learn more, click [here](#).

Amazon Smile:

Support the IMA while you [shop on Amazon!](#)

46TH ANNUAL FIRST FLAG BAND FESTIVAL

WHEN: Saturday, September 26, 2020

FORMAT: Virtual (this will be a livestream performance of our EAHS Band and other participating bands). More details to come at the September IMA meeting.

PROGRAM: We put together a program annually that consists of business ads, parent ads, and patron notes! Support our program by taking out an ad or a patron message.



[Patron messages](#) start at **\$5.00!** If every family took out one patron ad, we would raise over \$1,500 for the festival!

For families interested in taking out a larger ad for your student, please see [here!](#)

If you know of a business that would like to sponsor the program, please direct them to our [website](#).

SPONSORSHIPS & ADS DUE: Friday, August 21

Questions? Contact Jen Martellucci at firstflags@eahsmusic.org

BAND CAMP SNACK UPDATE!

We are BEYOND THANKFUL for all the snack donations thus far! Everyone has been so generous that we have an ABUNDANCE of snacks that will easily get us through the rest of camp.

If your snack date is coming up and you have not already purchased snacks, we are currently set for camp. If you already purchased your snack donation and want to still donate to the band, you are still more than welcome to do so at the Coke Wagon.

Thank you!

MEET THE BAND NIGHT UPDATE

Date: Wednesday, August 26

Report Time: 4:00 PM

Performance Begins: 7:00 PM

“Meet the Band” night will be held virtually this year. Information will be sent out to students & families on Wednesday of this week.

Every senior will be recognized throughout this evening, similar to our annual senior night. Seniors will also receive a flower to wear as a part of their recognition.

This night will also be in conjunction with our Picture Day.

STRINGS CAMP UPDATE

Our orchestra council met on Friday, August 14. Listed below is how we are tentatively going to proceed with our strings camp for this year!

August: Students will get together via Zoom with their sections. Orchestra Zoom nights will also be held throughout August & the beginning of September.

Tentative in-person rehearsals will be as follows:

Monday, September 21: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Monday, September 28: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Monday, October 05: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Monday, August 19: 6:00 - 8:00 PM



These rehearsals may be all strings or in sectionals depending on the current health situation, school district guidelines and CDC recommendations. More information will continue to be forthcoming regarding our strings camp!

If your child has **NOT** been contacted by their section representative, please email Mr. Ballentine at ballentinec@eastonsd.org.



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: vp@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](#).

Band Camp 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.
- Monitor your health on a daily basis! If you feel sick, please email Mr. Ballentine and stay home that day!



Next IMA Meeting: Tuesday, September 8, 2020 @ 7:00 PM