



Weekly Newsletter

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday 8/24	Tuesday 8/25	Wednesday 8/26	Thursday 8/27	Friday 8/28
Band Camp 4:00 – 8:00 PM	Band Camp 4:00 – 8:00 PM	Meet the Band Night Students Report 4:00 PM Performance 7:00 PM Picture Day Seniors Report @ 3:00 PM	Band Camp 4:00 – 8:00 PM	
Saturday 8/29			Sunday 8/30	

FUNDRAISING

IMA Jacket Sale

This annual sale will run August 26 - September 18. Jackets can be ordered online at www.eahsmusic.org or through the paper form. Any questions, they can contact me at mmartyak@gmail.com or at 610-390-6720.

Noto's Hoagie Coupon Sale

Thank you for supporting the Hoagie Sale! **Orders and payment were due by August 21st.** 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 (if you missed this deadline, please contact Jen Martellucci below)

Questions? Contact Jen Martellucci at firstflags@eahsmusic.org

MEET THE BAND NIGHT UPDATE

Date: Wednesday, August 26

Report Time: 4:00 PM (staggered arrivals as per usual beginning at 3:30 PM)

Performance Begins: 7:00 PM (livestream information will be sent prior to Wednesday)

“Meet the Band” night will be held virtually this year. The event will be structured as follows:

6:30 PM - Parade to field

7:00 PM - Performance begins (including drill demo of opener, part of our halftime show, stand songs, & Alma Mater)

8:00 PM - Estimated conclusion

8:30 PM - Pick Up & Student dismissal (30 minutes after performance conclusion - this provides families the ability to watch the livestream and then pick up their child after the performance is over).

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. Pictures will be taken at 4:00 PM.

SCHOOL STRING INSTRUMENT SIGN UPS

Students in need of a school STRING instrument should fill out this [Google Form](#) no later than Friday, August 28. Instrument distribution will occur the week of August 31.

MARCHING BAND SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER SCHEDULE UPDATE

Please see the link [here](#) for an updated marching band schedule for September & October. A few reminders:

- ★ Please be flexible with the uncertainty of the next few months. Scheduling changes will be made as far in advance as possible.
- ★ Due to the hybrid schedule approved by the board of education on Tuesday, August 18, our rehearsals will now take place in the evenings from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. to best accommodate ride situations. This was done after listening to many families express concerns over transportation arrangements.
- ★ The performances listed are all tentative and as changes arise, I will be sure to update you. Competitions will be held virtually this year. More to come on this.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to let me know. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Interested in being a volunteer?

If you are interested in being a volunteer or chaperone for the IMA complete details can be found online. We ask that you please complete the on-line IMA Parent/Guardian Interest Form found on the IMA Information page:

[Parent/Guardian Volunteer Information](#)



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:

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| o Orchestra Uniforms | o Palmer Days |
| o Baskets | o Pastie Sale |
| o Business Sponsorships | o Pie Sale |
| o Hospitality | 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