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Please check the band website, www.troycoltbands.org, for an up-to-date list of currently-scheduled band activities and everything band-related. Also, follow @OfficialTCBands on Twitter and "like" us on Facebook to get the latest band news.

Welcome!

We look forward to another great year with the 2017-2018 Troy Colt Marching Band!

Please read the following information, complete the attached forms prior to the May 25, 2017 meeting and note the band camp attendance policy on page 4.

Marching Band Orientation Meeting

All Marching Band students and at least one parent are required to attend.

Thursday, May 25, 2017

Troy High School Auditorium

5:45pm - fitting for gloves, shoes, compression shirt, and marching shorts

7:00pm - meeting

Make ONE check payable to "Troy High Band Boosters" for \$125 (non-refundable) Band Camp Deposit (or \$425 full payment if preferred), plus \$145 Operations Fee, plus any uniform component purchases.

Forms & fees will be collected.

(Final Band Camp Payment Due on July 15, 2017)

New members are required to purchase MTX shoes, gloves, compression shirt, and marching shorts through the Band Boosters.

Reminder to veterans: Please make sure your shoes still fit before coming to the meeting. Veterans are required to buy WHITE gloves.

Presentation by Mr. Nutting, including:

- Plans for upcoming season
- Summer Sectionals/New Member Clinics
- Band Camp Presentation
- Fall Performance Schedule

Summer Sectionals

Run weekly, starting in June

- ❖ Small group, music rehearsals, led by Section Leaders
(Section Leaders are students who instruct peers in musical preparations. Squad Leaders are students who instruct peers in areas of marching, field formation and parade routines.)
- ❖ Time and location determined by Section Leader
- ❖ Helps members collectively practice & memorize music
- ❖ **Required** of all Marching Band members

Pre-Camp Sectionals

Mr. Nutting will conduct *mandatory* sectionals from August 7-10, 2017

Monday, August 7

4-6pm Colorguard
6-7pm Flutes
7-8pm Clarinets
8-9pm Alto Sax/Mellophone

Tuesday, August 8

4-6pm Colorguard
5:45-8:15pm Percussion
6-7pm Bass Clarinet/Sousaphone
7-8pm Trombone/Baritone/Tenor Sax
8-9pm Trumpet

Wednesday, August 9

4-6pm Colorguard
5:45-8:15pm Percussion
6-7pm Flutes/Clarinets
7-8pm Alto Sax/Mellophone
8-9pm Pre-Band Camp meeting

Thursday, August 10

2-4pm Colorguard
4-5pm Bass Clarinet/Sousaphone/Trombone/Baritone/Tenor Sax
5-6pm Trumpet
6pm Photo session

Mandatory New Member Clinics (for all NEW members)

Monday-Wednesday, August 7-9 1pm – 4pm THS Band Room

- ❖ Attendance is *mandatory* for all new Marching Band members.
- ❖ Clinics are run by Drum Majors & Leadership under the direction of Mr. Nutting.
- ❖ New members will learn basic marching techniques and commands.
- ❖ Hazing will not be tolerated at THS or in the THS Bands.

Marching Uniform Distribution

Monday/Tuesday, August 7 & 8 **THS Auditorium Lobby**

Veterans - August 7, 4 - 8 pm

New Members - August 8, 4 - 8 pm

- ❖ All Band Camp and mandatory fees must be paid, and all required forms must be turned in before students will be assigned uniforms.
- ❖ Uniforms will be sent to our tailor for hemming and returned August 10, 4:30pm.
- ❖ Colorguard members will be issued pregame uniforms at this time.

Pre-Camp Meeting

Wednesday, August 9

8pm

THS Auditorium

- ❖ Attendance is required for all marching band students and at least one parent.
- ❖ Review camp:
 - Schedule
 - Room assignments
 - Packing list
 - Expectations/conduct code

Marching Band Photo

Thursday, August 10

6pm

THS Band Room

- ❖ Change into complete marching band uniform in band room for group and sectional photos (THS yearbook and football programs). Individual photos may also be ordered.
- ❖ Order envelopes will be distributed at uniform distribution.
- ❖ After the photo session, students must return uniforms, which will remain at school year round, to their assigned cabinet in the uniform storage room.

Leadership Training Day

Friday, August 11

Time: TBA

Location: Camp FaHoLo

- ❖ Training is required of Drum Major(s), Section Leaders, Squad Leaders, and Colorguard Captain(s) and led by Mr. Nutting.

Band Camp

Saturday – Friday, August 12–18 (report time TBA)

Camp FaHoLo, Grass Lake, MI

Total Band Camp Cost: \$425

Registration Forms and \$125 deposit are due Wednesday, May 25, 2017

- ❖ Purpose: Through rehearsals and team building, students learn and perfect marching band fundamentals, drill, parade dance, and music.
- ❖ Accommodations: Motel-like lodge, all meals and snacks included, dining hall, indoor rehearsal facility, marching practice fields, beachfront lake, swimming pool, basketball and tennis courts, and beach volleyball.
- ❖ Activities: Campfire, dance, social activities and games.
- ❖ Personnel: All Marching Band students, Mr. Nutting, instructional staff, and parent chaperones.

NOTE: CAMP ATTENDANCE POLICY - While at band camp, we will enforce a closed campus policy wherein no student will be allowed to arrive late, leave during, or depart early from band camp.

Sneak Preview Performance

Friday, August 18

6pm

THS Stadium

- ❖ Performance for parents, friends and relatives
- ❖ Showcase newly learned drills and routines

Overview of Required Events

- ❖ Marching Band Orientation Meeting
- ❖ Sectionals
- ❖ New Member Clinics
- ❖ Band Camp Meeting
- ❖ Band Camp (If you do not attend band camp, YOU DO NOT MARCH.)

Non-Profit Status

The Troy High Band Boosters is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.

At-a-Glance Marching Band Calendar

- May 25 Marching Band Orientation Meeting
Troy High School Auditorium
5:45pm - fitting for gloves, shorts, shoes, compression T-shirt
7:00pm - meeting - return completed forms and check
- June – July Summer Sectionals (TBA)
- July 15 Final Band Camp Payment Due
- Aug. 7-9 New Member Clinics
Band Room/Marching Practice Field 1-4pm
- Aug. 7-10 Sectionals, THS Band room, run by Mr. Nutting
- Monday, August 7**
4-6pm Colorguard
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8-9pm Pre-band camp meeting
- Thursday, August 10**
2-4pm Colorguard
4-5pm Bass Clarinet/Sousaphone/Trombone/Baritone/Tenor Sax
5-6pm Trumpet
6pm Photo session
- Aug. 7-8 Full Marching Uniform Distribution, Auditorium Lobby
Monday, Aug. 7 4-8pm Veterans Only
Tuesday, Aug. 8 4-8pm New Members
- Aug. 9 Pre-Band Camp Meeting – 8pm, THS Auditorium
- Aug. 10 Band Photo – 6pm, band room
- Aug. 11 Mr. Nutting & student leadership depart for camp
- Aug. 12 MB students and chaperones depart for band camp
- Aug. 18 Marching Band students return from band camp
6pm Sneak Preview Performance

Form Instructions

After completing your parent/student profile on the Charms website, complete the attached form packet, PRINT, and bring to the meeting. These forms have been designed to be completed **electronically** on your computer. For ease of completion and to enable our volunteers to easily input your student's information in the database, we **strongly encourage** you to complete the forms utilizing this method. Once completed on your computer, simply save, print (one-sided only), sign and bring the forms to the orientation meeting. DO NOT STAPLE FORMS TOGETHER.

If you are unable to complete the forms on your computer, please PRINT legibly.

The forms must be completed prior to, and returned at, the May 25 orientation meeting.

Form 1 – Band Registration & Consent for Field Trips

Parental consent is required for all band travel. Please complete and return this form.

Form 2 – Volunteer Parent Interests

Troy High Band Boosters (THBB) is a parent-supported, non-profit organization that provides assistance to the Troy High Band program. As a parent of a band student, you are automatically a member. As such, you are expected to volunteer your time, talents, and assistance in one or more areas. This page is a handy reference list of all the ways you can help. Please be sure to select your interests online in your Charms account. This will allow the Boosters to contact parents as events occur and/or additional assistance is needed. Your student and the THS Band program need you!

Form 3 – MB Performance Schedule/Contract

Additional performances may be added and changes may occur. **All band performances are mandatory.** Students are notified of performance commitments early enough to arrange their schedules accordingly. If you know there is an unavoidable conflict in your schedule, please make a note on the contract form. Unexcused absences will impact the student's grade and class standing.

Form 4 – Band Camp and Uniform Fees

Please mark which uniform items are needed and add cost to your camp deposit and fees check.

Form 5 & 6 – Health and Delegation to Treat

Michigan law requires that these forms be completed every year for each marching band student. A parent or guardian, along with another adult witness, must sign the Delegation to Treat Form.

These forms are taken to camp and on all band trips. In an emergency, an effort is made to contact the parents first. If parents cannot be reached, the emergency contact person is called. The emergency contact should be someone other than a parent. Please list a grandparent, aunt, uncle, close friend or someone whom you trust to assist your child during a health emergency. Returning members must fill out new forms each year.

Form 7 – Post-Band Camp Student Release Authorization

The State of Michigan requires that campers (students) are released only to authorized persons at the end of camp. Given the administrative difficulties of releasing each camper to the authorized parent or legal guardian in a timely manner, we ask that parents acknowledge their obligation to meet their camper at Troy High School after camp. This action thereby releases the Director of the Bands or his representatives, to check the identification of the persons to whom their camper is released.

All forms are also available on our band website at www.TroyColtBands.org under *File Cabinet, Forms.*

Questions?

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