

Parents

We are looking forward to the next school year. I have several things to include in this email. Please read it carefully.

Uniform Sponsorship Fundraiser

If you still have people donating to uniforms, feel free to let me know and we can get that taken care of.

Graduation

Students in grades 9 - 11 should arrive at the Landers Center in Southaven by 5:30 pm on Friday, May 25th. Students are responsible for bringing their own instrument and music. We will take the stands, percussion instruments, and tubas. Graduation begins at 7 pm and ends between 8:00 and 8:15. Students are asked to help load the trailer when we are finished. Students are encouraged to dress nice, but MODESTLY.

Physicals, Concussion Forms, Residency Proof, and Insurance

I have attached all the forms for the above things. I must have all these forms for your child to be eligible to participate through the state of MS. I must have all forms by MAY 25. If you have scheduled a physical shortly after that date, please scan the physical form and email it to me. We must also have the residency/insurance form. If you do not have health insurance for your child, we will have to get you set up with a school policy. It is not super expensive but must be done in order for your child to be eligible. Let me know if you need paperwork for that. **IF YOUR CHILD'S HEALTH INSURANCE STATUS CHANGES AT SOME POINT DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, I MUST BE NOTIFIED.**

Calendar

I have attached the calendar which you should have already received. Consider all these dates in stone until further notice. Remember that your child must attend everything on the calendar as well as practices. EVERY child in the program is vital to the success of the program.

Summer Rehearsals

Summer rehearsal rules are as follows: If your child is in town, they must be at practice. Those rules obviously change when band camp begins. Band camp is required of all members of the band. Summer rehearsals are the following:

June 15 - Hornline 2:00 - 5:00

Percussion 2:00 - 5:00

June 25: Colorguard ONLY (We will learn the opener that day) 9am - 1pm

July 10: Percussion ONLY

Battery: 9-11

Front Ensemble: 11:30 - 1:30

VIDEO Assignments:

Hornline assignments:

Video assignments should be sent to patriotband1@gmail.com. Students should play the assignments from memory on the video. We ask that the video be sent instead of just an audio recording. This will help us ensure that the memorization is happening. If a video is too long to email, send the individual exercises separately.

June 22: Video of warmup A - D

July 12: Movement 1 and Movement 2

Percussion Assignments: TBD

Colorguard Assignments:

June 22: ALL color guard flourish exercise on rifle from Bekah

July 1: People interested in weapons line: Spinning Doubles exercise on the equipment you are interested in.

OTHER FLAG ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE DETERMINED AFTER WE ADJUST SOME THINGS WITH MR CHAD. I WILL SEND THOSE OUT VIA REMIND.

Remind Info

Please use the following codes for the reminds that apply to you and your child. I send out about 50% of info through remind. Please make sure you have these on your phone.

Full Band (everyone - hornline, guard, percussion)

Number: 81010

Message: @ak2fhc

Colorguard (guard should sign up for this one AND full band)

Number: 81010

Message: @f6he33

Percussion (percussion should sign up for this one AND full band)

Number: 81010

Message: @2018fallpe

Band Website:

We try to keep our website as up to date as possible. Please check there for info as much as possible. The website should be updated by for the 2018-19 year by May 31, 2018.

<http://www.lewisburgpatriotbands.com>

I try to put extra copies of things that I hand out in the magazine rack on the wall just inside the bandhall. Please also check there for info that you or your child need.

Charms

We are working to get charms set back up for everyone. I will send out the log in information as soon as that is complete. Thank you for your patience.

New Band Director:

As most of you know, we have hired a 4th band director for our staff. We are so grateful for the opportunity to add someone to our staff Mr. Paul Morgan comes to us with 5 years of teaching experience from Stone High School in Wiggins, MS. He received his Bachelor and Master of Music Education Degree from the University of Mississippi. We are very excited to have his expertise of percussion as well as band on our staff. As soon as I have a day that he will be moving into town, I will set up a meet and greet for people to drop by and introduce themselves. I hope that you will join me in giving him a warm welcome into the Patriot Band family.

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