



Parsippany High School Band Boosters

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Dear Marching Band Members and Parents:

It hardly seems possible that it will soon be time for Band Camp, but August 24th - 28th will be here before you know it. Below is some **important information** for that week. Please read and follow carefully.

1. **Time:** Band Camp runs from 9:00am to 9:00pm Monday through Thursday. Friday will run from 9:00am until 1:00pm (the students then go home for lunch and some much-deserved relaxation!). They return at 5:15pm for a 6:00pm performance on August 28th for the parents, caregivers, and families. Please do your best to attend!
2. **Lunch:** Students must provide their own lunch. They are given an hour and a half, from 12:00pm to 1:30pm. This allows ample time to go home to eat or to go to a local eating establishment, if they choose. Many students elect to just “brown bag” a lunch from home.
3. **Marching Band Fee:** The fee for all Marching Band participants is \$140. This fee helps to cover part of the cost of food for Band Camp, meals before competitions & away football games, home football game refreshments, one band t-shirt per band member and other related Marching Band expenses.

Families now register their students online! Click [HERE](#) to fill out the **Marching Band Online Order Form**. This is *in addition* to the Marching Band Registration Form (Step 2 on PHSMB Registration Page). A confirmation email and invoice will be generated to confirm your selections and then payment can be mailed to:

PHS Band Boosters, ATTN: Marching Band Registration, PO Box 255, Lake Hiawatha, NJ 07034
(Please make all checks payable to **PHS Band Boosters**)

The projected due date for the Marching Band fee is August 1st. (Due to the current uncertainty, this date is not set in stone right now, but please be prepared for an announcement about when the season will start. There will be at least a two week notice of the due date for any fees). **A late fee of \$25.00 will be applied for payments submitted after the announced due date. A student's registration is only considered to be complete once they register both with Mr. Dalakian AND the Band Boosters, AND your payment has been received.**

Contact Band Booster President Ken Swan for questions/help - parhighbandbooster.president@gmail.com

4. **Dinner:** Band Boosters will provide dinner for all Band Camp participants. Food provided will range from Pizza to Ziti to Subs, etc. Vegetarian dinners will also be available. **Please notify us of any food allergies/restrictions your child may have by indicating this information on your [Marching Band Online Order Form](#) if needed.** Dinner will be served from 5:00-6:00pm with iced tea and ice water to drink.
5. **T-Shirts:** Orders for t-shirts will be placed through the **online form**. One “show shirt” (t-shirt) per band member is included in the fee. **Please select the required size when completing the online form. T-shirts are in Adult sizes only.** You may also order extra show shirts for your band member or for any other family members who wish to support our band. Please specify size and quantity when filling out the online form. Additional shirts are \$15.00 each. **Show shirts will only be available for purchase during registration. There will be no additional show shirt orders after registration closes.**

6. **Shoes and Performance Shirts:** All members are required to have a Performance Shirt (long sleeved, black, compression shirt) and shoes as part of the Marching Band Uniform (color guard members will not require a performance shirt but are required to have specific color guard shoes). All first-year members and any returning members who need new shoes will be fitted during the week of Band Camp. Please have proper socks for the fittings. The cost is \$45.00 (for band or color guard shoes) and \$35.00 for the Performance Shirt. **Shoes and Performance Shirts must be paid for in advance. Remember to include them on your [Marching Band Online Order Form](#) or your child will not receive these items.**
7. **Uniforms:** New members will receive their Marching Band uniforms during Band Camp. To help with the fitting process, it is important **that you measure your child's chest, waist, and inseam and note them on your [Marching Band Online Order Form](#).**
8. **Varsity Band Jackets:** Varsity jackets are completely optional. Students who wish to order a varsity jacket may do so through the PHS School Store. Information will be provided to all Varsity Athletes at the start of the school year.
9. **Health Paperwork:** The health and athletic permission paperwork must be completed **by August 1**. Please follow the instructions on the PTHSD Sports Forms webpage: <http://www.pthsd.k12.nj.us/athletics/forms>. **This will be where the most up to date information will be posted.** All incoming 9th Graders will need to take the [ImPACT test](#), as well as any upperclassmen who did not take it last year. **While we await final decisions from the State on the physical packets, please be sure to complete the online forms via Genesis and the ImPACT Test (if applicable).**
***Students WILL NOT participate in Marching Band until they are medically cleared!**
10. **Your Help:** We need the help of ALL the band members' parents to make Band Camp a success **AND to support our Marching Band throughout the season.** During Band Camp, we especially need parents to help coordinate and serve dinner on any of the evenings (Monday - Thursday). If you can help in any way, please contact Michelle Spirock at michellespirock@yahoo.com.
11. **Parent Meetings:** On the first evening of Band Camp, Monday, August 24th, we will have our first **Band Parent Meeting** to kick off the 2020-2021 season! Parental attendance is strongly requested. Please join us in Cafeteria I at 8:00pm to learn more about where your registration fees go, benefits for the students, and **how you can help (we really need the help!).**
12. **Band Boosters Membership:** To become a member and present students with all the benefits the boosters provide, the preferred method would be to confirm membership on your Marching Band Online Order Form. If you miss out on doing that, you may download the Membership Form found on the Band Booster page of www.PHSbands.com and send it to the PO Box address above with \$25; or it can be given directly to Virna Schuck, Membership Chairperson. If you have any questions regarding Band Boosters Membership, please email ParsippanyHS.BandBoosters@gmail.com.

Please check the website www.PHSbands.com often for rehearsal & performance schedules, updates, and enhancements to the program. Follow the band on Twitter [@PHSbands](https://twitter.com/PHSbands) as well!

We look forward to working with you in support of our Marching Band and your children!

Sincerely,

Kenneth R. Swan, Jr.

Ken Swan, PHS Band Booster President