

# *Brecksville - Broadview Heights High School Bands*

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TO: BBHHS Marching Band Members and Parents  
FROM: Jason Wyse, Director  
RE: 2011 BAND CAMP

## **Greetings, and welcome to the 2011-2012 BBHHS Marching Bees!**

We congratulate you on your membership in the 2011-2012 edition of the Marching Bees, and trust that you share our excitement for the upcoming year. It takes so many people to maintain a successful band program, and with the continued support of our Administration, Band Boosters, and Parents, and the exceptional leadership of our talented staff, I am confident that this will be another fantastic year for our students!

According to our current enrollment figures, we will have approximately **300 members** in the band once again. With these impressive numbers comes an equally impressive level of responsibility. As always, we expect the highest standards of **respect, professionalism, and personal accountability**, in regard to students, staff, and facilities. This has been the tradition of the BBHHS Band Program for many years, and I have all confidence in the continuation of this philosophy.

**This letter details important band camp information, policies, and procedures. Please read carefully!**

## **BAND CAMP SCHEDULE:**

We will stay very close to past camp schedules. **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT STUDENTS AND PARENTS DO NOT SCHEDULE CONFLICTING EVENTS DURING THIS TIME** (work, doctor appointments, vacations, concert tours, curling tournaments, babysitting, etc.)

### **PRE-CAMP – August 8-12** (8:00 am – Noon)

- August 8<sup>th</sup> – **Leadership only**
- August 9<sup>th</sup> – **Leadership and Freshmen/New Members**
  - Please note – All incoming freshmen *as well as* any student in grades 10-12 who is new to the Marching Bees must attend on this day!
- August 10, 11 - **ALL MEMBERS**
- August 12 – **Picture Day** (All Band Members) CT – 8:00 am. Students will be released after pictures (approx. 10:00 am)

### **BAND CAMP – August 15-19** (Mandatory for all members)

- August 15-18 (8:00 am – 3:00 pm; 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm)
- Friday, August 19 (8:00 am – 4:00 pm)
- Saturday, August 20 - our first performance at **Cedar Point!** More info on this below...

**PLEASE NOTE:** Students will not be permitted to leave the BBHHS campus during lunch. **Students should plan to bring their own lunch from home.** However, students are required to go home on the dinner break from 3p.m. – 6p.m, to rest and eat dinner! Camp will resume again at **6:00 sharp** for the evening (hopefully cool and dry).

Traditionally, the officers have arranged for optional evening activities (from 9 pm – 10:30 pm) on selected band camp nights. Information regarding these evening activities will be disseminated by the officers during pre-camp and band camp. Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> will be our annual pool party at the Brecksville Recreation Center from 9 – 11 pm. All Band Members are welcome!

**Note:** Compromises and concessions are made to accommodate athletic schedules and try-outs during band camp. Please note that these compromises are made on both ends (the band end and the athletic end.) Please inform Mr. Wyse directly with any athletic conflicts.

### **WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING?**

#### **WATER!**

- Instrument (in good playing condition)
- Instrument Lyre and Flip Folder** - This year, all students will be provided with a lyre and flip folder. All students **must** have their flip folder (filled with music), for every rehearsal, inside and outside. *This is vital for proper music memorization!*
- Sunscreen... protecting yourself from the sun is not optional! Please plan ahead.
- Tennis shoes** and socks. *Absolutely NO sandals or flip-flops for marching rehearsals... Students without proper footwear will be benched until appropriate shoes are acquired.*
- A Pencil
- An open mind and a Positive Attitude
- ENERGY and ENTHUSIASM!

### **WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?**

- Step One: Check the Weather
- Step Two: Dress for the weather ☺
- Bring Rain Gear if needed
- Socks and Tennis Shoes. Again, **sandals, flip-flops, open-toed shoes, etc. are not permitted during marching rehearsals!**
- A smile backed by a positive attitude.
- Sunscreen and Bug Spray.
- Sunglasses and a Hat.

### **GENERAL RULES**

**The BBHHS Band runs on tradition and pride.** We operate on the principle that everyone will do his/her best at all times. Proper social interaction is encouraged and expected. **Please be a contributor to our *class act* reputation!**

In order to have a safe and successful year, we will follow a set of rules and regulations. The following list of rules and regulations combine Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School and Band policies. ***Please refer to the Band Handbook for greater detail.***

- No Alcoholic Beverages
- No Smoking
- No Illegal Substances
- No Fireworks
- No Weapons
- **NO HAZING** of any kind
- No Harassment of any kind
- No Physical Abuse of any kind
- **It must be understood that in addition to the immediate dismissal from camp, any violator(s) would face legal consequences as well as BBHHS consequences including suspension from school and/or legal action.**
- Abusive language will not be tolerated
- Everyone **MUST** be present for all of lunch.

- There is to be no “horseplay” (playing with/wasting food) in the cafeteria during lunch.
- Directors, staff members, and students will all be responsible for cleaning tables and the floor after lunch. Leaders, we will count on you to make sure this is done to satisfaction. We all must work together to take care of our beautiful facilities.
- **BE ON TIME!** To be on time is to arrive 10 minutes before the scheduled rehearsal time or call time for a performance. Remember, to be early is to be on time, to be on time is to be late, and to be late is to be left behind!
- Please make sure you are picked up at the designated time after rehearsals/activities.
- **Be responsible.** Take care of your music, your instrument, your drill charts, and each other. It’s the beauty of being in a band. Drill charts and music will be available for print online with a password. *If Music or Drill charts are misplaced, it will be the responsibility of the student to print out a new copy from the website.*

**These rules and regulations are in everyone’s best interest, and we must work together to see that they are followed!**

### **ATTENDANCE**

By virtue of being a member of the Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School Band, you have placed upon yourself an obligation, not only to yourself, but to the entire organization. Attendance at all rehearsals is **mandatory**. There are few excused absences, and these should be cleared with the directors in advance. *See **Band Handbook for Absence Request Forms***. Parents and students, please understand that in order to plan effectively and continue to give credibility to instrumental music, **all students must be in attendance at all times**. Please plan your schedule accordingly!

### **DRUG & ALCOHOL POLICY**

Every student participating in any extra or co-curricular activity **MUST read, understand, sign, and return** the Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School Drug and Alcohol Policy. Enclosed you will find a copy of this policy. Please return the signed copy when you pick up your uniform. **It must be signed before camp!**

### **PARTICIPATION FEE**

*Note: This is separate from, and in addition to, the \$70 Band Booster Fee that is paid to the Boosters. This fee should be paid at **Uniform Fitting**.* It is paid to the school district, and there is no cap for students involved in multiple activities. **At the time of this mailing, the Participation Fee has yet to be determined by the school district.** Please see the included memo for more detail regarding Participation Fees.

### **MEDICAL FORMS**

Enclosed you will find several Medical Forms. We carry these forms wherever we go throughout the school year. Students must have these forms filled out and signed by a parent or legal guardian. **These forms must be turned in when you pick up your uniform.**

### **PICTURE DAY – Friday, August 13**

Please find the *Picture Form* included in this mailing. This form needs to be brought with your student on August 13<sup>th</sup>. Please do not send this form in early, or bring it to the fitting. These forms are handed directly to the photographer on Picture Day, and do not go through the band office.

### **CEDAR POINT – Saturday, August 21**

This trip, though optional, offers students an exciting opportunity for both performance and recreation, and attendance is highly encouraged. **Call time is 7:30 am**, and we will be returning approximately 10:00 pm. The band will march throughout the park, stopping to perform at two different locations. After the performance, students will have the remainder of the day to enjoy the park’s many attractions. Chaperones will be on duty at the Picnic Pavilion throughout the day in case of an emergency. **The discounted price for the Cedar Point trip will be \$29.00 for**

**performing members.** Payment will be collected on your uniform fitting night (***PLEASE USE A SEPARATE CHECK*** to pay for this event... it is very helpful for our Treasurer if this payment is not lumped into the other fees). Any student with a Season Pass will not need to pay, but will need to bring their pass on the day of the trip. *If you have a season pass, please tell us at uniform fitting!*

### **UNIFORMS**

Please find the Uniform Committee Letter and Fitting Schedule enclosed. Proper care, maintenance, and cleaning of uniforms are essential. Please take time to note the individual cost of each uniform part. This listing is to display the replacement value of the uniform – ***take care of your uniform!***

Also, please note the parts of the uniform that members must supply. These parts will be available for purchase if necessary at the uniform fitting. If you are a new marcher, this purchase is necessary. If you are returning, you already have these additional parts – purchase of new parts is optional. Please take time to thank these wonderful volunteers that donate their time so freely to ensure the quality look and success of our band.

### **WEBSITE** – [www.bbhsband.com](http://www.bbhsband.com)

For music downloads, please use the following:

- User Name – **bbhsband**
- Password – **iloveband** (all lowercase and no spaces)

### **CHECKLIST – The following items must be brought and submitted at the uniform fitting**

- \$70 Band Booster Fee** (if you paid this in June, this does not apply to you!)
- Additional Uniform Parts Charges** (see *salmon* Uniform letter)
- Emergency Medical Authorization Form** (*white*)
- Prescription Medication Authorization Form** (*blue*)
- Non-Prescription Medication Form** (*purple*)
- Over The Counter Stock Medication Form** (*green*)
- Prescribed Asthma Inhaler Form** (*goldenrod*)
- Prescribed Epipen Authorization** (*pink*)
- Tobacco/Alcohol/Drug Policy Form** (*goldenrod*)
- HANDBOOK CONTRACT / Transportation Form** (*white*)
- Participation Fee and Form** (*not included, will be available at fitting night*)
- Patron Drive** (*purple*)
- Spirit Wear Order** (*pink*)
- Band Boosters Volunteer Form** (*white*)
- \$29 Cedar Point Fee** (separate check, please)

Thank you all for your continued involvement in, and support of, the BBHHS Band Program! Let's work together to continue the legacy of artistic excellence in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights City Schools, as we make it our goal to "Look Good, Sound Good, be a Class Act." Go Bees!

Sincerely,

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