

June 15, 2019

Dear Marching Tiger:

Congratulations on being a member of the 2019-20 Belleville Marching Tigers! You are a member of an organization with a great tradition that is filled with pride and accomplishment. Please take time to read through with a parent/guardian as there are some important issues that need to be addressed.

In order to continue the quality that the marching band has obtained, it is absolutely imperative (required) that you are at EVERY commitment. Enclosed is the Belleville Marching Tigers **Required** Commitment Calendar for the 2019-2020 school year. You are receiving this calendar now so that you can clear any potential conflicts that may arise. As a member of this year's marching band, you are expected to attend **ALL** rehearsals and performances – excuses for missing anything will not be tolerated (i.e. “I had drivers ed; work; babysit; appointment; couldn't get a ride”). Please be aware that the calendar does in fact go all the way until **Next June** to avoid summer conflicts with the **Strawberry Festival Parade**. Because of our efforts to avoid the many athletic conflicts for practice space, days of practice are not the same every week. In that case, we ask that you please still be prepared to make arrangements to fulfill these obligations.

If you are selected as a squad leader, you will be notified sometime in the near future. Candidates for squad leader will be examined in great detail according to the individual's skill, commitment, effort, responsibility and witnessed leadership strengths. If you are in color guard or percussion, you may have already received information regarding requirements for your section as well as summer practice schedules. Should you need extra schedules for anything band related, please check the website at bellevillebands.org or contact Mr. Campbell at mcampbell@vanburenschools.net.

Also included in this packet is a detailed supplies list for each instrument. As a member of the BHS Marching Band and member of the Belleville High School Instrumental Program, it is most important that instruments and equipment meet the required standards. If your child started band in 5th grade in this district renting from Marshall Music, their instrument should be acceptable and should be sufficient through 12th grade year if in good care. Mouthpieces, reeds, and accessories however may need to be replaced to meet the standard on the attached sheet. There are also several items SPECIFIC for Marching Band not provided by the school. Please take the time to read through for your instrument and contact us if you have questions. This is not only a necessary requirement, but an important part of being a BHS Band musician. **THE MOST IMPORTANT → GET YOUR INSTRUMENT TO THE REPAIR SHOP!**

****NEW FOR THIS YEAR**** We have asked our Marshall Music representative to be present on Thursday August 15th with the intention to make your life EASIER! He will be here before practice from 8-8:45AM and again from 12-1PM. For your convenience, they will be selling items they have in stock for you to purchase that day. In order for us to get a better understanding of products you would like to see in their inventory for you to purchase, we will send out a Google Form (Survey) asking what your needs and quantities may be so we can assure they will have it that day. You will get that survey through **REMIND 101**, which is how we communicate with the Marching Band when we are not together. See attached pages for instructions how to sign up for **REMIND 101**, and please do it as soon as you read through this information!

It is our sincerest hope that the students of this outstanding ensemble and band program will devote themselves and commit to strive for the greatness that we are all capable. It truly is a team effort! As always, come to camp with the big picture ideals base on “the MANY, and not the ONE,” and this year's Marching Tigers will surely be a fantastic ensemble. We look forward to seeing you in August!

Sincerely,
Mr. Taylor
Director of Bands

Mr. Campbell
Associate Director of Bands

Mandatory Supplies for Marching Band Instruments

For your convenience, a Marshall Music representative will be present before and after our rehearsal on Thursday, August 15th to purchase the following items. A google survey will be sent to you via **REMIND 101**, and we ask you fill out quantities so that the representative will have what you need on that day. This is NOT an order form but simply something we will forward to them so that they have the items you need in stock. You may certainly purchase the following items on your own through Marshall Music, Amazon, etc.

WOODWIND INSTRUMENTS- **Do not buy Rico, Rico Royal or Lavoze Reeds*

Flute Supplies

Flip Folder/Lyre - \$12.75 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)

Clarinet Supplies

Clarinet Lyre (Multiple's recommended) - \$9.21 each (tax included)
Clarinet Flip Folder - \$9.00 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)
Vandoren Clarinet 10-pack reeds (Box) - \$29.19 each (tax included)
Vandoren Clarinet 3-pack reeds - \$10.49 (tax included)
Cork Grease - \$2.50 each (tax included)
Clarinet Swab - \$4.24 each (tax included)
Runyon Clarinet Mouthpiece Patch - \$6.25 each (tax included)
Vandoren B45 Clarinet Mouthpiece - \$120.83 each (tax included)

Alto Sax Supplies

Alto Sax Lyre - \$6.06 each (tax included)
Alto Sax Flip Folder - \$9.00 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)
Vandoren Alto Sax 10-pack reeds (Box) - \$36.39 each (tax included)
Vandoren Clarinet 3-pack reeds - \$13.29 (tax included)
Cork Grease - \$2.50 each (tax included)
Alto Sax Swab - \$7.42 each (tax included)
Runyon Alto Sax Mouthpiece Patch - \$6.25 each (tax included)
Selmer S80 C* Alto Sax Mouthpiece - \$197.15 each (tax included)

Trumpet Supplies

Clamp on Lyre/Flip Folder - \$14.35 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)
Schilke Tuning Slide Grease - \$8.55 each (tax included)
Valve Oil - \$3.00 each (tax included)
Bach 3C Trumpet Mouthpiece - \$56.00 each (tax included)

Mellophone/French Horn Supplies

Clamp on Lyre/Flip Folder - \$14.35 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)
Schilke Tuning Slide Grease - \$8.55 each (tax included)
Valve Oil - \$3.00 each (tax included)
Bach 3C Trumpet Mouthpiece - \$56.00 each (tax included)

Trombone Supplies

Clamp on Lyre/Flip Folder - \$14.35 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)
Schilke Tuning Slide Grease - \$8.55 each (tax included)
Superslick Slide Cream - \$3.95 each (tax included)
Bach 5G Trombone Mouthpiece - \$71.00 each (tax included)

Baritone Supplies

Clamp on Lyre/Flip Folder - \$14.35 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)
Schilke Tuning Slide Grease - \$8.55 each (tax included)
Valve Oil - \$3.00 each (tax included)
Schilke 51D Baritone Mouthpiece - \$75.75 each (tax included)

Tuba Supplies

Tuba Flip Folder - \$9.00 each (tax included)
Flip Folder Extra Pages - \$.75 each (tax included)
Schilke Tuning Slide Grease - \$8.55 each (tax included)
Valve Oil - \$3.00 each (tax included)
Conn Helleberg Tuba Mouthpiece - \$101.76 each (tax included)

STORE CONTACTS:

****The above prices for supplies and instruments are from Marshall Music Company. The phone number for Marshall Music in Allen Park is 313-383-5560. Much of our business is done through Marshall Music and they are a very competent store. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Taylor or Mr. Campbell at the high school or via email (see high school website).

MUSIC MEMORIZATION

As a member of the BHS Marching Tigers, two pieces of music that you will always play is the **BHS Fanfare** and **BHS Fight Song**. These two pieces are the spirit of our ensemble, and the pride of our school. Please prepare these pieces with the utmost importance in mind!

Our Website has it all!

For your convenience, all of what you need is on our BHS Band Website (bellevillebands.org) with the music, and sound files of how your part is supposed to sound. Steps to get there:

1. Go to bellevillebands.org
2. Click on the BHS Bands at the top of the page
3. Scroll down to the "Fanfare & Fightsong" box, then click
4. From there choose your instrument (PDF file) that you can print off.
5. Choose your instruments sound file (mp3 file) that you will play through your computer or phone.
6. In both the "Fanfare" and "Fight Song" you can choose the entire piece with all instruments so you may hear how your part fits.

What part do you play?

***Note: A new version of the Fanfare will be updated and available by the beginning of July.**

Below is the breakdown of who is playing what. Please follow these guidelines so we have balanced instrumentation of all parts.

NO EXCEPTIONS (May be different than last year so look closely to see what part you play)!

Flutes:

Fanfare and Fight Song: Same part – All play same

Clarinets:

Fanfare and Fight Song: Same part – All play same (Play lower notes on Fight Song if you can't play top ones!)

Alto Sax: 2 Parts for both FF/FS.

1st Part (16) – BHS Symphony Band Saxes, J. Albert, D. Doty, D. Hui, J. Jackson-Henley, C. Majewski, Z. Moore, A. Moya, C. Reeves

2nd Part (22) – All Freshmen, Everyone Else

French Horns/Mellophone:

Fanfare and Fight Song: When divided, Symphony Band will play the top part.

Trumpets: 3 Parts for both FF/FS

1st Part (10) - BHS Symphony Band Trumpets, A. Cunningham, J. Schrecengost

2nd Part (13) – J. Austin, A. Augustine, W. Cornell, J. Dooley, A. Edenstrom, J. Foster, H. Houck, D. Prezato, S. Rimando, L. Schlund, H. Thomas, M.

Virzi, B. Webber

3rd Part (15) – All Freshmen, Everyone Else

Trombones: 2 Parts for FF/FS

Fanfare/Fight Song

1st Part (6) – BHS Symphony Band Trombones, T. Blair, M. Corley

2nd Part (8) – All Freshmen, Everyone Else

Baritone T.C./B.C.

Fanfare and Fight Song: Same part – all play same

Tuba

Fanfare and Fight Song: Same part – all play same

Percussion

Fanfare and Fight Song: You will receive the Fight Song at summer rehearsals. The Fanfare is online and available to download.

Color Guard

Fanfare and Fight Song: You will learn your routines at summer rehearsals.

I don't have an instrument!

We realize that some of you do not have school instruments yet for marching band. (Horns, Tubas, Baritones) We are in the process of collection/maintenance/repared. We will notify you by early July when those instruments return, and have a couple scheduled dates for pick up. You can (and we advise you to!) practice without the instrument, memorizing the fingering patters and the sound of your part. It will only help when you get the instrument.

DO IT TODAY!

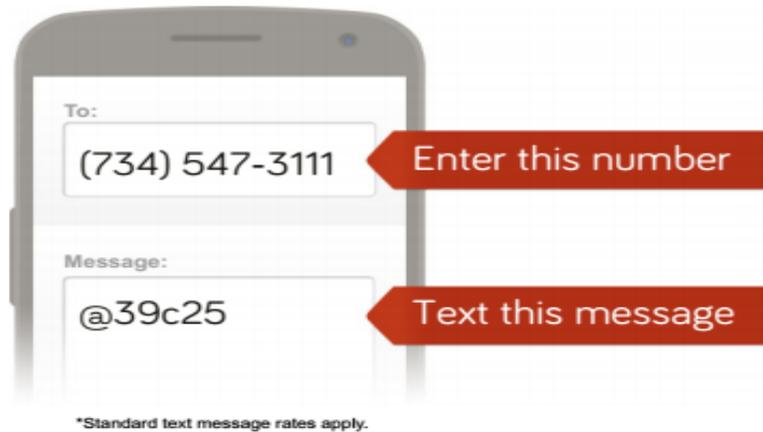
ALL MARCHING BAND MEMBERS AND PARENTS

IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY SIGNED UP, YOU MUST SIGN UP NOW FOR REMIND 101. We will use this to communicate with you about anything regarding marching band related. Please try to do this ASAP!

How to sign up for Mr. Taylor's Marching Band messages:



To receive messages via text, text @39c25 to (734) 547-3111. You can opt-out of messages at anytime by replying, 'unsubscribe @39c25'.



Or to receive messages via email, send an email to 39c25@mail.remind.com. To unsubscribe, reply with 'unsubscribe' in the subject line.



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