

NNHS MARCHING BAND E-NEWSLETTER

July 18, 2010

Newsletter for the NNHS Marching Huskies and their Families

Hope you are all enjoying summer! If you're getting this newsletter for the first time, welcome. The newsletter's intent is to provide you with information about marching band activities and news. Past newsletters are posted online at <http://www.nnhsmusic.org/MarchingNews.html>.

UPDATED! July 20 (Tuesday, 9 am - 12 noon) is the second Rookie Clinic!

As described on pages 10-11 of your Marching Band handbook, Tuesday's clinic is one of two sessions for new members of the marching band (all rookie musicians and color guard are expected to attend at least one of the two rookie clinic sessions; actors are welcome but their attendance is not required). A few things to note:

- instruments are not needed
- **you MUST bring a 1/2-gallon insulated jug of water, a hat, sunscreen, sneakers and socks**
- sunglasses are recommended
- please eat a hearty breakfast and drink plenty of water before you come; marching is a physical activity. You have nearly 2 full days to hydrate before the rookie clinic!

If you are not available for this rookie clinic date and missed the last one, contact your section leader (listed in the front of the handbook) to arrange for marching tutoring. Please note dress code described in the Behavior section of the handbook (page 8). See you in the band room!

PLEASE NOTE: It is very important that you bring the items described above to this rookie clinic and all band camp practices. When the band practices on the athletic field, the temperature is at least 10-15 degrees warmer because of the reflected heat. Being prepared with iced water (in a large insulated jug), a hat, and sunscreen will help you get the most out of practices. It is also not too early to begin hydrating in preparation for band camp - drinking several glasses of water throughout the day until band camp will help prepare your body, so you won't feel as if you need to run to the bathroom every few minutes.

UPDATED! Summer Music/Guard Rehearsal, July 20, 6 - 9 pm

The second summer music rehearsal (in the band room) is also Tuesday. These rehearsals prior to Band Camp are not required for musicians and color guard, but please make every effort to attend as getting a head start on the music and guard skills will make Band Camp smoother for all involved. See handbook (page 11) for details. At the last rookie clinic the band played the first movement of the show, and heard Mr. Moore describe what the actors will be doing. Pep band music for the season was introduced, too.

UPDATED! Actors and Music Rehearsal, July 20, 7:30 pm

Actors are welcome to attend and listen to the July 20 music rehearsal. Plan to arrive around 7:30 pm Tuesday evening. Mr Van Kley will take over with Pep Band music around 8 pm, and Mr. Moore will meet with whomever is in attendance, to sort by physical type, and placing students in specific roles. If you're unavailable for this session, please let Mr. Moore know (dmoore@naperville203.org), and he'll try to set up an alternate time. FYI, Mr. Janssen, the new Choir Director, will be the actors' section coach at camp.

NEW! Thank you for turning in your forms and trip deposit

If you haven't heard from us, it means we've received your commitment/health/measurement forms and trip deposit - thanks very much!

Note for those NOT going on the Disney trip in January - the \$200 trip deposit included the deposit for the BOA bus trip to Indianapolis (\$30), and we will need to make a deposit to the bus company for that trip also. We'll be sending a note to you about this BOA trip deposit; apologies for not having this information before your sent in all your forms. You can send the \$30 deposit (only for those NOT going on the Disney trip) to Vicki Paavilainen at 986 Huntleigh Drive, Naperville, IL, 60540. Contact [Anne, Teri](#) or [Vicki](#) if you have any questions.

NEW! Disney Trip Gift Card Fundraiser News

Each year, we set aside three months of gift card sales for students to raise money for the Marching Band trip. Students sell gift cards to family, friends, co-workers and neighbors, and receive credit toward the Disney trip. Buyers receive the full face value of the gift card. It's a win-win fundraiser! The credit students earn depends on the profit associated with each gift card; percentages generally range from 3-10% of the card's face value. Any excess credit earned (over the cost of the trip) is returned to the FOM general fund. Fundraiser details are included with the order forms that will be distributed by email in August.

If you want to participate but haven't yet signed up, please send the following information to the Gift Card Fundraiser Committee at nnhsgiftcards@gmail.com:

- Student name
- Student grade
- Parent name(s)
- Parent phone number
- Parent email

The gift card fundraiser will be held in September, October and November. If you have any questions, contact Jeannette Przybysz and Deanna Levin, committee co-chairs, at the above email address.

NEW! News from the Uniform Chair, Toni Robinson

New Uniforms have arrived and all students will be fitted during the August Band camp.

Band Camp Dates are August 3-5, and August 9-13.

Band camp attendance (both weeks) is mandatory for all musicians and color guard. Except for **main actors**, who **must attend Week Two of Band Camp**, attendance for actors at Week One and Two of Band Camp is optional, although actors are welcome and encouraged to attend and meet other band members. Details can be found in the handbook, pages 11-13, and on the separate fee/rehearsal schedule sheet sent to all potential actors.

NEW! Save the Date!! - Marching Band Preview Night is Friday, August 13, 630 pm

Friday, August 13 is Marching Band Preview Night, so please save the date. The students perform the show (both moving and stand-still) in the stadium for family members; actors who have participated in band camp will also take part in this demonstration. You'll be impressed by how much your student has learned in only a few days of band camp, and you'll get to meet other marching band families, too. We ask that each family bring a dessert to share; water will be provided, but you can also bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverages to sip while you watch the band.

NEW! Want to help chaperone at Band Camp?

Band camp is only a few short weeks away - if you are interested in chaperoning for a few hours during band camp, please contact the Chaperone Chairs, [Neil Samuels or Kim Celander](#).

NNHS Marching Band Car Wash – August 14, 2010

Plans are being finalized for the NNHS Marching Band Car Wash to be held on Saturday, August 14, 2010, (Rain Date Saturday, August 21, 2010). This event helps raise money for the upcoming marching band season and all marching band members who are in town are expected to attend. Marching band members are assigned to work either a morning or afternoon shift at one of three locations. Details on car wash sites, shift assignments and contingency plans in case of bad weather will be sent out in late July. Chairman Dean Degenhardt (ddegenhardt@enengineering) is looking for additional volunteer parents to help supervise a morning/afternoon shift, help set up/clean-up a car wash site, wash/fold drying towels or donate morning donuts/afternoon popsicles/drinking water for our hard working marching band members! So plan on doing a little bit of work/having a lot of fun/raising money for a great marching band season and last but not least, celebrating the end of band camp!

Fee Adjustments for Actors/Color Guard

Stay tuned for updated fee sheets for Color Guard and Actors. The price for the black shoe listed on the fee sheet for Color Guard is incorrect. We will notify Color Guard of the correct cost for this shoe before the August 9 fee-payment date. Actor meal fees will be pro-rated since their attendance on camp days is not required (except for the main actors); we will contact actors before band camp to let you know how much of the band camp meal fee you will be paying.

Please Consider Volunteering with the Marching Band

*The marching band always needs volunteers, and there are many areas in which we can use your help. Contact Anne or Teri, or the chair of the committee(s) you would like to volunteer with. If you think you would like to be a chaperone for any of the competition trips, you **must** be fingerprinted to ride the bus. Please contact Anne Stickley Michel to have your name submitted (send your full name, address and phone number) and you will be contacted to schedule your fingerprinting.*

As always, please let us know if you have any questions.

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