

Rookie Parent Meeting 2010

General Information

- ♪ Freshman Orientation – usually during August band camp- your child may go & stay for the entire meeting & tour
- ♪ USSBA, BOA, TOB – different band organizations
- ♪ Directors :)
- ♪ Make Directors aware of any health problems – asthma (inhalers), bee stings (epipens) – give student copy of health insurance card!

Communications

- ♪ E-mail addresses – primary source of communication, check frequently- please advise of changes! - If not on already, get on e-mail list for director & Booster updates
- ♪ Booster Meetings- Summer-3rd Thursday through Fall season then-3rd Tuesday-try to attend, it's where you get information – continues throughout the school year!
- ♪ Website, newsletter- www.owlband.org – check at least weekly
- ♪ Calendar & Fee sheets – if difficulty making scheduled payments must submit payment schedule in writing to directors.

Uniforms

- ♪ Band Jackets – get slightly large: 1) wear warm clothes under; 2) last through 4 years of growth (Parents can order jacket –Spirit wear (Wendy Hofmann))
- ♪ Need black socks & gloves, will come with uniform; extras cost \$5.00 each
- ♪ Band shoes – fitters will be available when they are fitted for uniform (buy slightly large, but not too large)
- ♪ Wash uniforms and return promptly after wearing
- ♪ Band Jackets – remove blue strip before washing
- ♪ Long underwear/Under Armour for cold weather –guard usually has unitard

Mini Camp & August Band Camp

- ♪ 6/23--6/25; 7/14--7/16; 8/9-8/13, 8/16 – 8/20
- ♪ 9:00am – 9:00pm means be there at 8:45am (earlier if pit); ending announcements are at 9:00pm, then clean-up
- ♪ Sunscreen, before & during
- ♪ Water-large thermos, emphasize drinking lots – half/half with Gatorade
- ♪ NO jeans, comfy, loose fitting clothes, extra pair of dry socks, comfy shoes
- ♪ Some bring baby powder (especially color guard)
- ♪ Hat is a must
- ♪ Lunch – usually 12:00 , nothing heavy
- ♪ Dinner – 3:00-5:00, rest indoors, eat high-carb light dinner, reapply sunscreen, fill water
- ♪ Early to bed!

Kill Drill

- ♪ Last Thursday of August Band Camp, August 19th
- ♪ In stadium
- ♪ Kids start at 6:00 pm, come later, ends around 11:00 pm
- ♪ Sections dress up (just cannot interfere with marching)
- ♪ Rite of passage

Parent Preview

- ♪ Friday 8/20 – our first time to see the show – invite neighbors & relatives! -Free
- ♪ Need: black bike shorts, t-shirt (may be black or white – we'll find out soon), shoes, gloves and socks
- ♪ Picnic after show – may be called on for donations

After School Practices

- ♪ Full Band Rehearsals –Thursdays – 6-9 pm
- ♪ WW & Brass – Tuesdays 2:45-5:45 pm
- ♪ Percussion & CG – Tuesdays-6-9 pm
- ♪ NO jeans
- ♪ Make sure have water or money to buy water

Football Games

- ♪ Friday 9/3 (F) first game – 9/16 (T); 9/24 (F); 10/8 (F) (Homecoming); 10/22 (F)
- ♪ Practice up until game, have dinner break, then to game
- ♪ Dinner 6:00ish – many parents deliver fast food dinner – no time to go home

Home Show

- ♪ Saturday, 9/25
- ♪ Practice all morning/afternoon
- ♪ Long break from 5:00 until around 8:00 pm
- ♪ Send money to buy dinner at concession stand
- ♪ WHS usually performs last (9:30 pm)

Away Shows

- ♪ Saturday 10/2-USSBA-Marine Corps Invitational @ US Naval Academy
- ♪ Saturday 10/16 – USSBA MD & DE State Championships - Towson
- ♪ Saturday 10/23 – BOA Mid-Atlantic Regional - Towson
- ♪ Saturday 10/30- BOA Super Regional – Atlanta, GA
- ♪ Practice all day, brief dinner break (deliver or bring to practice)
- ♪ Bring all equipment to practice, money for concessions, patches, etc
- ♪ Bus to show, chaperones, late arrival at school
- ♪ Parent buses- ??
- ♪ More info. at Booster Meetings

Parades

- ♪ 5/31 -Memorial Day 10 am; 09/23 Fall Fest Parade – pm; 10/5 Homecoming – 7 pm,
- ♪ Usually meet at WMS for parade start
- ♪ Full uniform

Volunteers/Fund Raising

- ♪ Committee Coordinators – shadow chairs for next year
- ♪ Band Parent Liaisons
- ♪ Food donations, bakers
- ♪ Tight budget year – need new & exciting fund raising ideas
- ♪ GoodSearch, Good Shop, Amazon – on website
- ♪ Scrip Program – NEW!