



April 10, 2019

Dear Parents,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2019 Northridge Marching Band! Please read the contents of this packet and carefully make note of all dates and information.

Take time to check out the general "One Sheet" calendar that is provided in this packet as well as the constantly updated version on the Northridge Bands' very own website:

www.northridgebands.org

The complete version of the calendar with ALL rehearsals and events, including color guard and percussion rehearsals can be found on the band website. The majority of information that is shared pertaining to marching band will be shared through this website, along with Facebook (Northridge Bands), Instagram (northridgebands), Twitter (@northridgebands), and Remind (sign-up information included in this packet).

Required Forms: We will be submitting forms electronically using Final Forms (the same system the athletic department uses. More information will be available in the coming weeks. There will be some forms that are unique to participation in marching band. These forms must be on file before a student will be permitted to practice at pre-camp.

Physicals: A current OHSAA Pre-participation Physical Evaluation is required of all marching band members. A current physical is one that is dated within the last calendar year. Students who have already completed physicals for other sports will not have to get another physical for marching band. You may get a physical exam at your family practitioner, but you **MUST** use the provided OHSAA physical form

Summer Uniforms: All new marching band members will need to purchase the parts for the summer uniform. Any returning student who has outgrown, damaged, or lost summer uniform parts will also need to purchase replacement items needed. We will be wearing the summer uniform at our first performance of the 2018 season on May 28th at the Memorial Day Ceremonies. **All summer uniform items will need to be purchased in time to wear for this performance.**



- Uniform Fittings:** Students will be fit for winter uniforms during pre-camp.
- Pre-Camp:** Pre-Camp rehearsals will be **July 2 (New members and leadership team only), July 3, and 5 from 9:00a-12:00p & 1:00p-4:00p**. These rehearsals will give students a head start on music for the season, a review of marching fundamentals, and help prepare all students for a successful week of band camp. Student should bring lunch on these days.
- Band Camp:** **Attendance at Band Camp Rehearsals is Critical.** Rehearsals take place on July 7-12. Please see the detailed daily schedule and camp information about camp that is included in this packet. Breakfast and dinner at camp will be provided. Students will need to bring their own lunch with them each day. **Student drivers will not be permitted to leave campus for lunch.**
- Pictures:** Individual and group pictures will be taken on **Tuesday, July 23rd at 9:00a**. This is during a scheduled practice after band camp. Please try your best to make arrangements to be present for the picture.
- Band Fees:** Fees are required to pay for various costs associated with running a competitive marching band. Your student band fee covers the cost of props, additional instruction during camp, supplies (recurring and permanent), and many other costs associated with the marching season. The fee agreement form is due by **Monday, April 22nd WITH a \$50.00 deposit**. Checks can be made payable to Northridge Music Boosters.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions and/or concerns you may have. I'm looking forward to another successful and rewarding season with the Northridge Marching Band!

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Cassandra McCall'.

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