

## MBG Director Newsletter - July 23rd

Hello MBG!

### **This Week - Wednesday, July 25th:**

Parents - we are in need of some volunteers to come and help sort out and organize the uniform closet this Wednesday during rehearsal. If you are able to assist please report to the Choir Room at 6:00. Thank you!

Winds - 6:00 to 8:00  
Color Guard - 6:00 to 8:00  
Drum Line - 6:00 to 9:00  
Pit - Not Scheduled

### **We're Getting a Bus!**

The school district is providing us with a dedicated school bus that we can use to help transport our equipment when we're on the road. We will be overhauling the bus so that it fits our needs and this project is being head up by senior, Bradley Tallo, who is leading this effort as his Eagle Scout project (pending approval). Thank you, Bradley! Bradley will be assisted by Mr. Tallo and his scout troop, but we could use your help (students and parents alike). If you are interested in assisting, please email [Mr. Tallo](#) to get more information. If you have general questions about this endeavor, please reach out to Mr. Schwartzer.

### **Paperwork**

In order to complete the registration process, a signed Member Contract must be turned in along with the online registration. This contract is overdue. Students should bring to rehearsal this week.

Parent Volunteer Forms should also be submitted, as they are past due as well. There are many positions that still need to be filled, especially for our Home Show on October 20th. Please indicate where you are able to assist. These forms can be scanned and emailed to me, dropped off with a student, or put in my mailbox at the CHS Main Office. Alumni students and parents - you are more than welcome to complete the same form if you know you're around and would like to help. You're always welcome!

### **Communication**

**General Communication** - This Director Newsletter will be emailed weekly throughout the season, and occasionally throughout the summer months. In addition to being emailed, it will be posted in pdf form on the band website, and links will be posted on Facebook and Twitter. This newsletter will be the primary method for distributing information throughout the season, please make sure you are receiving it through email, the website, or our social presence.

**Email** - Please do not "reply" to this email. All correspondence should be sent in a separate email addressed to [davidschwartz@hvrds.org](mailto:davidschwartz@hvrds.org).

**Remind Text Alerts** - We encourage all parents and students to sign up for the Remind Text Alerts. These text messages are sent to remind MBG families about important information or events or to make special announcements. Please follow the instructions for signing up linked from the band website, here.

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**Social Media** - Please consider following us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or checking the band Website. Parents and students are encouraged to post and engage online in a positive and constructive way by sharing in our success, posting pictures, well wishes, etc. Sorry, no follow backs!

### **Summer Rehearsals**

Summer rehearsals are required of all members, just like our fall rehearsals. If you have a pre-planned vacation that cannot be avoided, these conflicts should have been emailed to Mr. Schwartzter by Friday, June 15th. If we didn't hear from you, we are expecting to see you at rehearsal.

In the event of having to miss at the last minute due to an emergency, please email Mr. Schwartzter AND your Instructor (Scott Daley - Drum Line, Mark Eichenberger - Pit, or Samantha Maloney - Color Guard) before your absence.

Missing a summer rehearsal to hang out with friends, go to the pool, not having a ride, working your summer job, etc. are not acceptable reasons to miss a rehearsal. We do not want to show up to a rehearsal expecting a certain number of people only to be surprised that there are people missing who did not document their absence. Please be respectful of this system.

### **Membership**

Unfortunately, every year I will inevitably get an email over the summer from a parent/student who is informing me they are quitting. This saddens me because 1) they will be missing out on a great experience, 2) a commitment has already been made, and 3) significant adjustments to planning need to be made as a result of a student committing and then quitting.

If for some reason you knew you were not going to participate - correspondence should have been sent to Mr. Schwartzter before school let out (Friday, June 22nd). as making membership adjustments over the summer is a difficult and trying process.

### **Coming Up**

Please keep up to date with the schedule on the website for upcoming rehearsals.

Thank you,

David Schwartzter