

MBG Director Newsletter

September 10th

Hi everyone! Thus begins our weekly director newsletter - please read below thoroughly as it will contain information pertaining to this week and beyond. Thanks!

Rehearsals this Week - We will have a normal rehearsal schedule this week (Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00 - 6:00). We will also have rehearsal on Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. A friendly reminder that students should be picked up in a timely fashion (6:15).

Volunteers - In the coming days, you will receive a link for our Sign Up Genius Volunteer Site. This website lists the parent volunteer opportunities throughout the season. When we travel we need assistance distributing and collecting uniforms, loading (and then moving and loading) equipment, chaperoning the students, and more!

This link will be permanently available on the top of the Marching Black and Gold page at www.hopewellvalleybands.org and will be a pinned post on our Twitter and Facebook page (@HVBands). It will also always be linked at the bottom of this newsletter.

Friday, September 13th - Home Football vs. Lawrence This Friday we will debut what we have prepared of our field production at the home football game! We will wear our full uniform (musicians should always wear their show shirt under the uniform). Students should bring money to the game if they'd like to purchase a snack during the 3rd quarter. Please consult the MBG Handbook for detailed information about our football game procedures.

5:00	Report, Change into Uniform, Equipment Load by PODS
5:30	Music Rehearsal in Band Room, Pit Equipment Transfer to Ackerson Field
6:15	MBG Departs to Stadium
6:25	In Stadium to Watch Visiting Band
7:00	National Anthem, Game Begins
8:30	Approximate Half-Time Performance
10:00	Approximate End of Game, Return to TL, Dismissed

Saturday, September 14th - Rehearsal, 10:00 am to 2:00 PM Another friendly reminder that rehearsal begins at 10:00 am. Students should arrive to rehearsal with enough time to get their equipment and be prepared. Once students are dropped off, they should make their way to the rehearsal location and be ready to go so we may start on time.

Saturday, September 14th - MBG BBQ We are hosting our first annual MBG BBQ this Saturday and it should be a great time! Please arrive to AFT #4 behind Timberlane and come to the front sideline to join us for a run through of our program and then we will all move to the picnic tables outside the Timberlane band room for some fun and relaxation together! This will be a great way to kick back, meet some MBG families and have a great time together. We are also inviting Timberlane band students and their families, so if you know anyone - encourage them to attend! Info can be found on the [flyer distributed](#) a few weeks ago.

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Looking Ahead

Friday, September 20

Saturday, September 21st

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Hopewell Harvest Fair and Competition at Hunterdon Central

Performance time at Harvest Fair - 10:00 AM

Performance time at Hunterdon Central - 5:30 PM

Award Ceremony at 9:30 PM, Return Approximately 11:00 PM

A full schedule for the day will be forthcoming

Friday, September 27th

Saturday, September 28th

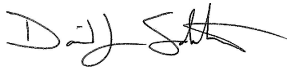
Homecoming Football

Rehearsal and Competition at South Brunswick

Communication

- **Director Newsletter** Published weekly and emailed, distributed to students, posted on website and social media outlets (if you are not getting weekly emails, please contact Mr. Schwartzer)
- **SignUp Genius** Website to facilitate volunteer sign ups throughout the season. Available on MBG page of www.hopewellvalleybands.org as a pinned post on HVBands Facebook and Twitter Page and [HERE](#)
- **Website** www.hopewellvalleybands.org acts as a resource to find forms and information
- **Remind** Text messaging service for important updates and changes - [Sign Up Here](#)
- **Social Media** Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) for photos, updates, and more!
- **Email** I can be reached at davidschwartz@hvrsd.org

Thank you!



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