

Boyertown Middle School East-West Summer/Fall Marching Band 2021

Parent and Students,

The Middle School Band Program is once again excited to offer Marching Band to all students involved in band at East & West. Students are strongly encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to continue their musical development during the summer and fall months.

Take special note of the 2 day “mini camp” that will provide the time necessary to begin preparations for the fall marching band season in which we will participate in the Bally and Boyertown Halloween parades, as well as the Cavalcade. Music for the fall performances will be distributed and rehearsed so that students are able to present high quality performances in September and October. All incoming 7th and 8th grade band students are encouraged to attend this portion! In past years, the strong majority of band students march as it is an expectation of the program.

In addition to all of the excellent music being made this summer, students will have the opportunity to meet their classmates from both schools for the fall! What a great way to have a group of friends before school even begins!

The following is the schedule for the start of Marching Band.

Monday, August 16th: 9am-12:30 @ Middle School West Band Room

Tuesday, August 17th: 9am -12:30 @ Middle School West Band Room

After this, plan to rehearse after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3-4:30. This continues through September and part of October. The first few rehearsals will be:

Thursday, August 26th: 3-4:30 PM

Tuesday, August 31st: 3-4:30

Thursday, September 2nd: 3-4:30

The location will be TBD. Sometimes we rehearse as an individual school, but most of the time both East and West team up. Bussing between schools for rehearsals is provided.

Additional Information:

Materials: Music will be provided for all sessions. 7th and 8th grade students should also obtain a lyre that fits their instrument for the marching portion of the fall season. Percussion and larger instruments such as baritone and sousaphone will have lyres provided.

Potential Conflicts/Sports: There is flexibility with the summer and fall marching rehearsals. If you have a question about rehearsal times, please contact Mr. Jordan or Mr. Agatone. Many band members are also athletes and split the time easily.

Activity Fee: Students in Marching Band are subject to the \$100 activity fee. This is one time fee in which you can participate in as many activities you wish (show choir, baseball, soccer, jazz ensemble, etc.) and only pay it once.

What if I am unable to make all of the rehearsals? Even if you are unable to make all of the rehearsals, we strongly encourage you to come. Let your director know if you have a conflict.

Any questions? Please feel free to contact Mr. Jordan or Mr. Agatone using the information below. We hope to see all of you for Marching Band 2021!

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