

Good afternoon!

We had a great first day of practice today! If you weren't here, you're missing out!!

Water jugs and sunscreen are a MUST in this Mississippi heat! Make sure your student is hydrating at home, getting a good night's sleep, and eating breakfast before they come to practice. All students will need to have their instrument, sticks, mallets, or flag for all future rehearsals.

PHYSICALS:

All HHS Marching Band students MUST have a physical on file with the band directors by July 20th! For your convenience, the form can be found on the website.

FORMS:

We will be using Dragonfly this year to complete all medical forms for the school district. In order to participate in Marching Band, all students must fill out these forms online by band camp! Please follow this link to complete the required forms: <http://dragonflymax.com/forms/HTAYYR>

PRACTICES:

We will be having some optional practices during June and July before band camp! This is a great opportunity for your student to get out, get social (from a 6-ft. distance), get active, and safely get acclimated to exercising in our Mississippi summer heat! We will also be working on marching fundamentals and this year's body routine, so your student will have a great head start on band camp! Please watch the video (and see attachment) for more details: <https://youtu.be/r9EH2GRzUcA>

GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

We will continue to post assignments in Google Classroom for our students. These assignments will help students stay up-to-date on show music, show choreography, and marching techniques. Codes for Google Classroom can be found at www.hernandobands.com.

INVENTORY:

If you have a school-owned instrument at home, please email Mr. Harris (tylerr.harris@dcsms.org) the serial number and DCS tag number. If you don't see those, email Mr. Harris and he will help you find them!

BAND CAMPS:

Our traditional Section Leader Camp, Percussion Camp, Colorguard Camp, and Full Band Camp dates are listed below. We are adding a new camp this year for our upcoming freshman since we aren't able to host our regular May rookie camp. This will take place July 14th- 16th at the HHS band hall 9-12. More information regarding what you will need to bring and be prepared for will be coming shortly!

WEBSITE:

Make sure your student is signed up for the Members Only section of the band website to download music, watch tutorial videos, and get Google Classroom information! We will continue to release new materials, please make sure you're signed up so you don't miss a beat!

*Go to www.hernandobands.com

*Click on the "Music and Resources" page under the "students" tab.

*Create an account.

*Wait for director approval.

If someone you know is not receiving the weekly update, they need to email Mr. Quinnelly at joseph.quinnelly@dcsms.org so he can get them added to the mailing list!

Important dates:

June 15th - 19th Physical Conditioning/Marching Fundamentals
(Band Practice Field) *OPTIONAL

- 8:00-8:40 AM Percussion (30 students)
- 9:00-9:40 AM Color guard (26 students)
- 10:00-10:40 AM Woodwind (43 students)
- 11:00-11:40 AM Low Brass (38 students)
- 12:00-12:40 PM High Brass (28 students)

June 16th- \$250 Band Fee Due (Make checks payable to HHS; fee is also on Revopay)
Your student may bring fees with them to the practice that day.

June 22nd-26th Physical Conditioning/Marching Fundamentals
(Band Practice Field) *OPTIONAL

- 8:00-8:40 AM Percussion (30 students)
- 9:00-9:40 AM Color guard (26 students)
- 10:00-10:40 AM Woodwind (43 students)
- 11:00-11:40 AM Low Brass (38 students)
- 12:00-12:40 PM High Brass (28 students)

July 7th & 9th Physical Conditioning/Marching Fundamentals
(Band Practice Field) *OPTIONAL

- 8:00-8:40 AM Percussion (30 students)
- 9:00-9:40 AM Color guard (26 students)
- 10:00-10:40 AM Woodwind (43 students)
- 11:00-11:40 AM Low Brass (38 students)
- 12:00-12:40 PM High Brass (28 students)

July 13th-17th- 9-5 Section Leader Camp

July 13th- 16th- 9-1 Colorguard Camp

July 13th-16th- 9-5 Percussion Camp (auditions will take place during camp)

July 14th-16th- 9-12 "Rookie Camp"

July 20th-24th Band Camp Week 1 (M-Th 9-5; Fri 9-12) *ALL students required!

July 21st- \$200 Band Fee Due (Make checks payable to HHS)

July 22nd- 8 AM- Marching Shoe orders- \$49.00 CASH/CARD ONLY, NO CHECKS!

July 27th-31st Band Camp Week 2 (M-Th 9-5; Fri 9-12) *ALL students required!

July 30th Band Camp Showcase/Booster Meeting *ALL students required!

*Please keep in mind that these dates are subject to change due to COVID-19. We have released a tentative 2020-2021 band calendar on the website. Please be patient with us as we are cautiously planning for our fall season.

If you have any questions, please email a director: len.killough@dcsms.org, victoria.jones@dcsms.org, joseph.quinnelly@dcsms.org, tylerr.harris@dcsms.org.

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