

Dear Future Chieftain,

Thank you for your interest in the Bellevue East High School Instrumental Music Program. I am Charles A. Wright, the Director of Bands. I am delighted to have you be a part of our program. In order for proper placement in the ensembles we offer at East, we will hold auditions. Based on these auditions, you will be placed in the Advanced Band (Marching Chieftains) or Concert Band. Students in the Advanced Band are also eligible for Wind Ensemble, our top performing concert ensemble. The Wind Ensemble audition will take place after the marching season finishes. This allows us to grant official membership and/or make any last potential ensemble or schedule changes. All students will audition.

## Bellevue East Audition: March 3 - Logan, March 4 - Lewis & Clark, March 9/10 Mission

- Be prepared to play 2 major scales of your choice
- Be prepared to play the chromatic scale
- March in place while playing the "School Song"
- Play the Star Spangled Banner

## Wind Ensemble Audition:

Along with the above criteria for the Marching Chieftains audition, prepare and perform an excerpt that will be provided at a later date.

## MARCHING CHIEFTAINS SUMMER SCHEDULE

May 6<sup>th</sup>, 5pm-6:30pm - Marching Chieftain First rehearsal and Pizza Night May 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-8pm - Mandatory Marching Band Parent Meeting May 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>st</sup> - 5pm-9pm – Percussion/Guard Mini Camp May 27<sup>th</sup> - 5pm-9pm – New Member Camp June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5pm-9pm – New Member Camp Mondays - 5pm-9pm - Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion, Colorguard Sectionals [June & July] Thursdays - 5pm-9pm - Percussion & Colorguard Sectionals [June & July] SUMMER BAND CAMP: July 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 8am-5pm SUMMER BAND CAMP: July 30<sup>th</sup> 8am-12pm July 30<sup>th</sup> 7pm - Marching Chieftain Preview Night

Thanks again for your interest – we look forward to visiting with you soon!

Sincerely,

Charles A. Wright Director of Bands, Bellevue East High School