



News and Notes



And the Beat Still Goes On

Well, I'd love to use this space to tell you about all the activities coming up, about how we will all be back together soon... but I just don't have that kind of information to share. What I can tell you is that your Band Parent Association Board is doing our best to plan for the summer and next school year, as if it is all going to go back to normal—at some point. We are looking at revising the forms, we're starting to work on a budget and we are even beginning to take a look at the football schedule. Section Leader auditions are going on and Drum Major Auditions will follow next week. I guess it's nice to be planning for "normal" times.

On the other hand, I can

promise you that things are going to continue to change. One day, I feel inspired and energetic and ready to "conquer the world" (or at least my little corner). And, the very next day, I'm irritable for no reason, kinda sad and completely unmotivated for the smallest task. I have a feeling I'm not the only one on this roller coaster. This too shall pass....

As we look towards the future with hope and optimism, we are also planning ways to honor our Seniors. I posted information on a "Virtual Graduation" to be hosted by the actor, John Krasinsky (of "The Office" and "Jack Ryan") to our Band Facebook page. Please take a look. Rituals and routines are so im-

portant for these transitions. Also, we are putting together a video (just like we would at a normal banquet) and we need your photos. Senior parents, please send baby photos and maybe a freshman photo along with a senior picture to Veronica at vguerrero30@gmail.com. We will share the video with everyone. No matter how it's ending, this has been an amazing year for our band!



CLASS of 2020

Incoming Freshman Meeting, May 5

There are days when it seems almost impossible to focus on the future—much less make plans for it. Do we plan as if nothing has changed? Do we wait and see what tomorrow, next week, next month bring? We've talked about this and we've decided to plan in a spirit of hope and optimism. As such, it is more important than ever that our incoming

Freshmen feel welcome—not only to our band but to Centennial, as well. We will host our 1st ever Zoom Freshman Orientation Meeting on Tuesday, May 5 at 6:30 pm. If you know current 8th graders, who will be with us next year, please share this information with them. We will be sending details to Middle School Band Directors

and directly to those families that we have contact information for. New Section Leaders and Drum Majors, please plan to attend and to share "words of wisdom" with our new Band Fam members. Questions? Please ask Jeni.



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Thank you, Carlos Peay!

Carlos is our outgoing Vice-President. For 3 years, he has done every job imaginable out of love for his children and this band program. Carlos has worked concessions, driven trucks, built props, lugged those props all over the state, attended every single band performance and helped build a bridge between parents and Directors that would not have been possible otherwise. I wish we could give Carlos the send-off he deserves or at least a picnic (a tradition he started) to say thank you. Just know we love you, Carlos; and we are so grateful!

Coming Attractions - Important Dates

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
4/28	Section Leader/Drum Major Auditions	Zoom	TBA
5/2	Solo & Ensemble	CANCELLED	CANCELLED
5/5	Freshman Orientation Meeting	Zoom	6:30 pm
5/11	CHS Band Board Meeting	Zoom	6:00 pm
5/12	End of Year Concert	CANCELLED	CANCELLED
5/16	Band Year End Banquet	Virtual Platform	TBD
5/22	CHS Graduation	POSTPONED	POSTPONED
TBD	Rookie Camp	CHS	TBA
7/20-7/24	Percussion/Color Guard Camp	CHS	7:00-11:30 am & 1:00-5:30 pm
7/27-8/7	Full Band Camp (weekdays only)	CHS	7:00-1:30 am & 1:00-5:30 pm
Summer	Section Car Washes	TBD	TBA
Summer	Band Board Retreat	TBD	TBA
Summer	Student Leadership Retreat	TBD	TBA
8/1	Band Family Style Picnic	TBD	TBD
8/12	First Day of School	N/A	N/A

Note: Per general guidance from LCPS, all activities have been cancelled. As time goes on and we get additional information, it will be shared here and on the Band App.

Disney Refunds Update

This continues to be a work in progress. We have received official word that we will be receiving full refunds from all vendors, including the bus company. Once the funds have been received, we will write checks to you...

I still need you to email me with the following information:

1. Who your refund check should be made out to
2. Address where you want the check mailed



Photos from 2019-2020



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With Pride.
#HawkYeah

We're on the web!
www.centennialband.net

For the latest and most up-to-date information, join us on the **BAND app**. You can find it in the App Store and Android platforms. You can also search, "**Band.us/@chsband**". We ask that you have this app on your mobile device (and enable "push" notifications) for ease of communication at football games, competitions and other events.

Our website is: centennialband.net

Finally, check us out on Facebook
"[@CentennialHighSchoolBand](https://www.facebook.com/CentennialHighSchoolBand)".

Did You Know....? Band Parent Association Officers and Band Instructors

These are your Band Parent Board Officers and Band Instructors for the 2019-2020 School year and their "affiliated" sections:

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