



# News and Notes



## Ready or Not....

Just a few short weeks until Marching Season officially gets underway with Band Camp! We hope you're having a wonderful summer with some activities that feel a little closer to normal than we've known over the past 18 months. When band camp begins, there are a few things to remember:

1. Bring A LOT of water to drink.
2. Apply sunscreen.
3. Wear a hat and good shoes (no sandals or flops).
4. Eat a good breakfast.
5. Start getting in shape now. There will be conditioning as a part of Marching Band.
6. Attitude is everything!

Remember, we're all learning new music and everyone starts somewhere. We are all in this together.

7. Ask questions when you have them... You can talk with the Section Leaders, the Drum Majors, the techs, and the Directors. They are all here to help.

We are working on a schedule to hand out popsicles at the end of Band Camp each day, as a way to show our appreciation and offer encouragement to our students. If you'd like to volunteer for this, please reach out to Veronica Guerrero.

Finally, we are already planning our parent meeting for July 13. We will be serving hot dogs, chips and dessert at the meeting. We will also have tables set up to introduce you to the activities and volunteers for all of the tasks of the Board. We hope this is an enjoyable time where we can talk to you about band and answer any questions you may have. Please plan to attend this meeting. We will be able to take payments, provide paperwork, etc.



## Charms Now Available

Many of you have already received information about the upcoming Band Season. This packet includes a medical release, which must be submitted the first day of Band Camp. Additionally, there is information about fees, volunteer opportunities, traveling and photo release. If you haven't received these forms yet, they will be posted in the Band App and available hard copy any time you happen to be in

the band room. We will also have them available at the July parent meeting.

We will be using the Charms Office site to manage student accounts again this year. The instructions for logging on the first time will be attached to the email with this newsletter. If you try to log on and no account is found, I have-

n't set your account up yet, because I don't have your information packet. Returning students should be in Charms, only new/transfer students must wait until I have information. Please contact Jeni with any questions.



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**Congratulations, Low Brass!** Your car wash earned \$673! Thank you for your time and effort. It's hard work and we appreciate every single person who helped out yesterday!

Please remember, the Section Leaders are trying to set these car washes up. It is expected that members of the section, and their parents, participate in the car wash. These "little" fundraisers are the beginning of team-building, leadership training and memory making.



# Coming Attractions - Important Dates

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
6/28/21	5K Planning Meeting	CHS Band Room	6:00 pm
7/8/21	Percussion Color Guard Camp	CHS Band Room/Marching Field	8:00 - 11:30 & 1:00 - 5:00
7/9/21	Percussion/Color Guard Camp	CHS Band Room/Marching Field	8:00 - 11:30 & 1:00 - 5:00
7/10/21	Percussion/Color Guard Camp	CHS Band Room/Marching Field	8:00 - noon
7/10/21	Guard/Horns Car Wash	TBA	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
7/12-7/12/21	Full Band Camp	CHS Band Room/Marching Field	8:00-11:30/1:00-5:30
7/13/21	July Parent Meeting	CHS Band Room	6:30 pm
7/17/21	Band Family Picnic	TBA	TBA
7/19-7/23/21	Full Band Camp	CHS Band Room/Marching Field	8:00-11:30/1:00-5:30
7/23/21	Hawks at Sunset	Outside CHS Band Room	7:00 pm
7/24/21	Trumpets Car Wash	TBA	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
8/21/21	CHS Football vs. Cleveland	Field of Dreams	Call Time: 11:30 am Game at 1:00 pm
8/28/21	CHS Football vs. West Mesa	Field of Dreams	Call Time: 11:30 am Game at 1:00 pm
9/1/21	All Band Fees Due	n/a	n/a
9/10/21	CHS Football vs. Mayfield	Field of Dreams Home Side	Call Time: 5:30 pm Game at 7:00 pm
10/1/21	CHS Football vs. Organ Mountain	Aggie Memorial Stadium Visitor Side	Call Time 5:00 pm Game at 7:00 pm
10/16/21	CHS Football vs. LCHS	Field of Dreams Home Side	Call Time 11:30 am Game at 1:00 pm
10/22/21	CHS Football vs. Hobbs	Field of Dreams	Call Time 5:30 pm Game at 7:00 pm

The most up-to-date calendar will generally be found on the BAND app. Please be sure you are on the app and that you enable "push" notifications, so that you are aware of changes as they are made.



# What Are Your Gifts and Talents?

When your student is involved in High School Band, it's almost impossible not to get involved. But, what does that actually look like? That's the beauty of it! It can look like whatever you'd like! We have so many needs that, no matter what you like to do, there's a place for you to help.

Are you good with computers? Do you like to design websites? We have a need for that! (Contact Jeni)

Do you prefer to work with your hands and enjoy creating things from scratch? We NEED you to help us with props! (Contact Mr. Ramos)

Do you dig planning meals and handling logistics? Guess what! We need that, too! (Contact Jeni or Veronica)

How about sewing, making sure

the band looks their best and noticing the details that could make all the difference? We need these gifts, too. (Contact Jeni)

Do you prefer to see the marching show from the field, as opposed to the bleachers? Help us with pit and props during performances. (Contact Jeni or Veronica)

Do you enjoy working with lots of others? Don't want to do something on your own? Concessions is perfect! (Contact Jeni or Veronica)

The point is that all of these jobs, and many more, **MUST** be done and they can't possibly be done by 5 or 10 people. We will need 50-60 volunteers on a regular basis to support our kids in Marching Band. There can be no

assuming that the "other" parents will take care of it. We, honestly, need everyone.

This summer, we expect students and parents to participate in at least one car wash. Yes, it's hot and yes it's work; but it's also where memories begin. By the time next summer comes around, you will forget the heat and you will forget the work. You'll remember the silliness...

We also need your help with our First Annual 5K. The next meeting is on 6/28 in the band room.

As you can see, there's a place for everyone in band. Where will you plug in?

## Detailed Band Fees

Many families have not received the packet of paperwork for Band, yet. So, here is the breakdown of band fees for the upcoming school year. If you are able, we implore you to pay these fees now. We are incurring costs for marching season every week and your early payment helps us with cash flow.

You can pay through Charms (details on front page of this newsletter), the "donate" tab on our website at [www.centennialband.net](http://www.centennialband.net) (indicate student and which fees you're paying in the "notes" section) or via the mailbox outside the Band office door. Place payment in an envelope and write student's name and what you're paying for on the outside. Then insert into locked box. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Directors or Jeni/Veronica.

### Required Fees:

Marching Fee:	\$100 (everyone)
Concession Start-Up:	\$25 (everyone)
Meals:	\$20 (everyone)***
Marching Shoes:	\$40 (new students MB only)
Marching Gloves:	\$3/pair (suggest 2 pair MB only)
Color Guard Gloves:	\$15/pair (CG only)
Color Guard Uniform:	\$150 (CG only)
Color Guard Shoes:	\$40 (CG only)
Instrument Rental:	\$40/instrument/semester (if applicable)
Equipment Use:	\$40/semester (percussion & CG)

\*\*\*Food provided by the Booster Club may or may not meet dietary needs of all students. This fee will be waived for students with special dietary needs who decide to provide their own food.

There may be additional costs for optional activities like All State and Solo & Ensemble.

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**Stronger Together.  
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**".

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

These are your Band Parent Board Officers and Band Instructors for the 2021-2022 School year and their "affiliated" sections:

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