

CHATTAHOOCHEE BANDS

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BAND CAMP

Summer band camp is off to a great start this week! We are feeding the kids next week before their night blocks (July 26 & 27). Wednesday night we are serving Riverside Pizza and watermelon. Thursday night we are serving Chick Fil A meal boxes and fruit! If your student will not eat these options, please make arrangements to provide them with a meal around 6 pm each day. We will have gluten-free and vegetarian options.

Volunteers are still needed for camp! Click the link to see where you can help with check-in, errands, first aid, fruit donations, etc. Shifts are only 2-hours. <u>Chattahoochee Bands: Summer Band Camp 2023 (signupgenius.com)</u>

REMINDER: Please do not send sugary drinks or snacks for this time. REMINDER: Lunches are not provided during band camp. The students can pack a lunch, have food delivered, or go out for a quick bite. Please encourage your kids to make healthy choices during this time as well. Afternoons will be strenuous and hot. Heavy, sugary, greasy, and salty food will affect their performance.











DIRECTOR UPDATE

Congratulations again to the Chattahoochee Wind Ensemble for being selected to not only perform at GMEA State conference, but also the ensemble was recently selected to perform at the Music for All Southeastern Regional Concert band festival at Georgia State. More details and logistics will be communicated to the ensembles involved in these performance settings. Public announcements have not been made yet. We ask



that you kindly please refrain from sharing until the media release has occurred. Camp is running very smooth and a special thank you to all the parents that are measuring students, assisting with volunteering, moving water coolers, feeding students, running errands and so forth. It is a huge element of our program and is not taken for granted. On behalf of the students and directors, THANK YOU! During camp we are inside, outside, and moving around a lot to keep mental engagement. As expected, the support from the administration at the hooch has been great in managing rehearsal space and air conditioning for all the members. The membership continues to stay focused and determined this week and great sounds are starting to be executed!

Marching band Field trip/end of camp celebration. As part of camp, next Saturday (July 29th) the Blue Devils Drum and Bugle Corps will be rehearsing at Chattahoochee. We will observe rehearsal and make our way to the GSU stadium to enjoy a celebratory performance of the top 12 drum corps. Details will be communicated

directly from Mr. Garofalo this Friday. These performances are amazing and help the members see the level of achievement that they can obtain. Nothing beats an in-person example of highly executed marching ensembles. Expect that the student membership will be participating in the trip during the later part of the afternoon through the late evening. Please remember the end of band camp performance is next Friday. Here is a video link to the 2022 DCI Show. DCI 2022 World Championships Finalists Best Moments - YouTube

Timeline is listed in the "band camp info" attachment on prior director communications. It can also be found here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lvY3r74Tg46zoOZDo4qxNayoIFHaYc7M/view?usp=sharing I am excited to share what the students have learned next Friday at the parent community show! Go Hooch!

Thank you,
Mr. Garofalo
Director of Bands

COLOR GUARD UPDATE

We've already gotten so much done in these early days of band camp! When at home make sure your member is stretching, hydrating, and eating well each day and over the weekend. Please ensure all forms are turned in for the season. We have a few contracts still yet to be submitted. Be on the lookout for information about the new member warm up package if your member is new to color guard this year. I'm excited to see what we accomplish during the rest of band camp!



Thank you!
Alexandria Davies
Color Guard Director

SAVE THE DATE!



Parent potluck & band show – Friday, July 28th, 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm

Please join us for a potluck picnic with the band before our students show off all they have learned during band camp! We will be providing chicken and pork BBQ and parents are asked to bring a side dish to share. Don't forget to bring a serving utensil! This event will take place in the football pavilion off the senior lot. We look forward to meeting everyone there!

FOLLOW OUR PRIVATE FACEBOOK GROUP



Did you know we have a private parent only Facebook group? We share photos, events, this newsletter and more! FOLLOW "HOOCH BAND PARENTS" BY CLICKING THE ICON:



SPIRITWEAR UPDATE



Our Fall 2023 spirit wear link is LIVE! Click here to order marching band spirit wear for the whole family! If you ordered during the FREE shipping period, orders will be distributed at the parent band show.

Products – Hooch Band Merchandise (fyrethornspiritwear.com)

LOWER YOUR BAND DUES THIS SUMMER!

Take advantage of our programs to help reduce your band fees!



RaiseRight Gift Card - Dues Fundraiser (Ongoing): This program is available all year round! Join RaiseRight, purchase gift cards to use at your favorite stores, and lower your band fees! Whether you are planning a last-minute summer vacation, shopping for school supplies, or eating out, use RaiseRight. The selection of gift cards is amazing! Delta, Hilton, Target, Home Depot, Best Buy, Subway and Dominos are just a few of the 750 brand names you can choose from. Remember, anyone can help your student, grandparents, aunts and uncles,

and even friends of the family! Interested? Reach out to Deb Bargabus at ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com



Sponsorships - We are always seeking new sponsors! Sponsorship is a great way to support our excellent band programs. We are looking for your recommendations and connections to anyone or any business interested in becoming a sponsor of the Chattahoochee High School Band programs. If you have any recommendations or questions about our sponsorship options, reach out to Deb Bargabus at ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com



Butcher's Choice - Dues Fundraiser (Ongoing): Earn money towards your band fees while enjoying your summer BBQs! Shop for all of your family's premium meat and seafood products through Brad the Butcher. Whether you like beef, chicken, pork or seafood, Brad's high-quality products will be the star of your table. All purchases are delivered by Brad to the high school on a regular schedule. Order here http://www.butcherschoice.com/fundraiser.html.



Raffle Picnic Fundraising Campaign! – Mark your calendars! We are gearing up for an exciting event, the Raffle Picnic on September 16th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 pm. Watch your email and keep an eye on our newsletter for more details to come.



Join the Fundraising Committee! This year we will be holding fundraising events and campaigns. We need your help! If you join the fundraising committee, you will be an integral part of supporting our band programs. As a committee member, you will have the opportunity to support our fundraising efforts in different ways, such as coordinating

logistics for fundraising events, helping organize supplies, distributing flyers to sponsors, and sending reminders to sponsors and other project partners. The time commitment for being on the fundraising committee can range from 1 – 3 hours a month. Interested? Reach out to Deb Bargabus, ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com



Let's Chat! If you'd like to chat through how this works or make suggestions for other fundraiser opportunities, Deb is happy to spend time with you on the phone, by video meeting, or over email to chat with you and help you get started. Drop her a note at ChattBandFundraising@gmail.com to connect with her.

VOLUNTEERS

While we have had a good number of people step forward to help next season, we still have one open position. **VP of Events is a great position!** Please consider donating your time this year – you will have fun and make new friends, just like your student! Please

email Chris Lochamy at clochamy@gmail.com for details.

Title: VP of Events	Time: 20hrs/month	Duties: Plans and manages on-site events that
		are not games/concerts/band camp (i.e., SAPA,
		LGPE, Award Banquet, Back-to-school, 8th grade
		night, senior night, Hoochapalooza, etc.)

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS



As we prepare for this season, please note the following dates. We need everyone's help, and these events are also a terrific opportunity to meet other band parents who you will be spending a lot of time with this year!



Band Camp – NOW through – July 28th 8:00 am – 6:00 pm (some extended days). We still have slots available! We need parents to help with a variety of jobs during Band Camp. There are morning and afternoon 2-hour shifts available. Please sign up here: Chattahoochee Bands: Summer Band Camp 2023 (signupgenius.com)



CHS Stadium Cleanup Day - Saturday, July 29th, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. We still have slots available! Help us clean up the stadium concession stands! This workday will take place during the morning on Sign up here: Chattahoochee Bands: CHS Stadium Clean Up Day 2023 (signupgenius.com)



DCI (Drum Corps International) Show – July 29th, 5:00 – 10:00 pm
Bus/Performance chaperones needed for the trip to GSU stadium to watch DCI
(Drum Corps International) performances. Buses will be departing from
Chattahoochee High School around 3:00 pm on Saturday, July 29th and returning
late that night. Please review the available slots to sign up. Chattahoochee Bands: DCI
Show (GSU Stadium) 2023 (signupgenius.com)



FALL MARCHING BAND volunteer sign-ups are LIVE! Click here to sign-up:

Chattahoochee Bands: CHS Fall Marching Band Game & Competition Volunteers 2023
(signupgenius.com)

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