

CHATTAHOOCHEE BANDS

AUGUST 2, 2023 NEWSLETTER













DIRECTOR UPDATE

Thank you to all the members, parents, staff, and directors for a great marching band camp. It was capped off by a great performance on Friday night followed by a fun day of drum corps at Georgia State. I am greatly looking forward to the year ahead and am excited by all the opportunities we have designed for the student members!







Important Notes/Action items.

Marching band rehearsals begin the first day of school and are held on M/W/F having either games or rehearsals.

Below is a refresh of the detailed rehearsal and performance schedule for the marching band:

Saturday Camp Dates

8/19 9 am – 4 pm 9/9 9 am – 4 pm 10/14 9 am – 4 pm

General Season After School Rehearsal Schedule

Mon/Wed 4 pm - 7 pm Fri, no game 4 pm - 7 pm Fri w/game 4 pm - 6 pm Dinner @6pm (provided) Game @ 7:30PM

Teacher Workday Rehearsals

Wed 9/6 1 pm - 7 pm Wed 10/11 1 pm - 7 pm

Fall Contest Dates

9/23 Bands of America Regional Chattanooga, TN 10/21 Bands of America Buford, GA 11/4 White Columns Invitational Milton, GA 11/9 – 11 Bands of America Grand National Indianapolis, IN Please remember to register for the Bands of America travel package. This is the final contest of the marching season in Indianapolis Indiana. The registration and info can be found here:

Bands of America Grand Nationals Contest

As we begin the season preparations, we must consider our goals for the conclusion of our season in November. The Bands of America Grand National contest hosts 100+ bands in a highly competitive national arena. It is the culmination of time put forth by the members, parents, and community throughout the season. This prestigious event is held in high regard, and we look forward to performing at our best this November!

Please ensure you are registered by following the below information. This is for the trip portion of the marching band and is separate from general registration. This is part of the contest schedule and members are expected to participate.

Bands of America Trip Account Registration Online Registration Instructions:

- Go to www.musictravel.com
- Upper Right Click the "Trip Login" link
- Select "Register a New User"
- Fill out contact information
- Select "Register a Traveler"
- Enter trip number 2311-8-25
- Select "Make a Payment" to Pay Deposit

Further details/itinerary:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Mre2X3RKbD2KK8sX5el U4rW5E5biG84?usp=sharing

Thank you,
Mr. Garofalo
Director of Bands

COLOR GUARD UPDATE

We had a phenomenal two weeks of band camp! We hope you enjoyed watching our show on Friday at the Family & Friends Show.

Moving into the school year, please ensure all members and guardians are aware of the contract for the season. As stated in said contract, your member will be held to these expectations this Fall.

Good news! I am now an official Fulton County employee; I will be working at Chattahoochee this year as a CTI Paraprofessional. I have a Fulton County email now that students can send information to as well.



The <u>hoochcolorguard@gmail.com</u> email is still my primary contact, but now there is another option for the rare occasion. If it is ever needed, please use <u>daviesa@fultonschools.org</u> as a last resort option.

I look forward to getting the school year started!

Thank you!
Alexandria Davies
Color Guard Director

WE NEED YOUR PICTURES



Help us capture the season from EVERY angle! If you have a camera at home and want to get involved, contact ChattBandMarketing@gmail.com. We're looking for folks to help us be sure we're taking pictures and videos of every moment. For those of you who do that anyway (that's me!), please don't forget to upload your photos to our GuestPix site at https://my.guestpix.com/Guest/Login/9757 using PIN: 4898.

STADIUM CLEAN-UP







Thank you so much to all the volunteers who helped clean the concession stands. You all did a fabulous job and it's so appreciated! Special thanks to Kim Boberg and Don Little for putting together our new grill. We're looking at concession opportunities at other local venues. More information soon.

HOOCH BANDS WEBSITE



Book mark our website for future reference here: Home | Chattahoochee Bands

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! Products – Hooch Band Merchandise (fyrethornspiritwear.com)

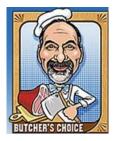
LOWER YOUR BAND DUES THIS SUMMER

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



RaiseRight Gift Card - Dues Fundraiser (Ongoing): Take advantage of Raise Right's Back to School Bonus, now through August 4th! 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



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.

FUNDRAISING IS A TEAM EFFORT



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



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

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, we need everyone's help! Helping with Fall marching band football games and competitions is a terrific opportunity to meet other band parents who you will be spending a lot of time with this year! Sign up here: Chattahoochee Bands: CHS Fall Marching Band Game & Competition Volunteers 2023 (signupgenius.com)





We need your help making the wraps for this season's marching uniforms. Being able to sew is helpful but not necessary. If you can cut and tape, we can use you. Sign up here: Marching Band Parents: Help Creating Shako Wraps (signupgenius.com)

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