

2011-12 Camp Hill Marching Band

The Tradition of Excellence and Pride

Info and Etiquette

Below are some important suggestions and reminders. If you are not sure about something, ask an upperclassman or staff member! There is a lot of info here, so please “digest it” over the next week.

- An itinerary with specific weekend times will be distributed every Wednesday night (September through October). Itineraries will also be posted on the band web page.
- Check your email often---updates/info is sent frequently.
- Smile!
- Winds and Percussion - for home games, change at the band room, leave your uniform bag. Accommodations for students with athletic practices after school should be made prior to Friday afternoon. Wear your uniform with pride at all times, in other words, have jacket on... ready to go (i.e. no jacket thrown over shoulder or suspenders hanging down, etc.) Percussion - this includes having your uniform on when getting drums out of the truck (unless given permission by staff to take jacket off). Guard – **report IN UNIFORM!**
- **You are responsible for getting to Siebert.** Parents and Guardians- last year, to alleviate the overcrowded parking issue in the main lot at the pool, we had band students with driver licenses volunteer to car pool band members over to Siebert and back to the school after the game. If you prefer that your son/daughter not be transported by a student driver, that is perfectly fine.
- **Parents, Guardians and Students**---in regards to parking at school--- **no vehicles at anytime, should be parked in the driveway outside the band doors.** This includes dropping off and picking up prior to/after football games/TOB's.
- Also, before and after school hours this year, students should be dropped off **in the handicap zone** by the dock doors....this is at the request of the administration. There has been too much of a traffic back- up on school days with cars dropping off students in the driveway by the band doors.
- For all away games and TOB's, please do not park on Chestnut Street from the fire hydrant to the auditorium lobby doors---we need this area reserved for busses.
- Bus rules - no arms out the window and no moving around on seats when bus is in motion.
- *Say thank you to a chaperone!*
- When with the band (rehearsals, traveling, games, TOB's, etc), all school rules and policies apply at all times.
- PDA- school policy applies at all times when you are with the band!
- Cell/Mobile/Smart Phones- are not permitted on the field during rehearsals, skull sessions, or in the stands at games. During your free time (3rd quarter), you may use your mobile units.
- Rain Jackets for ALL band members will be kept in the band lockers. Guard and Managers- for home games, I will do my best to make a decision by 3:15 if we are wearing /taking rain

jackets so that you can take them with you, since you report directly to field. When we take rain jackets along for away games and TOB's...WRAP the jacket around your uniform bag and button the top button, hang on bus window. Managers- hang rain jacket on hangar in bus.

- Practice!!
- The sequin baldric will be worn for TOB's and Homecoming ...please be gentle with them!
- Winds and Percussion-**NO JEWELRY** at any time when you are in uniform! If you get your ears pierced and cannot remove your earrings, cover the earrings with band aids!
- When reporting to Siebert, **if the seats are not covered, leave your case and flip folder in the stands, not on the seats, parents need to put seat covers on the benches.**
There is plenty of room for everyone in the instrument and guard sections where we sit. Guard should report and drop bags in front of truck and report to the west side (near long jump runway). Winds should report to the North end zone with instrument and hat for warm-up at the time indicated on the itinerary. We will perform immediately after skull.
- Band hats in skull session should be placed on the ground in front of your right foot.
- Once we hit the "starting gate" (end zone) for **all** of our performances this year, **EVERYONE** should be getting their "game faces on" and focusing on our performance and your personal approach to "flipping the switch". (In other words - NO chit chat).
- Immediately after a home pre-game performance, winds and percussion will go to the stands and get the fight song, Star Spangled Banner, and Alma Mater, Rocky Top, and Jock Jams ready. Water and jacket removal will be taken care of **AFTER** that procedure.
- *SMILE and say thank you to a chaperone!!*
- Guard will change in the shed and roll flags **after** SSB, Alma Mater, etc. Band related wear is mandatory - i.e. band t-shirt, band **or SOLID** blue sweatshirt, solid dark blue or black warm-up or blue/black/gray sweat pants. **NO JEANS.**
- If we take jackets off, **band t-shirt** must be on.
- If it is cold and we take band jackets off, band sweatshirts or **SOLID** blue sweatshirts are acceptable. General rule of thumb- if we have band pants on, you are wearing a band jacket or other band wear.
- Practice!!
- No hats (i.e. baseball caps) or bandanas while wearing your uniform.
- Have your flip folder music in alpha order.... We play often and a lot.
- **NO eating in the stands during the first half.** Plan your supper prior to coming to Siebert.
- We stand and are **QUIET** while watching visiting bands' performances (applauding and cheering at appropriate places). At away games, we will walk over to their home side to watch and listen. At the TOB award ceremonies, same thing ---appropriate cheers, and we respectfully acknowledge all other performing bands—after all, we are all in this together and we all share the same passion for performing.
- You have 3rd quarter free. Putting your instrument in its case is recommended.
- At away games, Guard will additionally have a portion of the 4th quarter free. Time will be determined game by game due to the fact that Guard members need to wait to change out of their uniforms until the winds and percussion are changed. **ALL** members -including managers-- sit in the stands with the entire band for quarters 1, 2, and 4.
- For away games and TOB's we change on the buses after our performances. **PLEASE** remember this when getting ready for road trips as far as your wardrobe is concerned (i.e. blue or black umbro shorts and band t-shirt)! Guard - you will first roll your flags and put equipment away, then change after the winds/percussion are finished. If the governing chaperone can find a place in a school to change, then that will be the chaperone's decision.
- After the game and rehearsals, **PICK UP YOUR TRASH!!!**

- Say *thank you* to a chaperone!
- And Smile!
- Learn what “folding your pants crease” means.
- When uniforms are handed back after a game or TOB, the parents will check to be sure that everything is put on the hanger correctly. Students are expected to wait to have their uniform checked prior to leaving. Parents will ask you to re-hang your uniform if there is a problem.
- Winds, Battery, and Pit---you are responsible for dry cleaning, when needed, your uniform throughout the season. Sign out after performance at the uniform room. Guard- Please refer to your handout in regards to cleaning and care of your uniform
- All guard members will receive a document/instructions on specific criteria for football games and TOB’s (make-up, hair, etc)
- You are responsible for cleaning/polishing your shoes prior to each performance.
- Be flexible and understanding, especially when it rains and changes are made to the itinerary.
- We will watch the video of our TOB show when returning to school that night.
- The back band office and band room will be available during the week for you to look at score sheets, listen to judges’ tapes, and watch the video. Most students come in during lunch, study hall, or after school. Recaps for the entire show will be posted in the hallway. Your section leader will pass along more detailed information.
- At rehearsals, “isolated shower procedure” means get in a car, band shed, or back of band truck and stay dry until the rain passes. In some cases we will go into Fiala.
- You can follow TOB events/ scores throughout the season at www.njatob.org or <http://www.bluewaveband.org/bluewaveband.asp>
- [Be sure to frequently visit Yeah Band on Facebook and camphillband.org webpage](#)

All of you are a member of a GREAT organization. You consistently work hard to achieve a fantastic performance level!!! Let’s have fun as a group doing it.