To Hamilton Band Parents,

We have just completed our summer marching band camp and I want to take a moment to share a few reflections with you. I find that in my haste to prepare for the start of school I often fail to stop and take note of the growth that has taken place in our band.

Just a short time ago we all met for the first time and began rehearsing for another exciting year. The group was mixture of seasoned veterans and nervous rookies. We worked hard regardless of the weather. We started learning the music, and basic marching fundamentals. To be quite honest, it wasn’t a pretty sight in the beginning. Slowly however, the group began to take shape. This group of diverse individuals began To get into a uniformed unit, a team, a BAND!

The transformation resulted from several things. Heading the list is terrific example the upperclassmen set for our new members. Their leadership has taken several forms, from helping to set up rehearsals to assisting new band members with music and marching techniques. They helped to make the new members’ transition a positive one.

Next is the fine class of new band members. Their great attitude coupled with their musical ability is sure to make a difference in our band. They have brought a level of excitement unparalleled in recent years.

Finally, we thank you, the parents, patrons and friends. You have showed your support by stopping by rehearsal, providing transportation and providing positive reinforcement for the students.

Our year is just beginning. It promises to be one that sets a new standard for the Hamilton Marching Band. As we continue our quest for excellence, we hope you will continue to support our band and its members. I look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Mr. Frazier
Mr. Fulton
Mrs. Laing
Band schedule for the weeks of August 15 and 22, 2016

Wednesday, August 17th
1st day of school
Color Guard Practice after school 2:30 - 5:30 pm

Thursday, August 18th
Percussion Sectional 2:30 - 5:00 pm

Friday, August 19th
Practice Everyone
Bring Practice Clothes 2:30 – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, August 23rd
Band & Percussion Practice
Bring Practice Clothes 2:30 - 6:00 pm

Wednesday, August 24th
Color Guard Practice
Bring Practice Clothes 2:30 - 6:00 pm

Friday, August 26th
First Away Football Game
Practice (Practice Clothes) 2:30 - 3:45 pm
Load Trucks 3:45 - 4:15 pm
Load Buses 4:15 pm
Leave for Dayton 4:30 pm
Dinner in Dayton provided
By the Band Parents
Game Starts 7:00 pm
Games ends around 10:00 pm
Arrive back to HT 11:15-11:30 pm

Saturday, August 27th
Parade in Obetz
Band room opens at 9:45 am
Band room closes 10:15 am
Parade line - up 10:30 am
Parade starts at 11:30 am
Parade ends 12:30 pm
Band room opens 12:30 pm
Band room closes 1:00 pm

Game Day Packing List

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Parade Uniform

Band and Percussion  Color Guard
Same as the football game  Same as the football game

1st Away Football game
- Times are listed above
- We will wear summer uniform
- Students will need to bring everything to school with them on Friday morning, since we have practice after school.
- Students will need to bring money for concession stand
- We will be riding on school buses, so you may bring mp3 players.
- Band members will not be allowed any food / drink on the bus.
- The game is at Dayton Welcome Stadium. The game starts at 7:00 pm.
- All students must ride the bus to and from the game. Students can ride home from a game only with their parents. (NO FRIENDS, BOY/GIRL FRIENDS OR OTHER RELATIVES). I must have a band travel release form. This form must be fill out and returned by the end of the school day on Friday.
- Parent chaperones need to be at the school by 4:00 pm.
- Dayton Welcome Stadium, 1601 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd, Dayton, Ohio 45417

Note From Our Band Parent Organization
If you still owe for band camp, green shirt or shoes, please send that money to school with your child. This money was due at the end of band camp, on Aug. 5. Checks need to be made out to HAMILTON BAND PARENTS. Money can be turned into Mr Frazier.

Band Camp $80.00  Green Shirt $15.00  Shoes $30.00

VARSKITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

8/26  Away  Dayton Belmont
9/2   Away  Licking Heights
9/9   Home  Worthington Kilbourne (Hall of Fame)
9/16  Home  Amanda Clearcreek (Military Night)
9/23  Home  Liberty Union (Homecoming)
9/30  Away  Teays Valley
10/7  Away  Fairfield Union
10/14 Home  Bloom Carroll
10/21 Home  Logan Elm (Senior Night)
10/28 Away  Circleville
**DIRECTIONS TO DAYTON WELCOME STADIUM**

Take ramp for I-270 West  
At exit 8, take ramp right for I-70 toward Indianapolis  
At exit 41, take ramp right for OH-4 South / OH-235 South toward Dayton  
Take ramp left for OH-4 South / I-75 South toward Cincinnati  
At exit 51, take ramp right for Edwin C Moses Blvd toward Nicholas Rd  
Turn left onto S Edwin C Moses Blvd  
Arrive at S Edwin C Moses Blvd

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**Important Upcoming Dates**

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**REMEMINDER FROM THE BAND EQUIPMENT TRUCK DRIVERS**

WHEN PICKING UP BAND MEMBERS AFTER AN AWAY GAME PLEASE PARK IN THE STUDENT PARKING LOT. PLEASE DO NOT PARK OR WAIT IN THE DRIVEWAY BY THE FLAG POLES. WE NEED THIS AREA TO STAY OPEN FOR UNLOADING THE BAND EQUIPMENT TRUCKS.

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**MUSIC TEST THIS WEEK**

There will be a playing test on the following songs:

- Selections from the first two songs from the Red Riding Hood Show  
- The songs must be from memory.

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**OUTSTANDING DISCOUNT CARD FUNDRAISER MONEY**

There is still a lot of students who have yet to turn in their money from the discount card sale. (44 students total)  
This money was to be turned in by July 28, 2016. Each student was required to sell three discount cards at $10.00 dollars each. (total $30.00) Please check with your child to see if they still have this outstanding fee.

Checks can be made out to HAMILTON BAND PARENTS. Please turn in money to Mr. Frazier. (total amount still outstanding is $1320.00)
WEB INFORMATION

Band Sites
http://hamilton townshipband.blogspot.com/
Photos, Videos, Forms and other information

Youtube.com
Hamilton Rangers Marching Band Videos

Facebook
Hamilton Township Band Parents
Photos and much more

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