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THE START OF SOMETHING

It's hard to believe that Camp is over and the season has begun, but here we are. We've completed our first football game. We're on the eve of parades and competitions. Before we know it, the season will be over and we'll be working on music for the Holiday Concert. Take every opportunity that you can to savor the moment. You only get one shot at this. Make it one that you will remember forever! Oh yeah - and keep up-to-date in your classes!

Student Accounts

Every member of the Marching Band has an individual account that is maintained for their entire stay in the band. Any profit earned from fund raisers goes into this account. Personal deposits also go here as well as deductions for things like uniform cleanings and bounced checks.

Periodically, everyone will receive statements detailing the status of their account. If there are ever any questions or discrepancies, please call to let me know that it is incorrect. You can also call me at any time to have a statement printed.

Please note that any money that is earned from fund raisers must remain in the account. If, for some reason, there is more money in your account than is needed, the only money that you could have returned is money that you have personally deposited. Generally, the money that is in this account is used for the Spring Trip.

Account balances must be kept up-to-date. Students that do not have balances on the plus side may not be given fund raiser items and definitely will not participate on the Spring Trip to Williamsburg.

Competitions

Time is quickly approaching when we will be participating in competitions. It's always great when the kids look up into the stands and see friendly faces dressed in red, and hear the appreciation of our fans in the audience. They perform much better when the crowd is on their side. Make some noise to cheer on the band, but be respectful of the other bands, too. We purposely book competitions that are close by so we can have parents and friends attend. Directions are always available in the band room.

Band-Aides of Vineland

Thank you to the members that have volunteered to be members of the Band-Aides Executive Board. The officers for the coming school year are:

<i>President</i>	Barbara Crescenzo
<i>Vice President</i>	Ed Walters
<i>Secretary</i>	Jody Steinbronn
<i>Treasurer</i>	Nancy Walters
<i>Publicity</i>	Warren Crescenzo
<i>Project Coordinator</i>	Yolanda Garcia

The main job of the Band-Aides is to provide the opportunity for everyone to earn money to put into your individual account and support the activities of the Marching Clan. They also have some other jobs, like providing food in between events if we have a long day. We are always in need of volunteers. Contact me at the above number if you are a parent that can help on any of our ventures. We will especially need help at performances when we put equipment on the field.

FUND RAISER INFO

- **Sub Sale** - Tickets for WaWa subs. Each one puts \$.80 in your account. More tickets will be available from Mrs. Walters.
- **Boscov's Day** - Info has been distributed. \$4.00 will be deposited into your account for each coupon sold.
- **Cheesecakes/Cinnamon Buns** - Brochures will be distributed in October and delivery will be in time for Thanksgiving.
- **Cookie Dough** - Information will be distributed in November.

Remember that, in general, 80% of the profit from each fund raiser is deposited into your individual

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 09/01 Diane Severino
- 09/04 Valerie Walters
- 09/06 Zak Blowers
- 09/21 Jenna Gustason
- 09/22 Malachi Jenkins
- 09/23 Ewart Graves
- 10/01 Angel Medina
- 10/05 Christian Muller
- 10/10 Ariana McTamney
- 10/13 Gunner Loper
- 11/06 Tyler Steinbronn
- 11/19 Matt Bowen



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We are about to launch our own band website. After a number of years of hesitation, it's becoming a reality. Keep checking the address to see when it's ready.

The site will be including a history of the band, schedules, information about members, newsletters, competition scores, and some unexpected tidbits.



THE FAMILY CORNER

- Class officers were elected during camp. They are:

- Senior Rep Ariana McTamney
- Junior Rep Kaitlyn Walder
- Soph Rep Gunner Loper
- Frosh Rep Jonathan Roig

- Field Officer is:

- Drum Major Kaitlyn Browne-Torpey
- Guard Captain Charlene Caulford

- Truck Crew for this year will be:

- Angel Medina - Captain
- Justin Feliciano
- Ewart Graves
- Gunner Loper
- Christian Muller
- Jeff Walters
- Diane Severino

- Parents: Remember to sit together in the stands at competitions. This helps the cheering and boosts the kids on the field. Also, we would appreciate it if you would sit near us when you attend football games. We like to form a perimeter around the kids (especially at home games.)

- We try to keep the location of our competitions close so we can have as many family members and friends attend as possible. Cumberland Regional and Millville are USSBA Competitions. Delsea Reg. and Egg Harbor Twp. are Cavalcade of Bands Competitions. The USSBA State Championships are in Washington Twp. again. We are still deciding if we will be going to the Cavalcade Championships. They will be in Hershey, PA.

- Please be respectful of the Marching Band staff when it comes time to pick up students after rehearsals and events. The staff cannot leave until every student has been picked-up. It is very rare that the return times that are printed on the weekly schedule are more than 15 minutes off. The Firemen's Parade was an exception. We stood for 2 hours waiting to step off into the parade. All of the other events usually run very close to predicted times. If there is going to be a delay of some type, the students we will encourage the students to call on cell phones.

- Since you do not take your uniform home, here's a review of the procedures that we will need to follow:

1) You should bring a "Band Bag" with you to all performances. In this bag there should be several items that are always present. Musicians should have band shoes, black socks, gloves, jeans, sneakers, white socks, and your band t-shirt. Color Guard members should have Guard shoes, white socks, Jeans, sneakers, and a band t-shirt. Additional items will be added as necessary.

2) Whenever we go to a performance, you should be prepared to get into your uniform when we arrive at the performance. To do this, you will need to wear some type of shorts (boxers, lightweight nylon or lycra - heavy shorts are not acceptable) and your band t-shirt. Most of the time, we will be putting on uniforms at the equipment truck. Color guard will also need to be prepared to change into and out of your uniform at the equipment truck.

3) Everyone should be prepared to use the items in their bag if necessary. For example, if the weather is bad, you will already have jeans and sneakers in your bag ready to go.

4) When you need your uniform cleaned, or you are told to have your uniform cleaned, you will sign the clipboard in the band room. These uniforms will be sent to the cleaners on Monday afternoon and returned to your uniform bag before the weekend performances. In order to have all of the uniforms cleaned when necessary, you will need to put your name on the form by noon on Monday. After that, you will have to wait a week. After the uniforms have come back from the cleaners, you will have to pay for the cleaning (from your account) at the rate that Excalibur gives us for the bulk cleaning. The process is simple and runs very smoothly.

