



WATTERSON MARCHING EAGLES

Summer Newsletter 2019

Dear Parents & Students:

Hello to all! We are very excited to start up another great season with the Watterson Marching Band. Please read this *entire* newsletter. You will find the band camp schedule on page three. It is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT that students are in attendance for ALL of band camp. Please contact Mr. Renzi immediately if there is a problem. Due to the nature of our activity, it is imperative that everyone is in attendance. Visit our website for more information, forms, etc. www.wattersonbands.org

The one week intensive camp is very beneficial to our program and is common for most competitive programs. If you are working during the summer, make arrangements with your employer immediately. Also, please schedule vacations before band camp.

Important Note: Physicals must be done prior to the first day of band camp. If you have had a physical since January 1, 2019 then you are good. Please turn in all official physical forms to the main office. This is required by law of the State of Ohio.

Band camp is MANDATORY. Make sure you are on time for all activities. *“Being early is being on-time, being on-time is being late.”*

Some important things to remember:

- Bring a water **jug** every day. (no sweetened drinks)
- Dress appropriately for the weather. You *must* have good athletic shoes with socks.
- A hat with rim (baseball cap, etc.) is needed.
- Bring 5 or more set markers with name on: plastic tub lids or anything flat and sturdy. These are for marking positions on the field and are used much of the season. (not pit)
- Eat a nutritious breakfast before arriving each day. Nothing “heavy” and easy on caffeine.
- Wear sunscreen, especially early in camp.
- Consider beginning a simple exercise regiment before camp. Jogging or walking.

INSTRUMENTALISTS: Show music, Pre-game music, and stand tunes should be memorized by first day of camp. All will be posted online. Consider private lessons for extra help and attend any extra sessions that may be scheduled by section leader.

PERCUSSION: Will follow summer schedule from Mr. Swanson (jswanson@cducation.org)

TENTATIVE FEE SCHEDULE: **All fees are subject to change. Incentive funds may be used for these fees. Checks made payable to Band Boosters. *Please read enclosed documents for further information. Incentive funds may be used.*

Transportation fee	\$90.00	Due first day of full camp
Dry leaning fee (not guard)	\$40.00	Due first day of full camp
Band Camp lunch fee	\$20.00	Due first day of full camp
Guard uniform fee	\$40.00	Due first day of full camp
Polo (summer uniform)	\$15.00 (est.)	Due at delivery if needed.
Marching shoes	\$30.00 (band & guard)	Due at delivery if needed.
Gloves (wind players only)	\$3.00 a pair	Due at delivery. Available all season.

A band t-shirt will be designed and may be ordered. Details and cost TBD

There are also fundraising activities which help pay for budgeted expenses not listed. A detailed letter regarding fundraising and incentive accounts will be passed out and discussed at our new parent meeting, the annual potluck in August, and posted online.

SUMMER UNIFORM: New members will need to purchase.

Please note what this involves:

- Watterson Marching Band Polo Shirt. These will be ordered during camp.
- Tan shorts. Not too long, not too short. No cargo pants! (may wear official Watterson shorts)
- White athletic shoes. No “neon” colors. No “Chuck’s” or high tops.
- Short white athletic socks.

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REHEARSAL SCHEDULE FOR SCHOOL YEAR

*Begins first day of school.

The marching band continues to rehearsal after school during the fall.

*Schedule may be altered due to early dismissals or days off.

<u>WINDS:</u>	Monday: Full Band Rehearsal	until 5:30	<u>PERCUSSION</u>	Monday: With Band until 5:30
	**Tuesday: Brass sectionals (no WW)	until 4:15		Tuesday: Percussion until 5:00
	**Wednesday: Woodwind sectionals (no Brass)	until 4:15		Wednesday: Percussion until 4:00
	Thursday: Full Band Rehearsal	until 5:30		Thursday: With Band until 5:30
	Friday: Rehearsals <i>only</i> if no game	TBA until 5:30		Friday: With Band if no game

**We are looking at a possible change to the Tuesday/Wednesday set-up starting at the end of September.

All practices are mandatory and required for band members for their grade. Please schedule all appointments after practice. A more detailed calendar will be passed out during band camp and will be posted online.

Performance Schedules

*All performances are Mandatory.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

*All home games are at **Ohio Dominican University**.

*Game starting times, NOT reporting times. Those will be posted later.

8/30	Lancaster	7:00	AWAY	*Might not attend
9/6	Marion Local	7:00	HOME	*ODU
9/13	Walsh Jesuit	7:00	AWAY	*Will not attend
9/20	Dayton Carroll	7:00	HOME	*ODU
9/27	Chaminade-Julienne	7:00	AWAY	*Will not attend
10/4	DeSales	7:00	AWAY	
10/11	Ursuline	7:00	HOME	*ODU *Homecoming
10/18	Hartley	7:00	HOME	*ODU *Senior Parent Night
10/25	Dayton Dunbar	7:00	AWAY	*Will not attend
11/1	St. Charles	7:00	AWAY	

CONTEST SCHEDULE

*Schedule is currently tentative. All performance times will be announced about 1 week in advance.

A finalized schedule will be posted online during or after band camp.

9/21	Logan Elm	Logan, OH	OMEA	Starts at 4:00 p.m.
9/28	Mini-Camp	Bishop Watterson		9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
10/5	Westerville North	Westerville, OH	OMEA	Starts at 3:00 p.m.
10/12	Mason	Mason, OH	MSBA	Starts at 4:00 p.m.
10/19	Centerville	Centerville, OH	MSBA	Starts TBA
10/26	Thomas Worthington	Worthington, OH	OMEA	Starts 5:30 p.m.
11/1	OMEA State MB	TBA	OMEA	Starts TBA
11/8	MSBA Championships	West Clermont, OH	MSBA	Starts at TBA