



Welcome to the 2010/2011 Farmington High School Marching Band Family!

This packet of information summarizes both the time and financial commitments involved with marching band. We want to ensure all families have an understanding of what's involved with this activity. Hopefully, this will answer your questions, but if you still have more, please let us know. We're all friendly, so don't hesitate to contact us with any and all questions:

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Please provide us with email addresses when you are asked for contact information – we are trying to keep our costs down and make communications easier. Most communication will happen through email.

We need all sorts of parent volunteers to make this program successful, and many roles don't involve a big time commitment. Contact us for more information.

The Music Patrons website is a great source of information – www.fhsmusic.org

See inside for:

- Time commitment overview
- Rehearsal schedule, including summer mini-camps
- Financial information
- Current student fundraising account balances that can be applied to expenses
- Payment vouchers

FHS Marching Band

Time Commitment Overview

2010/2011

While marching band is a lot of fun, it also requires a large time commitment, and we want everyone to understand what that involves. The season starts in the summer and runs until early November.

Summer Rehearsals:

- See the attached schedule of summer mini-camps. They run throughout the summer.
- There will also be sectionals that will be scheduled later.
- Also, color guard and percussion will have additional rehearsals.

Band Camp:

- They will spend a week away at camp (yep, in the woods!) marching, making music, bonding, and generally having fun.
- They will board the bus at FHS early on Monday, August 16, and then, due to budget cuts, *parents* will bring them back on Saturday, August 21. (More details will come later.)
- Parents are invited (and encouraged) to drive out to camp (north of Muskegon) to see the performance on Saturday morning.
- There's a lot of paperwork to fill out for camp that you'll receive later, but in order to be prepared to fill out the health form, be sure to schedule a physical soon.
- We need chaperones, and if you're interested, contact Rob Voigt at 248-476-1638.

After-School Rehearsals:

- They work hard, and this involves lots of after-school rehearsals. See the attached schedule for the tentative after-school rehearsal schedule.

Football Games:

- The band usually performs at all home football games (with the possible exception of the first one or two, depending on the schedule) as well as any away games within the Farmington School District. They perform a pre-game show and a half-time show. They also play "stand tunes" during the games, and generally make it a festive environment for all. Stay tuned for the exact schedule.
- On game days, the band will rehearse after school until dinner time. We parents will provide them (and ourselves) a tailgate dinner in the FHS parking lot. They will then put on their uniforms and prepare to march. It's a lot of fun for both band members and band families.

Competitions:

- The band participates in competitions at area schools throughout the season. If we make states again this year, that will be at Ford Field in early November.
- The competitions are on Saturdays, and although we will know at the beginning of the season which competitions we are participating in, we will not know exact timing until a couple weeks before each. Therefore, you need to block off those entire days until we get more information.
- Competitions are fun to go to and everyone is invited.

Fundraisers:

- Bottle & Can Drive – We collect returnable bottles and cans from various Farmington/Farmington Hills neighborhoods as a fundraiser. We do a drive in the spring and another in the fall.
- Tag Days – All three Farmington high schools join forces in the fall to raise money. Students spread out throughout the community asking for donations and passing out tickets to fall concerts.

Because the band is incomplete without all members in attendance, it is imperative that each member meets these commitments.

Marchers CANNOT participate in a fall varsity sport as well as band.

FHS Marching Band Summer Rehearsal Schedule 2010/2011

- The following rehearsal dates are **mandatory** for participation and/or earning a Varsity Letter in the 2010 season. These dates and times should be marked on your family calendars and communicated to workplaces ASAP.
- Students will be participating in sectional rehearsals twice each month—**independent** of full rehearsals. These will be scheduled by each section with the direction of the section leaders.
- Students must bring a water bottle to each rehearsal.
- **All students should plan on bringing lunches to the full rehearsals as they will not be permitted to leave the campus.**

MINI CAMP 1

Tuesday	June 22	9am—12pm	new marchers & section leaders only
		12pm—5pm	full band
Wednesday	June 23	9am—5pm	full band
		7:30pm—9:30pm	MOVIE NIGHT – Bring snacks!

MINI CAMP 2

Monday	July 12	9am—5pm	full band
Tuesday	July 13	9am—5pm	full band
Wednesday	July 14	9am—5pm	full band

FOUNDERS FESTIVAL PARADE

Saturday	July 17	9am—11am	full band
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MINI CAMP 3

Monday	August 9	9am—5pm	full band
Tuesday	August 10	9am—5pm	full band
		7:30pm-8:30pm	Band Camp meeting for all students and parents - all camp forms due
Wednesday	August 11	9am—5pm	full band
Thursday	August 12	9am—5pm	full band
Friday	August 13	9am—5pm	full band

BAND CAMP @ Y.M.C.A. CAMP PENDALOUAN

Monday	August 16	6am	Depart FHS
Saturday	August 21	2pm	Dismissed at Camp Pendalouan <i>parent transport home</i>

REGULAR SEASON REHEARSALS

Monday	August 23	9am—5pm	full band
Tuesday	August 24	9am—5pm	full band
Wednesday	August 25	9am—5pm	full band

TENTATIVE WEEKLY REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Mondays	2:45pm—5:30pm	full band
Tuesdays	no rehearsal	
Wednesdays	2:45pm—5:30pm	full band
Thursdays	no rehearsal	
Fridays	2:45pm—5:30pm	full band
	<i>or end of football game</i>	

FHS Marching Band Financial Information 2010/2011

Your payments make marching band possible!

Marching Band Participation Fee

The participation fee includes band camp, instruction, music and show, uniform maintenance, costumes, awards, percussion maintenance, camp shirts, and other miscellaneous expenses.

All Sections \$600

**See next page for information
regarding help with finances**

A \$200 non-refundable deposit is due June 1. Positions may be forfeited if the deposit has not been paid.

The remaining balance will be due in two payments – August 1 and October 1.

You will not receive individual bills for these payments, so please keep track of when they are due. You will receive email reminders. Attached are payment vouchers to include with your payments.

You can also apply your student fundraising account balance to the participation fee. Indicate on your payment voucher how much you would like to apply. Email Karen Meyer at kmeyer248@gmail.com if you have questions about your fundraising account balance. You will receive an email periodically with updated balances. Be sure to provide us with an email address that you check regularly.

Mail checks payable to FHS Music Patrons (with student name in memo line) to:

Karen Meyer
22998 Warner
Farmington, MI 48336

Personal Items

Personal items include marching band shoes, gloves, etc., and you only need to purchase these if you don't have them from last year. Check that they still fit and are in good condition! Also, plain old black shoes won't work; you need marching band shoes purchased through FHS marching band to maintain a uniform look. Personal items for guard include warm ups, shoes, and other items depending on costuming.

Information regarding the cost of these items and other uniform details will come from the uniform committee as soon as they are available.

These payments are to be made to the uniform volunteers, preferably at the uniform fitting. You will be contacted by the uniform committee to schedule your fitting.

Your student will not receive these items until payment has been made –

NO EXCEPTIONS!

FHS Marching Band Financial Information (Continued) 2010/2011

Additional payment guidelines

- The first two participation fee payments (the deposit plus the next payment) must be made prior to band camp, or your student will not be able to board the bus. Contact us to discuss payment options if this is not possible. (We are volunteers, so please don't make us be the bad guys!)
- We realize marching band is not cheap, and **we don't want the financial aspect of marching band to keep anyone from participating.** If you need help with payments or would like to make payment arrangements, please don't hesitate to contact either one of us to discuss options. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available. **We want to help.**

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- There are some easy fundraising options available to help you raise money to cover your individual marching band expenses. The attached student fundraising account balances show how much others have raised, and if you'd like to know how you can do the same, contact Rob for more information:

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- Any outstanding payments from a previous year must be paid in full before the beginning of the current season.
- Any unpaid bills will be referred to the school for collection.
- No refunds will be made after band camp. The only exception is a season-ending injury prior to the mid-point of the season which precludes the student from participating in one half of the regularly scheduled performances. A physician's letter must accompany any such request. Any refund will be appropriately prorated.

**Student Fundraising
Account Balances**

4/29/2010

YR	STUDENT	CURRENT BALANCE
	Abel, Cooper	165.68
	Acker, Sean	35.48
	Alemayehu, Elena	45.85
12	Anderson, Lauren	105.18
	Argiroff-Flood, Ben	4.80
	Balough, Carli	12.93
10	Bell, Amy	178.30
12	Bergen, Jacob	16.30
10	Blaker, Chris	23.75
	Bowden, Mark	256.90
12	Busch, Russell	7.50
	Cafeo, John	8.35
12	Campbell, Lauren	44.15
13	Chacko, Rachel	18.68
10	Clunis, Daniel	59.31
10	Cole, Amanda	100.00
11	Collins, Thereon	65.92
10	Conner, Montez	4.75
11	Cook-Nelson, Nahshon	15.00
11	Corkery, Johnathan	50.00
12	Couture, Grace	232.66
	Crandell, Catherine	9.08
10	Cregar, Adam	62.25
10	Cromwell, Eli	81.45
	Das, Michael	47.42
11	Davis, Hannah	52.35
13	Desjarlais, Zachary	18.30
12	Diaz, Alex	5.50
12	Droelle, Bridget	74.82
	Duelo, Matt	4.80
13	Ely, Christopher	44.20
13	Franchi, Kristina	121.25
10	Gibson, Deva	61.28
10	Gordon, Jesse	5.15
12	Green, James	18.00
11	Grieg, Andy	250.00
12	Gurnee, Peter	20.15
11	Haas, Lindsay	243.61
10	Heath, Abbie	57.42
10	Herrle, Andrew	137.45
12	Hilton, Halley	12.93
11	Holcomb, Sara	36.14
12	Jones, Kayla	91.32
	Jordan	22.25
10	Kang, So-Hee	150.00
12	Kearney, Autumn	36.00
	Kenely, Jessica	236.72
12	Khanna, Ashna	18.00
10	Khuukarslan, Davud	125.00
10	Kiblawi, Emily	40.00
10	Kieling, Marlana	102.00
12	Kincaide, Laura	67.61
12	Kobayashi, Yutaka	10.80
11	Kohler, Lauren	502.78
13	Kohnert, Jason	10.00
10	Larson, Emily/Eric	105.60

10	LaTour, Robert	92.00
	Lee, Lynn	100.00
10	Leech, Andrew	42.50
12	Lester, Ian	64.24
	Lindenmuth, Connor	11.88
11	Lindman, Evan	3.40
10	Macklin-Camel, Lydia	30.60
12	Majoros, Henry	225.70
12	Mantey, Mitch	9.00
11	Martell, Tara	36.41
13	Martyn, Sarah	7.50
	McCaster, DeShante'	8.15
10	McGraw, Katie	127.91
14	McLoughlin, Sean	103.88
12	Meyer, Laura	196.96
12	Moore, Erin	9.00
12	Mullison, Kara	200.78
12	Mulvihill, Kaitlin	83.53
11	Napier, Heather	66.56
11	Neighbor, Jordan	9.00
14	Newcomer, Elise	92.34
12	Oeller, Liesl	9.00
12	Paschke, Alicia	9.00
10	Peters, Sam	152.33
12	Picking, Anne	46.13
11	Pingel, Kayla	221.00
10	Prezioso, Stefano	18.22
13	Riehl, Cooper	259.22
12	Robbins, Shawn	278.85
11	Roggenkamp, Susan	108.08
14	Savage, Lauren	524.29
12	Schoeps, Patrick	139.54
11	Scicluna, Luke	15.23
10	Setlock, Aubrey	100.00
13	Shady, Jesse	130.54
11	Siegel, Kaley	72.92
11	Siskosky, Emily	30.75
11	Smith, Myka	9.00
11	Steinke, Annie	60.00
11	Stimetz, Jeff	54.49
13	Tuba, Stephanie	325.15
	Uhelski	15.00
13	Varcoe, Heather	182.69
10	Varns, Becky	69.79
11	Voigt, Allison	240.77
12	Wallen, Darrell	2.10
12	Watson, Kim	5.20
	Wilk, Brandon	25.66
11	Williams, Briana	44.42
	Williams, Darrell	10.43
12	Wloch, Zachary	8.90
	Xiao, Jane	11.88
	Zaback, Ian	501.98
	Zimmer, Joe	219.53
12	Zuniga, Carolina	9.00

**Contact Rob Voigt to find out how you can
raise money for your account too!**

FHS Marching Band Payment Voucher
Non-refundable deposit due 6/1/10

Student Name _____ Today's Date _____

Non-refundable deposit of **\$200**

Indicate amount
to apply from student
fundraising account: _____

Indicate amount
of check enclosed
and check number: _____

Make check payable to FHS Music Patrons
Include student name on check

Mail to: Karen Meyer
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Farmington, MI 48336

FHS Marching Band Payment Voucher
Payment Due 8/1/10

Student Name _____ Today's Date _____

Payment of **\$200**

Indicate amount
to apply from student
fundraising account: _____

Indicate amount
of check enclosed
and check number: _____

Make check payable to FHS Music Patrons
Include student name on check

Mail to: Karen Meyer
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Farmington, MI 48336

FHS Marching Band Payment Voucher
Final Balance Due 10/1/10

Student Name _____ Today's Date _____

Payment of **\$200**

Indicate amount
to apply from student
fundraising account: _____

Indicate amount
of check enclosed
and check number: _____

Make check payable to FHS Music Patrons
Include student name on check

Mail to: Karen Meyer
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