

DECATUR CENTRAL BAND BOOSTER MEETING

JULY MEETING August 15, 2019
6:00pm DCHS Band room



Director's Report – Tim Cox, Director of Bands
New Business

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1. **Marching Show 2019:** We have had a great start to the marching band season with our Summer Rehearsals...part one and part two! Our first block of summer band (June) Focused on process and basic fundamentals. The second part (July Camp weeks) focused on learning drill / choreography / and music. *Thanks for having your kids involved!* We also learned how to use the props that are a very important part of our show. We have learned 36 pages of drill and have filled in and “produced” a lot of the moments in the show so far. This Saturday is our last 9am-5pm Mini Camp in August and we look to be learning A LOT MORE. Thanks to the staff we have this year, I believe our students are more productive and have more fun! We are very happy with the progress of the students.
2. **PROPS:** We are well into the building of the props for this year's show thanks to our awesome team for getting this started! We have ASKED MORE of these prop parents than ever before and they ROSE to the challenge. Our Husetops are nearly complete as we have painted them and added 5 of the 7 window sets to them. Thanks again to the amazing folks that have made this happen - especially Brent W., Chris M., Brandon H. and several others!
3. **UNIFORMS / Shoes** - We have ordered and paid for all of these items!! Remember, to get your shoes we will need you to PAY FOR THEM....No shoes will be given to students without payment!
4. **Batteries are needed:** “C” and “9V” batteries are used for Metronomes and our wireless rehearsal system are needed throughout the season. If you can donate these at any time during the season please let us know!
5. **2019 Marching Band SHOW is T-SHIRTS:** We are working with a new company this year to see if we can get a better quality shirt / track our profits to the penny / and streamline the ordering process. This new company is BSN Sports and is the sole provider for all DC Athletic merchandise and uniforms. They also did our member shirts (June). I know there are still some kinks to iron out so let me help to explain this.
 - A. Picking the company this summer (Kevin Toler and I did this as we were the ones that were able to have meetings consistently with the rep). We have been able to avoid a set up charge / payment process which saved us money.
 - B. Bulk orders (member shirts) are cheaper through this company
 - C. A negative was the time the “website window” was open. This was all due to timing and getting our first order HERE by the first contest
 - D. Another drawback was the shipping cost per order...I will work on this to see if I can get it lower.

- E. We will be able to offer another ordering date - I will let you know when that can happen.
- F. The logo on the website is a basic DC logo (Athletics) but our ACTUAL logo will be on our merchandise



6. MARCHING CONTESTS September 7th and November 2
The Contest of Champions is coming up quickly!! We have 10 bands and hope to end up with 13-14 bands here!

The first contest we are hosting is our own Invitational...this means that we are assuming all of the costs *(and keeping all of the profits). The 2nd contest is the ISSMA Class "C" SEMI STATE: PLEASE Reserve these two dates! We will need lots and lots of help on these days. In order to receive the \$100 Band fees discount – **ALL PARENTS MUST WORK THESE TWO CONTESTS!!** Please know that grandparents, friends, and any family members / church friends can be used to help you earn the credit if you cannot work that day. We will have a list of the jobs and job descriptions available on charms and our band website for you to read before you sign up. Also - **BAND CAMP activities:** Thanks for a great band camp!

OUR OWN STORAGE AREA - Thanks to the generosity of the Central Office - we have a dedicated storage area for our massive marching band / indoor props for the year. This is located in the old bus garage area (not the new building)

7. Hosting Winter Guard State Prelims/Percussion State Prelims/ISSMA Concert organizational : We have been selected to HOST THREE MAJOR contests for the state of Indiana – Color Guard association State Prelims (March 14, 2020) and Indoor Percussion State Prelims (March 21, 2020), AND ISSMA Concert Organizational Contests April (2020).

8. Community Day / Parent Preview: This was held AUGUST 25TH at 7:00PM in our Stadium. We had a few food vendors (bravo) as well as cupcakes, face painting, and our our DC Booster concessions. Overstock (older) band and guard shirts were on sale as well. It was great to see so many parents join us on the field and enjoy the beginning of our competition show!



9. BAND FEES ARE DUE! Just a reminder to keep up on your payments – PAYMENT SCHEDULE IS ON THE CHARMS CALENDAR. THE 4RD PAYMENT IS DUE!!

10. Medical Forms / paperwork is past due: PLEASE NOTE –Please make sure you have all of the forms completed. We will post a list of students who still need to turn these in at rehearsals!

13. MANDATORY FUNDRAISER - SNAP Fundraising has begun! This campaign was kicked off yesterday with the students. We are asking that each member send 20 emails (or text messages / facebook profiles. Security is a top concern for this company and none of this information will be sold or reused in anyway possible!



14. GOLF SCRAMBLE - We had a great time at the Golf outing thanks to Sean and his many helpers. A total of nearly \$1700 was profited from this enjoyable day of golf! We want to grow this event in the future so please help us promote this event next summer.

15. Performance schedule - We have published our performance schedule! Please help to get the word out about the following contests:

DCHS - Contest of Champions Sept. 7th
Greenwood - Sept. 21
Penn - Sept. 28 (Northern Indiana - Mishawaka)
BOA - At Ball State - Oct. 5
Center Grove - Oct. 12
Regionals - ?? - Oct. 19
Whiteland - Oct. 26
Semi- State - Ben Davis - Nov. 2 / State Finals Nov. 9 at Lucas Oil



16. **Sign up to help in the concession stand**...we have the opportunity to make a lot of money but it will take A LOT OF PEOPLE to work the events during the DCHS / DMS season!

17. **Concert Bands / Jazz Bands** - we are off to a great start with our classes! We have some AWESOME KIDS at DCHS!! Thank you parents!

18. **Upcoming Mattress sale** - in November! Stay tuned (and wait to buy that new mattress)

19. **Senior banners will be in soon** - thanks to Sean and Holly for getting these photos done!

20. DCHS Strategic Plan - We are updating our mission statement / Core Values and Vision statement and we are excited to share this with all of you very soon!

21. **Dr. Tim Leadership clinic!** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pUsMKwiQFFI>
<https://vimeo.com/156888044>