

DECATUR CENTRAL BAND/GUARD BOOSTER MEETING

September 19, 2019 6:00pm



Director's Report – Tim Cox – Upcoming events:

1. 8th grade BAND NIGHT: We hosted a GREAT group of 8th graders last week as a way to introduce the DMS students to HS band. Allowing the middle school students to play alongside us during the pre-game and watch the Halftime show. All 8th graders received a free 2019 band t-shirt and a meal with their HS section. We are looking to build our band numbers and this is a great event for them.

2. Senior Bios are needed: Thanks to our Team Leaders we have started to collect the senior info (**short Bio and Picture**) for the upcoming "Senior Night" football game. Students will then be announced with their parents and congratulated for their years of participation.



3. Band Pictures – Pictures will be taken on Oct. 17th after the 9am-5pm practice– this is mandatory for all members and is different from the Senior Pictures!

4. Semi Drivers / Box truck: Our band uses a Semi and several box trucks to get to contests. This is a blessing for us and we are so thankful that we have volunteers – if you know others that can help, please let us know! We will always need back up drivers!!

5. CONTEST of CHAMPIONS 2019: **WOW!!** WHAT A DAY!! Thanks to the many volunteers and our team leader –Gwen Spice-Winderlich for her leadership! The teamwork, professionalism, and dedication from our Band Boosters was (is) amazing. As a Director, I have so much to be thankful for. Thanks for believing in this contest and your band and guard! We had hundreds of compliments throughout the day. Our band/guard also LOOKED and SOUNDED great – thanks to the many boosters who helped us get into uniform for this year!!



6. CLASS C SEMI STATE HOSTING Nov. 2nd 10am – 7pm with 20 bands! Please sign up to help us host this event! Nov. 2nd!

7. PRIVATE LESSON PROGRAM – Led by Mr. Zach Crowder – our wonderful associate band director! Under his leadership we will begin our 3rd year of a Private Lesson program. This is the SINGLE biggest investment you could make in your child to improve them as a musician / guard

member. Our large group instruction is fantastic, but individual attention (1 on 1) is always helpful. We encourage you to check this out. We have secured staff for EACH Instrument!

8. PENN Trip: *We are making our longest rip of the season in a few weeks. We are going North to see some of the fine bands from that region as we look towards regionals. We will be practicing at Plymouth HS that day in Plymouth, IN. We hope to be able to use their stadium that day. We will be EATING at this location and have this meal provided by the Band Boosters. We will need lots of help this day and hop that you can all join us. IT WILL BE A LATE NIGHT as we perform at 9:30pm / Awards will be about 10:30pm. We expect to be home about 2:00am.*
*** CO OP TICKETS on sale HERE Feel free to buy your ticket from us for \$6.00. We get to keep \$3 from each ticket sold!**



9. Bands of America MUNCIE / Ball State / Regional: We are attending "BOA" Regional on Oct. 5th. I will have a lot of info to pass along so stay tuned to your Email. There are 26 bands in Prelims and we are 18th and perform at 1:30pm Finals will happen this same day (top 10). This will be a LONG DAY – and we will need parent help! We will plan on having Dinner (Box lunch style) –and attending finals regardless of the scores! Please LOOK AND READ THE INFO when it come out. We encourage you to look at the www.musicforall.org website to get tickets. Please know that BOA sets the price – They are expensive tickets (renting a stadium is not cheap). Chaperones and field parents will get in FOR FREE to PRELIMS (and finals if we make it).

10. Marching Band T-SHIRTS: The 2019 Marching Show shirts were (are) a hot item. Thanks for supporting your students! Our 2nd order should be wrapping up very soon **(TONIGHT)**. Visit www.dchsbands.org for more info.

11. Band Uniforms: WOW!!!! THANKS PARENTS for all the hard work / volunteer hours / We look GREAT!!

12. Dr. Tim – leadership clinic – We host one of the BIGGEST clinics in the Midwest...this year we had 264 students! We also made \$1300 as he allowed us to do the registration part of things!

13. Marching Band Props: Thanks to ALL the parents who have painted, built, and made our props!!! **AMAZING JOB!!!! WOW WOW WOW!!!**

14. Website: The band Web site is www.dchsbands.org – David Bex has done a GREAT JOB with UPDATE of this site – it is always updated, so please look there for all new band info! Please take a few minutes to view it. Mark it as a "favorite"!!

15. BACK GROUND CHECKS ARE MANDATORY AND MUST BE DONE TO BE AROUND ANY OF OUR STUDENTS!!

16. Concessions: WE ARE rocking! THANKS to our parents – a new menu – and no food truck!
ENCOURAGE and be positive while in the community!

17. Need for Medical / Personal supplies for band contest / contests

18. Committee REPORTS:

19. Open