

Port Chester High School Band

The Pride of Port Chester



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September 1st
Band Season
Debut 7:00 PM
Crawford Park
"Phantom of the
Opera" show

Meetings General
September 13
7:30 PM

BAND CAMP

Band Camp will be held for two weeks again this year. The first week will be for the entire band (winds, percussion and guard) from August 22nd through August 26th from 9:00AM to 1:00 PM at the High School. The second week will be at Crawford Park from August 29th through September 1st from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM for the FULL BAND - WINDS, PECUSSION and COLOR GUARD. This week will conclude on THURSDAY evening with a 7:00 PM performance for all family and friends.

These two weeks are ABSOLUTELY MANDATORY. We cannot have any excuses due to the extensive marching show that needs to be learned. It is crucial that each of you makes a total commitment and dedicated effort to practice and learn your music prior to camp.

The week following Band Camp will start our regular Tuesday and Thursday evening rehearsals AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Also, we will perform at all PCHS home football games with Full Band. Attendance at these games is MANDATORY!

THINGS TO BRING TO BAND CAMP

- 1) Wear appropriate summer clothing
- 2) Baseball caps/hats
- 3) Sun glasses and sun block
- 4) Lunch and plenty of drinks
- 5) Rain gear, we will practice in the rain
- 6) Instruments, music and portable music stand

NO STUDENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE CAMP FOR ANY REASON UNLESS A PARENT SENDS A SIGNED NOTE!

PS: Please bring your permission slip to band camp. If you need a copy please print one from the band WEB site!

BOOSTER DRIVE AUGUST 28th, 2005

Our annual Booster Drive will kick off at 9:30 AM and last till 2:00 PM. This is our major fundraiser and helps kick off the marching band season in the Port Chester / Rye Brook communities. Please plan to have your child attend. **All band and color guard members are required to partake in this drive.**

BOOSTER DRIVE: CAR DRIVERS NEEDED!

We need Booster Day volunteer parent car drivers on August 28th to drive and escort band and color guard members from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Please email your name and phone number if you can help. If you have already signed up, please reconfirm with an email or contact Maggi Rende 937-4596.

Email to: BAND@PORTCHESTERHIGHSCHOOLBAND.ORG

PCHS MARCHING BAND, COLOR GUARD AND CONCERT BAND UNIFORMS

MARCHING BAND

The Port Chester High School Marching Band uniform modeled after the British Royal Marine uniform is a major part of scoring in competitions and parades. Each band member will be issued a uniform, which consists of a jacket, pants, belt, helmet and sashes. Band members are responsible for keeping the uniform clean and pressed at all times. In addition, each band member will be responsible for providing the following accessories, a must, to complete the full uniform: **black socks, white gloves and Dinkles "The Formal," style 607 black patent leather shoes.**

Remember, to achieve the highest possible score, it is imperative that all band members look alike in uniform. Even one missing part of the uniform could mean the difference between first and second place. Band members will be in their shoes for long periods of time, long parades and in all kinds of weather. So, keep in mind when purchasing your shoes that they are comfortable and roomy enough to accommodate your feet with extra pairs of socks on.

Marching shoes and white gloves can be purchased at the following two stores. (Buy extra white gloves)

Gloves

Levine's Army and Navy
Main Street
Port Chester, NY
914-939-2483

Shoes

Dinkels Shoes
1-888-DINKLES
www.DINKLES.COM
or visit **Band Web**
site for additional info

COLOR GUARD

The Color Guard will also be issued uniforms and will be responsible for special accessories. The Color Guard Director will provide details during the summer practices on items needed.

CONCERT BAND

Concert Band members will be responsible for the following Attire:

Girls

Girls are responsible for Contessa Blouse and Symphony Concert Skirts. You can order them from Tuxedo Wholesalers at 1-800-828-2802. Please place your orders early because it will take a few weeks before you receive the blouse and skirt.

Boys

Boys are responsible to wear a white tux shirt, black bow tie and black jacket pants. Ridge Squire in the Rye Ridge Shopping Center does sell used tuxes and shirts that will work out fine

AD Journal Fundraiser

The Ad Journal along with the Patrons, Booster and Alumni is one of our major fundraiser for the year. Please do not delay; turn in your ads as soon as they are sold. Do not save them until the September 30 deadline. As of today, all covers have been sold. Visit the band WEB site for additional Ad Journal forms.

Band Recycling

Collection of deposit cans and bottles will be held on Sunday, August 14 & 28, from 10 AM to noon PCHS Parking lot. All band members are asked to attend a minimum of 2 recycling services per band year. All others who wish to volunteer are welcome.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Help support the PCHS Band Association and become a member. Have a say in the way your fundraising is spent. **Dues are \$7.00 for a single membership and \$10.00 for a family.** All Alumni and friends of the band are also welcomed to join. Remember only parents or guardians of Band and Color Guard members can vote on issues and elect the Executive Board. Call Dena Giorgi today at 939-5370 to join or see us September 01, at Crawford Park prior to the

September 17 PCHS BAND 1st competition

Bryan McMahan, H.S. Norwalk, CT.
Reservations now being accepted for the parents and spectator bus for this and future trips.

Bus Monitors need. If you are interested in volunteering to escort the band on road trips as a bus monitor, please contact Domenic Carriero at 937-9087 or email Band@Portchesterhighschoolband.org

PCHS Band Home Competition Volunteers

needed. We are requesting all parents plan to help at our biggest fundraiser, on September 25. We are asking everyone to donate 2 twelve packs of soda or one 24-35 case of water. We'll be contacting everyone in the next few weeks for other items needed for this event.

Band Clothing will be on sale at Crawford Park, Sept. 01 and at the PCHS Band Home Competition on Sept. 25. Or you can contact Sue Pilke 937-3272.