

**2018-19**  
**BHS 9<sup>th</sup> Grade &**  
**10-12 Marching Band:**

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Welcome to the beginning of another successful year in the BHS Band program! As the summer slips by, our attention will turn to the fall marching band season. Please take note of the dates for all summer/fall band events listed in this document. Attendance at these rehearsals and performances is essential. In order to participate, there are a few items that ALL students will need:

1. BLACK long-wristed cotton gloves (\$10) and BLACK "Drillmasters" marching shoes. (\$40) These can be ordered at either Griggs or West Music. Both items are needed by picture night, August 20<sup>th</sup>.
2. Marching lyre and flip folder. (approx. \$15 – depends on instrument) These can also be purchased from Griggs or West Music and are needed for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade rehearsals. Lyres for school owned instruments will be provided.
3. Please download and begin practicing your music for the marching band at:

<https://sites.google.com/a/bettendorf.k12ia.us/bhsband/home>.

You will need your student Google login info to access this page. Music will be available online mid-July.

4. A calendar of all summer/fall events is included. Bands that will be performing at each event are listed in parentheses. In general, the 9<sup>th</sup> grade band will be performing pregame for home football games and marching with the full band in all parades. The 10-12 Marching Band will perform at all events unless otherwise noted. Please get these on your family calendar ASAP!

Additional information will be sent to parents in August.

## **Other Important Band Information:**

### **Bettendorf 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade:**

Rehearsals are July 2-3 from 6-8pm in the BHS band room. Performance is at 10am on July 4<sup>th</sup>. This is an important public relations event for our band and it is vital that we are well represented. (This means incoming freshmen too!) Please make every effort to attend the rehearsals and performance. We need everyone's help to have a quality performance while representing our school and community.

### **Fall Spirit Card Fundraiser**

All band students will be participating in the Bettendorf Fall Spirit Card sale this year. This it will be a great opportunity to help raise money for the program and students will have the ability to win prizes such as personalized Bettendorf gear. The discount cards cost \$25 and include hundreds of dollars in local business savings. Our sale kickoff event will take place on the first day of camp.

### **Camp Dates:**

#### **Color Guard/All Percussion**

July 30-August 2 (6-9pm)

#### **Competition Marching Band (grades 10-12)**

Aug 6-9 & 13-16 (5-9pm)

#### **Freshmen & New Students**

August 13-14 (12-3pm)

These camps will be devoted to learning fundamental marching skills and preparing our fall season. Attendance is required. The competition band will be learning both music and drill from the first day of camp again this year. Freshman will be introduced to marching skills used for pregame and parade marching, as well as music rehearsal. Wear comfortable athletic shoes; bring water to stay hydrated, as well as your lyre/flip folder for music rehearsals.

### **Need More Information?**

Visit the following webpage:

<http://www.bettmusicdepartment.com/>

This resource will be updated throughout the summer to include important information about all band events and activities.

Contact a director:

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