

07-03-18 Summer Notes

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Three Beginner Fitting Dates –

Encourage potential members to call director for a fitting appointment.

July 9, **RECENTLY ADDED 7/16**, August 28 and September 10 at the Borow house

July 6 – Friday 9am -9pm, Concert Senior and Symphonic Audition Music Release

Music must be picked-up ONLY THIS DAY

NOTE: Junior band members should NOT COME on 7/6.

They have no music to pick-up.

The Junior audition comes entirely from the Essential Elements book.

See the Junior audition requirements

July 15 – Sunday – West Chicago Railroad Days **Parade**

July 16 – Monday, 7pm, Winter Trimester Booster jobs released, first come first served

July 25 – Wednesday – DuPage County Fair, **Grand Opening**

July 28 – Saturday – Streamwood Summer Celebration **Parade**

August 1 – Wednesday 9-**5pm** note earlier end time. All Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic **Audition videos are due. IMPORTANT:** Auditions received after **5pm** on August 1 will be considered late and you will be placed at the end of the roster for your instrument. **2018-2019 Winter Registration Forms are also due on this date. Late fees apply after this date.**

GENERAL NOTES

ATTENTION PARADE DRESS CODE ISSUES

At our first parade in Geneva there were some dress code violations that prohibited participants from marching, which was very unfortunate. Various dress code violations applied to both new people and also to experienced marchers. There were issues especially with shirts, pants and shoes. Be sure to review the complete dress code found on Summer Marching and realize you may not be allowed to march if you are found in violation of the dress code.

SUMMER BOOSTER JOB OPENINGS

The following jobs are still open a/o 7/3. Sign-up at [Booster Sign-up Schedule](#)

July 15, West Chicago – 1 adult banner assistant, 1 adult flag bearer, 2 Patriot auxiliary, 2 Summer safety marshals

July 28, Streamwood – 2 adult banner assistants

REMINDERS FROM MARCHING CAMP

1. **NO INSTRUMENT CASES** - Do not bring your instrument case to the start of any parade. Only bring your assembled, "ready to play" instrument, lyre and flip-folder, when you are dropped off at our designated staging/line-up location. Nothing can be left behind when the band steps off.

2. **PONCHOS** - Only CLEAR ponchos, no colors. Get one now before you need it. Know that ponchos make people even hotter so you might get overheated quicker if we have to wear ponchos.
3. **FEELING SICK?** - In the event you feel sick, raise your hand. Your rank leader then raises their hand. Patriot Auxiliary will come to help and escort sick person to the van.
4. **WATER** - No water is provided but you may bring your own water. ALL STRAPS MUST BE WHITE since they go across the shirt. Use a white lanyard-like strap or even a piece of white rope. Disposable, clear water bottles are fine, but should have an easy, pop-open sport cap, with no screw cap to mess with. Otherwise your water container must be solid and match the color of where it will hang – **white, red or black** for over the shirt, cummerbund, or pants. It should also have a pop-up straw and not require two hands.
5. **TAPE MUSIC PAGES** - Tape the ends of each flip-folder page so the music doesn't blow out in the wind and have a rubber band to keep the pages in place.
6. **SHOE LACES** - Double knot shoe laces before marching.
7. **MARCHING DRESS CODE**
BOTTOMS ATTENTION: Due to the changing fads in women's pants towards revealing, form-fitting leggings, the marching dress code is now more specific: Both men and women are now officially required to wear "trouser-style" dress pants. Parents, please help us maintain a military, uniform look to our band by providing the proper style pants for your children. Also remember that the band has black pants you can borrow. Email Mrs. Borow if you want to use band pants. Black conservative "trouser-style" dress pants. No tight-fitting, denim/jeans, low-rise, or Capri-style pants. Girls have the option of wearing a conservative, modest, below the knee or longer skirt, with only small slits if necessary. No denim or leather. See more information regarding skirts on Summer Marching.

For complete Marching Dress Code information see our Summer Marching webpage.