

# RHHS Band Parent Information Meeting

August 27, 2021 7:00pm



# RHHS Band Boosters

- RHHS Band Boosters is a volunteer organization and a component of RHHS Music Boosters, a 501(C)(3) tax-exempt non-profit corporation that supports the music ensembles at River Hill
- Objectives:
  - Stimulate student, parent, and community interest and participation in the RHHS band program
  - To promote fundraisers and events for the continued operation of the RHHS band program
  - To promote mutual cooperation between the RHHS administration, its component groups, and the RHHS music programs (band, orchestra, chorus, and guitar).
- Meetings:
  - The RHHS Band Boosters meet the first Tuesday of every month at the school. Please come join us!
- Website:
  - <http://www.riverhillmusic.org>

# Executive Board

- President: Julie Passamonti
- Vice-President: Radhika Wijetunge
- Secretary: Nicole Pilevsky
- Treasurer: Yong Li



# Hoping for the best....

We are planning for a more “normal” year but realize that circumstances and decisions beyond our control can change any of the information we are providing today.

# Committees

- Marching Band Assistant:  
Nancy McAllister
- Marching Band Meals:  
Kathie Blackman, Radhika Wijetunge,  
Rachel Glaros, Apple Chapman
- Marching Band Equipment:  
Savita/Rahul Jain, Marina Chernova,  
Jen/Ray Fettterolf
- Marching Band Uniforms:  
Cristi Stark, Radhika Wijetunge, Ulrike  
Thompson, Nancy McAllister, Katy  
Karkowski, Leslie Liu, Jeannine Ballou,  
Audrey Fernandes, Alice Liu, Sara Bi
- Pep Band Coordinator:  
Ulrike Thompson
- Spirit Wear: Sophia Lin, Yu Qian
- Concert Wear: OPEN
- Hospitality: OPEN
- Photographer: Albert Lin
- Audio/Visual Recording: OPEN
- Webmaster: OPEN
- Music Boosters Liaison:  
Ulrike Thompson
- Senior Special Events: OPEN
- Senior Scholarship: Radhika Wijetunge
- Nominating: OPEN
- Fundraising - General: OPEN
- Fundraising - Make Music Happen:  
Apple Chapman
- Fundraising - Pie Sale - OPEN

# Marching Band Performance Night Schedule

- 2:15 - 3:15 Rehearsal in stadium
- 3:15 - 4:45 Free Time
  - Students will technically be with Mr. Blackman for an after-school activity. Students will need a signed note from a parent to be able to leave the fine arts wing of the building
- 4:45 - 5:30 Dinner (bring or purchase from boosters)
  - Whether students purchase a booster meal or not, Mr. Blackman would like for them to eat dinner at school so that they are all together and ready to get dressed after dinner
- 5:30 - 6:00 Put on uniforms and get ready
- 6:00 - 6:20 Warmup
- 6:20 - 6:30 Line up in parade formation by the loading dock
- 6:30 March to stadium for pre-game show

# Marching Band Performance Nights

- Students should wear marching band shirts to school on home game Fridays
- Students may not wear anything over the marching band uniform
  - Wear compression shorts and marching band shirts underneath in warm weather
  - Add thermal underwear and/or additional clothing when it gets cold
- Students may not bring anything other than instruments and equipment to the stadium
  - Phones must remain in the band room
- NO food is allowed while in uniform
- Students will be given bottles of water when they are seated in the stands after pre-game performance
- Students may pick up a snack after changing out of uniform after the game
- Boosters request donations of bottled water and individually wrapped nut-free snacks
  - Water and snacks are left over from families who donated to the MASCB fundraiser, and will update the volunteer signup as we need more.

# Marching Band Meals

- Students may choose to purchase dinners provided by the band boosters on marching band performance days. All meals will include a catered boxed meal, lemonade cans /water bottles, and individually packaged snacks.
  - 9/3 - Panera - sandwich, chips, pickle, and cookie
  - 9/24 - Bertucci's - pizza, salad, and cookie
  - 10/11 - Qdoba - burrito, tortilla chips, salsa, and brownie
  - 10/18 - Chick-fil-a - chicken sandwich/nuggets/salad, chips, fruit cup, and cookie
  - 10/29 - Famous Dave's - sandwich or black bean burger with mac & cheese and beans
- The meal prices have unfortunately increased from past years because the individually boxed meals are more expensive. We decided to do boxed meals this year for safety reasons.
- Meals will need to be purchased through the Charms Online Store 2 weeks prior to the meal date
- A Google Order Form will be sent to all students who have purchased a meal 2 weeks prior to the meal date. The Order Form will need to be submitted out no later than 1 week prior to the meal date (except for the 1st game).
- If there are any questions or any special dietary concerns, please contact Kathie Blackman at [kkblackman@comcast.net](mailto:kkblackman@comcast.net).





# Pep Band

- Student led group that attends away football games
  - Play tunes in the stands
  - Play fight song when the football team scores
- Students can sign up prior to each away football game
- Students meet at RHHS band room to rehearsal at 5:00
- Parents and students provide transportation for students and equipment
- Students get 3rd quarter free time to get food from snack bar and/or to socialize with other students
- Ulrike Thompson is our Pep Band Parent Coordinator who will accompany the pep band to the away games



# Jackets/Pride Wear

- Band Jackets (optional)
  - Zip-up windbreaker type jackets personalized with the name, instrument, and year of graduation
  - Jackets cost is \$70 (sold at cost)
  - The jacket can be purchased through the Charms Online Store through September 23. All students who purchase will receive a form to submit the personalization information
- Pride Wear
  - We have added all inventory with the current logo to the Charms Online Store and will be adding “vintage” items
  - Directions to access the Charms Online Store are on the band booster website
  - Items will be sold at band concerts and events
- Email [rhhs.band.pridewear@gmail.com](mailto:rhhs.band.pridewear@gmail.com) with any questions.



# Concert Wear

- We will hold off on introducing our new concert wear until we see how the beginning of the school year goes
- The first formal concert is the Prism Concert scheduled for Saturday, October 30

# Fundraisers

- Make Music Happen

- A direct donation program to help support band activities and enhance the music education of our children
- A tax receipt is issued for all donations received
- Donation forms are available tonight and on the band booster website: <https://rhhsband.wixsite.com/boosters/make-music-happen>
- Donations can be submitted through PayPal on the website or by check made out to “RHHS Music Boosters - Band”



- Harris Teeter Together in Education

- Link your card to our enrollment code 7149
- Must enroll yearly beginning August 1
- RHHS Band Boosters will receive a percentage of your Harris Teeter brand purchases



- Amazon Smile

- Click on the logo on the band booster website home page to start shopping
- Amazon will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to the RHHS Music Boosters.



- Restaurant Fundraisers

- Pie Sale

- Music Booster Pie Sale In October/November.
- Our biggest fundraiser of the year!



- A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped to make our MASCB meal fundraiser successful. We raised almost \$1300 for the RHHS band

# RHHS Band Booster Website

<http://www.riverhillmusic.com>

## NEWS



**Final Marching Band Update!**  
Mr. Slackman ✓  
Aug 14



**Marching Band Update #6**  
Mr. Slackman ✓  
Aug 9



**Marching Band Update #5**  
Mr. Slackman ✓  
Aug 2



**Marching Band Update #4**  
Mr. Slackman ✓  
Jul 26

## UPCOMING DEADLINES

**8/19/21** Order Marching Band Shoes and Gloves from the Online Store

**8/25/21** Order Marching Band Meal for 1st performance night (9/3)  
More information is [HERE](#) and in Online Store for ordering Marching Band Shoes, Gloves, and Meals.  
Information is [HERE](#) for how to access the Online Store

**9/23/21** Deadline for ordering RHHS Band jacket. More information is in the Online Store

## HELP! VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Please Join Us!**

The volunteer sign up has been updated to include specific days and times to support **marching band activities** on marching band performance nights. We need many parents to help out on here

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**24 AUG** RHHS Marching Band Camp  
Tuesday, August 24, 2021  
4:00pm-9:00pm  
River Hill High School, 12101 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville, MD 21029, USA  
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**25 AUG** RHHS Marching Band Camp  
Wednesday, August 25, 2021  
4:00pm-9:00pm  
River Hill High School, 12101 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville, MD 21029, USA  
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**26 AUG** RHHS Marching Band Camp  
Thursday, August 26, 2021  
4:00pm-9:00pm  
River Hill High School, 12101 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville, MD 21029, USA  
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**27 AUG** RHHS Marching Band Camp  
Friday, August 27, 2021  
4:00pm-8:30pm  
River Hill High School, 12101 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville, MD 21029, USA  
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**27 AUG** Marching Band Parent Back to Band Meeting  
Friday, August 27, 2021  
7:00pm-8:00pm  
RHHS Band Room

# Event Calendar

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Today ◀ ▶ August 2021 ▼ Print Week Month Agenda ▼

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Aug 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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				2:30pm Marching Band		

+ Google Calendar

- Click on + sign to add to download to your Google calendar

# Marching Band Needs

- We need lots of parent help in order for our marching band performances to be successful
  - Equipment
    - Help move equipment to and from the field before and after the football game, and on and off the field before and after the pre-game and halftime show
      - If you are interested, please meet with Mr. Blackman on the practice field following the performance
    - Help move coolers with water bottles to and from the field, and distribute to the students during the game
  - Meals - Help set up, serve, and clean up marching band dinners
  - Uniforms
    - Help with uniforms before and after the game
    - Help with plumes after the halftime show
  - Concession stand
    - Help in the concession stand during the 1st and 2nd half (can watch the halftime show!)
- The link to the volunteer/donation signup is on the band booster website under “Volunteer” at <http://www.riverhillmusic.org>



# We need your help!

- Volunteer signup genius link for the year on website home page
  - Will update through the year
- All families that do not hold a board or committee position are asked to please sign up for a couple slots through the year!
- Upcoming needs:
  - Marching Band Performance nights - help with meals, uniforms, equipment, and snacks
  - Audio/Visual - record indoor and outdoor performances
  - Concert Wear

<b>Marching Band Uniforms: Collect Plumes</b> Following the national show, help is needed to collect the plumes from the band members and put them in boxes. The time is an estimate, and the help is needed starting just after the halftime show.	09/03/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Football Stadium	8:10pm - 8:40pm	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	09/24/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Football Stadium	8:10pm - 8:40pm	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	11/06/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Football Stadium	8:10pm - 8:40pm	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	11/22/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Football Stadium	8:10pm - 8:40pm	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	11/29/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Football Stadium	8:10pm - 8:40pm	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
<b>Marching Band Equipment</b> Move equipment to stadium with band, move equipment off track after game, on and off field at halftime, help with plumes after halftime, move equipment to band room after game, clean up stands where band sits. You WILL see performance!	09/03/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Band Room & Stadium	5:30pm - 9:30pm (5)	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	09/24/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Band Room & Stadium	5:30pm - 9:30pm (5)	1 of 5 slots filled AC Apple Chapman <a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	11/06/2021 (Fri)	RHHS Band Room & Stadium	5:30pm - 9:30pm (5)	1 of 5 slots filled AC Apple Chapman <a href="#">Sign Up</a>
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<b>Concession Stand</b> Stand boosters provide help to refresh boosters in the concession stand. The time slots are approximate and	09/03/2021 (Fri)	Stadium concession stand	6:30pm - 8:00pm	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
			8:10pm - 9:30pm	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>



# Volunteer Needs

- Marching Performance Dates
  - meals - set up, serve, clean up
  - equipment - move on and off the field and to band room
  - uniforms
  - water and snack donations
- Concert Wear
  - assist families with ordering process
  - help with issues prior to performances
- Audio/Visual
  - Record indoor and outdoor performances
- Webmaster
  - Website improvements
  - Keep website up-to-date
- Restaurant Fundraisers - October, January, March, and May
  - Contact restaurant to set up a fundraiser
- Pie Sale Fundraiser -October/November
  - Coordinate orders and distribution of pies with music boosters
- Senior Special Events
  - Coordinate and purchase flowers for marching band senior night
  - Coordinate and purchase flowers for spring concert
- Hospitality Committee
  - 8th grade auditions - sign in students and answer questions
  - Band Banquet - coordinate and help set up
  - Ice Cream Social after Multigenerational Concert concert - set up, serve ice cream, and clean up
- Nominating Committee
  - Nominate next year's board members

Thanks for attending!

We hope to see you at our next  
booster meeting on Tuesday,  
September 14 at 7:30!

