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East Bands Weekly Update 9/5-9/11

Hello East Bands Family,

I hope everyone had a good weekend and all of the members enjoyed the downtime with an extra 2 days of no classes. It was a well timed short break as we are making a big push with the marching band show over the next 2 weeks.

We do have one pressing issue that we need to bring everyone's attention to. Paulding Meadows is a huge fundraiser for us and requires a lot of hands to make work. In order for us to continue to have a booth and make money from the festival we are required to provide gate workers and parking workers. At this time we are **48 Volunteers Short** of meeting our requirements and only 5 days out from the festival. Gate workers must be adults since they are handling money but, parking workers can be students or family members as well. If we do not meet the requirements and fill these spots each year we risk losing our food booth and the funds that we make off of the gate.

Each year we ask leadership members and seniors to take a shift during the day to help out. Since we are so far under the numbers needed we are at a point that we need anyone and everyone that can help to please do so for a shift. We do a lot of fundraisers each year to help the band program continue to move along in the way we have become accustomed to and must continue to in order to keep the fees affordable for everyone. Please sign-up and help out on Saturday!

Paulding Meadows Sign-up link

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084aada828a3f58-paulding1>

We are also still in need of large jars of **Dill Pickle Chips** and cases of **Capri Sun** for the band's booth at Paulding Meadows! We still have time but need to be able to determine if we need to make purchases prior to Friday. We have asked **each member** of the band to bring **at least one or both of those items**. Donations can be brought to the band room at any time and left on or under the table next to the director's office. We still need a lot of both of those items.

Weekly Reminders:

- Payments for concert band only members and members that are using school owned instruments were due on Monday, August 15. Both fees are \$50 each. If those fees have not been paid please make sure to pay them as soon as possible.
- The final payment for marching band members was due on Friday September 2.
- There is no Raider Rally this week due to the game being AWAY at PCHS.



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- Friday is a great opportunity to help the program and volunteer with the football game vs PC. Ineke will send out an email regarding what we need help with for away games.

Corporate Sponsorships

As sent out last week, we have extended the corporate fundraiser until **September 30**. All information regarding Corporate Sponsorships is available on the website and in the email that was sent out last week.

Please remember once a sponsorship has been secured please reach out to myself (jrobichaux@paaulding.k12.ga.us) and Alicia Clark (chezalica30@gmail.com) so that someone from East Bands can reach out to them to thank them and acquire any other information that we may need from them. Information is also available under the fundraising tab on the East Bands website. We will start announcing at halftime as soon as we have the sponsorship.

Paulding Meadows Performance and Volunteers

Paulding Meadows is coming up soon on September 10-11! The East Paulding High School band will perform beginning at 11:00 am on Saturday. The East Bands food booth is in a prime location to be able to listen to and see your kids perform from while volunteering as well! This is a mandatory performance for all marching band members and following the performance, members can also help volunteer as well through the day as they have in the past. It is a good hang for the members and they usually have a good time helping work, it also is fun for them to interact with the parents and boosters that do so much for them and the program.

We will need parent volunteers for the gate, food booth, and parking. It is very important for us to be able to fill all of these positions as it is how we continue to get invited to have a booth and have the ability to collect off of the gate and parking throughout the event. If we can not supply enough adults for parking and gate we risk losing this fundraiser for the program. Please sign-up once Ineke Hudson send out information regarding this event.

Band Directors and students will not be required to have a ticket for entry, all others (parents, siblings over 12, friends, etc.) will be required to have an advance ticket (\$2.00) or pay at the gate (\$3.00). All parents, siblings, etc... can purchase tickets from us at East Bands in stead of paying more at the gate!



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District/ All State Honor Band

District and All State Etudes have been released and are available on the band website under the current members tab. Sign-up information will come as we get closer to the GMEA deadline for entries.

Band Fees

Please make sure you are staying current on band fees. All fee information is available at www.eastbands.com.

Marching Band:

- The final marching band payment of \$200 was due September 2 as well as final payments for color guard member are \$350 (new members) and \$250 (old members).
- For those students using school owned instruments there is a \$50 rental fee associated with those instruments and was due on August 15. This fee is used to help facilitate paying for repairs and normal wear and tear on those instruments. Music and Arts will come weekly on Wednesday (beginning in September) to make any repairs necessary.

Concert only members:

- Concert only members fee is \$50 and was due on August 15.
- Any concert only member using a school owned instrument is also responsible for the \$50 rental fee associated with that instrument. That fee was due on August 15.

This Week's Rehearsal Schedule (9/5 - 9/11)

Monday - Labor Day (off)

Tuesday - Marching Band Rehearsal 4pm - 7pm

Wednesday - Off

Thursday - Marching Band Rehearsal 4pm - 7pm

Friday - Football @ PCHS

Saturday - Paulding Meadows (see itinerary)

All rehearsals and performances are mandatory (including after school, Saturday rehearsals, and competitions). Please contact me about any possible conflicts via email as early as possible. Emails are the best way to communicate this for record keeping purposes. Please try to schedule doctors, orthodontist, etc... appointments on Wednesdays or on an off day.

Students will be fed this week on Friday following classes prior to call time of the away game.



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Away vs PCHS Itinerary

Friday, Sept 9, 2022

3:30 pm

Load Equipment Trailer

4:00 pm

Dinner

5:00 pm

Get Dressed

5:30 pm

Get On Bus

5:45pm

Depart

6:15 pm

Approx Arrival at Paulding County High School and unload immediately

7:00 pm

In Stands

7:30 pm

Kickoff

10:30 pm

Approx Departure

11:00 pm

Approx Arrival @ East Paulding HS
And Unload Semi/ Load 24' trailer



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Paulding Meadows Itinerary

Saturday, September 10, 2022

Earl Duncan Park at Paulding Meadows
472 Paulding Meadows Dr. Dallas, GA 30132

10:00am

Call-Time at Paulding Meadows

We will load the trailer following the game on Friday, September 9
Students are to wear their band show shirt, khaki shorts (no holes), and tennis shoes.

11:00am

Performance

11:45am

Approximate Completion of Performance

*Please plan on leaving early enough to allow plenty of time to get the members to the performance. Traffic is usually very bad and can back up.

*All equipment trailers, trucks, vehicles, etc. will be required to use the Northside Elementary School entrance. Band trailers and all other vehicles with equipment will be directed on State Route 61 (by deputies) to continue to the Northside School entrance. There will be directional lighted signs. We are also requiring all band students and their parents also use this entrance as well. Please do not use the main entrance.

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Next Week's Rehearsal Schedule (9/12 - 9/16)

Monday - Marching Band Rehearsal 4pm - 7pm, Booster Meeting 7pm

Tuesday - Marching Band Rehearsal 4pm - 7pm

Wednesday - Off

Thursday - Marching Band Rehearsal 4pm - 7pm

Friday - Football Home vs. South Paulding (8th Grade Night)

Saturday - Off

Marching Band Competition Schedule:

We have locked in our competition schedule and is as follows:

October 15 - Sprayberry High School

October 29 - Rockdale High School

November 5 - Newnan High School

* Performance times are normally released approx. 2 weeks prior to the performance.

Important Upcoming Dates (<https://www.eastbands.com/calendar>)

September 9 Football Away vs Paulding Co.

September 10 Paulding Meadows Performance: Time TBA (Mandatory for ALL Marching Band)

September 12 Booster Meeting

September 16 Football Home vs South Paulding

September 19-23 Fall Break (No Rehearsals)

September 30 Football Home vs Newnan

October 7 Football @ Hughes

October 8 All Day Rehearsal: 8am - 8pm (Mandatory for ALL Marching Band Members)

October 15 Sprayberry Competition (Mandatory, All day event)

October 21 Football Home vs Douglas Co.

October 28 Football @ New Manchester

October 29 Rockdale Competition (Mandatory, All day event)

November 4 Football vs Alexander

November 5 Newnan Competiton (Mandatory, All day event)

I hope everyone has had a great weekend, remember to sign up for Paulding Meadows! Thank you for your support of East Bands!

Josh Robichaux

Director of Bands

East Paulding High School