

Timberlane Regional High School Band

June 4, 2019

Dear Freshman students and parents,

Congratulations on graduating from the Middle School! We are looking forward to an exciting year and we are delighted to hear that you will be joining us. Our band has a long history of success and we are proud of our reputation.

In this packet we have included various letters, schedules, forms, and announcements that your child will need. Please look over the material carefully and help your child understand what he/she has received.

To continue on our road to success, we ask that you **PLEASE look over your music this summer! Work on playing all marching songs.** This will make your first marching season much easier and more enjoyable. The more you work on your music individually, the less time we have to waste working on it at Band Camp.

By joining the band you have become part of our family. We have a fun year prepared for you and Band Camp is just around the corner. At camp, you will learn our half-time show drill, marching and instrumental fundamentals, marching show music, and bleacher tunes. You will also have a great time. We hope that you are as excited as we are about the upcoming marching season.

We will be meeting during the summer to get you better acquainted with the section leaders and officers. Please remember to practice and learn the music! If you have any questions and or concerns, feel free to contact one of the Drum Majors. They are here to help you.

BAND CAMP

The band experience begins with our annual **Band Camp**. During August, we start putting together the music and drill in preparation for this year's football season. For freshman, a new skill is required. They must move and play simultaneously!! We are sure you can understand the challenge involved with this, and it is a skill that requires concentrated effort. Band Camp is **Monday, August 19th - Friday, August 23rd from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**. The TMA is responsible for all chaperoning duties and other logistics. This mandatory camp is an excellent opportunity for parents to become involved with the band and TMA. Our Band Camp **Chairpersons are Christine Collins, timberlanemusicassociation@gmail.com, and Sarah Machemer, sarah.machemer@gmail.com**. If you have any questions, need more information, or would like to volunteer feel free to contact either of them.

We are looking forward to seeing you in August. Have a great summer! See you at the **Freshman Fundamentals of Marching Night/Pizza Party, Thursday, August 15th, 2019, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM** in the High School Band Room. **You will be fitted for your marching band shoes that night.** We are looking forward to seeing you at Band Camp!!!

FOOTBALL GAMES



The band plays for football games both home and away and has enjoyed a wonderful relationship with the football team, cheerleaders and coaches. Performing at the football games, cheering the Timberlane athletes, taking the bus ride, and sharing in the camaraderie that develops characterizes the fun of being in band. **Chaperones are needed for all games.** Please go online to: www.timberlanemusic.org for further information.

DOVER BAND SHOW

The Timberlane Band's main event is held at the Dover High School on Saturday – October 19, 2019. Our students will perform with bands from all around New Hampshire. The band has been a regular at this annual event and looks forward to it each year. This event is undoubtedly the high point of the Marching Band season.



PRIVATE LESSONS

In order to do well on their instruments, we have a structured private lesson program for all musicians at the high school. The extra help with the more demanding high school music is available for all students through this program. Lessons are scheduled by the teachers and Kathleen Giacobbe, Music Department Secretary and are offered at the Performing Arts Center. An explanatory is included if you are interested in taking advantage of this program. For further information call Mrs. Giacobbe at 603-382-6541 x 3982 or email her at Kathleen.giacobbe@timberlane.net.

TMA

The Timberlane Music Association (TMA) is an integral part of the Timberlane Regional School District music program. This parent group supports the music program by coordinating chaperones for events, organizes trip material, oversees fund raising and student accounts, and sponsors our Awards Night to mention just a few things. The association meets regularly on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Performing Arts Center and is always looking for new members. **Being an active, supportive TMA member is a great way to help keep music alive and well in the Timberlane system.** Please join us at our first meeting on Tuesday, September 10, 2019.

A TRHS Band member is expected to do his/her best, contribute to the best of his/her ability, and have an attitude conducive to success. Band and music are among the most enriching and enjoyable activities available to our students. These experiences can be further enhanced by your active participation.

Please don't hesitate to call or email if you have any questions concerning the high school band program.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kenneth J. Clark". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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