

Subject: **Week 1 Update**
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Hi All,

Welcome to the first week of school! While a lot seems new about this week, we can take a bit of comfort in the familiarity of band. There is a lot of info in this email, but please read it all. I have put some wording in bold in each section to help you skim for info if you need to go back and check anything. Once we're in the swing of things with performances, email updates will be MUCH shorter. :) Here is your update for this Friday's game:

*Students **MUST** have pants hemmed (3 inches above the ground). They have been reminded of this in class as well. If you have uniform questions, please contact Mrs. Heston at eendicotth@aol.com.

*Please make sure all band members are wearing their white band shirt under their jacket. All band shirts that were ordered over the summer are in and will be distributed during class tomorrow (Wednesday). Any other shirt will result in a loss of points in inspection. This is because during the first couple of games where the temperature is warmer, students may be given the opportunity to sit in the stands at the game with their jacket off. When every student is wearing the Brush band shirt, we are still uniform.

*Students should report to the band room on Friday by 5:45. Doors will open at 5:30. (As a general rule - doors open for students 15 minutes before the required report time for every event.)

*Upon arrival, students will need to go through uniform inspection (located in the same room as registration over the summer). This inspection is worth 5 out of 15 points for the total grade for the evening.

*Students must have their music tested from memory in order to perform on the field for pregame and halftime. They have had opportunities to do this every day they have been at rehearsals since July 23. If a student still needs to test, they have two options. They may stay after school every day this week (except Friday) until 3:30 to practice/test, or they may email me a video of them testing. I require a video recording so that it is clear they are testing from memory.

*Now that ProgressBook is up and running, I will be uploading testing grades so you can keep track of your son/daughter's progress. This may take a couple of days because it is A LOT of info. If students have questions about what they have or have not successfully tested, they can ask me before or after class.

*Each football game starts at 7:00 pm. If you would like to catch pregame, make sure you're in your seat by 6:40.

*We are typically done with home games around 9:30. I appreciate your efforts in making sure students are picked up in a timely manner. To assist with this, you may sign up for the Remind 101 list for marching band. These are messages sent as a text to you from me through an app. I will be using this form of communication to let you know about any last-minute changes to schedules, and when we will arrive at Brush following away events. To sign up, simply text @brushbands to (440) 368-0184. You will be asked for your name via a reply text. Once you send your name, you should get a message

confirming that you are successfully signed up.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you, and I'm looking forward to seeing you at our first performance!

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