

# Linganore High School Lancer Band Program

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May 15, 2012

Dear Linganore Band Students and Parents,

Welcome to our incoming students and their families! We are happy to have you as part of our organization, and look forward to a great year for the band in our wonderful new building.

Our first meeting as a new band was held on April 28 and the new members got off to a great start. Our next two practices are on Thursdays, May 24 from 5:30-8, and again on May 31 from 5:30-8. Our Spring Mini-Camp will be on Saturday, June 9 from 8am-5pm. If you have a conflict on one of these dates, just email me at LancerBand@aol.com to let me know, but I expect everyone to attend for as much time as possible. These rehearsals are very important to our success in the fall.

During the May 24 rehearsal, our fantastic booster organization will host a parent orientation meeting and reception from 6:30-8. I sincerely hope you will consider getting involved with the boosters. Being an involved parent will enhance your relationship with your child and your ties to our school.

In addition to these rehearsals at the high school, middle school directors will be working with the fall band material in class with our 8th-grade students. Over the summer, students are expected to practice and memorize assigned warm-ups, the National Anthem, Patriots on Parade, and marching show music. Recordings of our fall show music will be posted on our web site and may be downloaded at your convenience, and I encourage the students to practice with them. We may be scheduling some rehearsals over the summer, and if so, those dates will be announced in June. Students will be expected to attend these practices if they are in the area, but we respect that family vacations and other activities may mean that all students may not be able to attend every rehearsal between our final Mini-Camp date on June 9 and our August Band Camp. It is always important that you e-mail me or provide a note regarding any conflicts.

Our Band Camp will be held on the campus of Linganore High School on Old Annapolis Road. Camp will run July 30 – August 3 and August 6 – August 10 from 8am-6pm (8am-8pm on August 10 with a parent showcase at 7pm). On August 2, we will travel to Libertytown after band camp for their evening Firemen's Carnival Parade. Band camp is critical rehearsal time, and everyone needs to be there. Conflicts, if any, should be discussed with Mr. Lloyd and indicated on the enclosed commitment form. Students who miss any portion of Band Camp may not be prepared to march in our early season performances, at the director's discretion. For band camp, students should bring their instrument, music, pencil, comfortable shoes, a hat, sunscreen, a water jug and their lunch. Flip folders and lyres will be available for purchase at \$5 each. Flute players purchase a folder/lyre combination for \$10.

Students may participate in Marching Band and be involved with fall sports at Linganore. Band Camp is held prior to the official start of fall sports practices, which is August 15, so band must take priority during the first two weeks of August. More information about balancing band and fall sports will be available via e-mail and on our website.

One of the most important things you can do to stay on top of band info is to join our mailing list. Only you can place yourself on, or remove yourself from, this list. To join the band e-mail group, send an e-mail from your account to <a href="mailto:linganoreband-subscribe@yahoogroups.com">linganoreband-subscribe@yahoogroups.com</a>. To remove yourself from the list, send an e-mail from the same account to <a href="linganoreband-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com">linganoreband-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com</a>. If you have a spam blocker, be certain that it allows you to receive e-mails from this domain. E-mails that contain information for incoming students will begin May 28, so please join the list by then. Again, only you can add or remove yourself from our e-mail list.

You may also access band information through our web site, which is www.linganoreband.org. Here you will find updated schedules, fund raising information, important contacts, etc. If you do not have access to the internet, please indicate this on the Commitment Form so that we can be sure to contact you by phone or mail. To reach me, please email <a href="mailto:lancerband@aol.com">lancerband@aol.com</a> or <a href="mailto:kevin.lloyd@fcps.org">kevin.lloyd@fcps.org</a>. The band office phone number at LHS is 240.566.9827. Phone messages will be checked weekly over the summer.

Please see the schedule on the reverse and feel free to contact me with any questions. My staff and I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Kevin Lloyd, Director of Bands

## <u>Linganore High School Band – Fall 2012 Calendar Information</u>

Subject to Change

### Marching Band Rehearsal Schedule

Saturday, April 28 5:30-8:00 PM First Marching Band Rehearsal date including all Fall 2012 wind, brass,

percussion and color guard members. Plan to be outside. Bring your instrument, hat, comfortable shoes (no sandals or flip-flops), sunscreen,

hat, pencil, water jug.

Thursday, May 24 5:30-8:00 PM (including new parent reception and informational meeting 6:30-8)

Thursday, May 31 5:30-8:00 PM

Saturday, June 9 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM (bring lunch)

Any additional summer rehearsals will be announced in June.

#### BAND CAMP at LINGANORE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, July 30	8:00 AM- 6:00 PM	Pack lunch & snacks
Tuesday, July 31	8:00 AM- 6:00 PM	Pack lunch & snacks
Wednesday, August 1	8:00 AM- 6:00 PM	Pack lunch & snacks
Thursday, August 2	8:00 AM- 8:00 PM	Pack lunch & DINNER

Thursday, August 2 8:00 AM- 8:00 PM Pack lunch & **DINNER**- Libertytown Parade at 7:00 PM

Friday, August 3

8:00 AM- 6:00 PM

Pack lunch & snacks

Monday, August 6

Residue 8:00 AM- 6:00 PM

Pack lunch & snacks

Friday, August 10\* 8:00 AM- 8:00 PM Pack lunch & **DINNER**- Parent Showcase at 7:00 PM

\*We will have a parent ice cream social this day at 6:00 PM.

No band rehearsals the week of August 13.

Thursday, August 23 5:30-8:30 PM Regular Tues./Thur. evening rehearsals begin on 8/28/12 and continue through the end of marching season on November 10.

#### **Fall Marching Band Performance Schedule**

Thursday, August 2 Libertytown Fire Department Carnival Parade- 7:00 PM

**Home football games** games begin at 7:00 PM, band reports at 5:00 PM.

Friday, September 7 vs. Bethesda Chevy Chase

Friday, September 14 vs. Westminster

Friday, September 28 vs. Frederick (Homecoming) vs. Gov. Thomas Johnson

Friday, October 26 vs. Middletown (Band and Guard senior recognition, 8<sup>th</sup>-grade night)

#### Tentative competition and festival schedule for fall - times TBA\*

Saturday, September 22 Liberty HS Tournament of Bands (TOB) Competition

Saturday, September 29 No Competition / Homecoming Dance
Saturday, October 6 North Hagerstown HS TOB Competition
Saturday, October 13 Walkersville HS TOB Competition

Monday, October 15 Frederick County Marching Festival at Oakdale HS
Saturday, October 20 TOB Chapter Championships at South Hagerstown HS
Sunday, October 28 TOB Atlantic Coast Championships at Hershey Stadium, PA

Saturday, November 3 USBands Maryland State Class A Championships at Towson University USBands National Class A Championships at US Naval Academy

\*Important: Competition schedules on Saturdays are determined by our performance time, and usually include a 3-hour rehearsal, packing, dinner, travel, warm-up, show, awards and return home. A typical Saturday competition day begins in the early afternoon with a return around 11:30pm, but this is variable.

#### **Concert Band Rehearsal/Performance Schedule**

Tuesday after-school rehearsals for the Holiday Concert. All rehearsals 2:45 PM - 5:15 PM

Tuesday, November 13 Tuesday, November 27 Tuesday, November 20 Monday, December 3

### **Holiday Concert**

Tuesday, December 4, 7:00 PM (snow date: Tuesday, December 11)

### **Linganore High School Marching Band Commitment Form 2012**

Dear LHS Band Students and Parents,

Each year, a marching show is designed for Linganore using marching drill that is written for the exact number of students in our group. When the group number changes after the drill is written, it creates both an inconvenience to students, who must learn the adjusted drill, and an expense to the band organization, which may have to pay the drill writer for extra writing time. For this reason, we ask all students planning to participate in marching band to complete the following commitment form, which is due to Mr. Lloyd no later than Tuesday, June 5, 2012. Only students who submit a commitment form by the due date will be written into the marching drill.

This commitment form has been an effective tool in limiting, and in many years eliminating, the instances of number changes over the summer. Marching Band requires a commitment of time and energy, and families are requested to look carefully at the schedule before completing this form. Because these commitments have been honored in recent years, it has been unnecessary for us to require a financial deposit with this form, and we hope to be able to continue this practice.

In band, there is no such thing as "mandatory" and "non-mandatory" rehearsals. All students are expected to attend all practices and events. Every student is critical. We don't have extra players sitting on the bench who can substitute for you when you are not there. Students may, however, be excused from some rehearsals for reasons involving Linganore sports games (not club teams), unexpected conflicts, emergencies, and unique family events (such as weddings) at the discretion of the director.

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	Please print	t all information		
Student name (printed)		Grade (Fall 2	Grade (Fall 2012)	
Marching Instrument		Concert Instr	Concert Instrument	
Student Signature		Date	,2012	
If you plan to play a fall sp	ort at LHS, please list	it here		
Parent name(s) (printed)_				
Parent signature		Date	,2012	
Address		Phone		
Address City/State	Zip	Phone E-mail		
If you plan to participate but an a determination made as to who possible absence.	iticipate any conflicts, plea ether the student should p	se list them below. These	will be discussed with Mr. Lloyd list the conflict date and reason f	
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Submit this form to your middle school director or Mr. Lloyd by June 5, 2012 or FAX to 240.566.9701. If mailing, send to Kevin Lloyd, Linganore High School, 12013 Old Annapolis Road, Frederick, MD 21701.