



**PLAINFIELD CENTRAL  
MARCHING BAND  
PREVIEW NIGHT**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019  
PCHS AUDITORIUM, 7:00 PM**



# Staff Introductions

## Band Directors

Chris Vanderwall, Director of Bands  
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# Staff Introductions

## Band Booster Board

Becca Heye, President

Dawn Ruch, Vice President

Lynette Giertych, Treasurer

Jessica Jaszczak, Secretary

You can email the band booster board at [bbpchs@gmail.com](mailto:bbpchs@gmail.com) to reach any/all board members

# Staff Introductions

## Instructional Staff

Visual – Bennett Konstans

Drumline - Paul Kairis

Front Ensemble - Ciara Smith

Drumline Assistant - Ethan Wepfer

Front Ensemble Assistant - Dan Schmitt

Drumline & Front Ensemble Assistant - Christian Vasquez

Color Guard - Kelsey Arnony

High Brass - Jason Kehr

*Additional staff members are in the hiring process for dance, color guard, and wind instructors.*

# PCHS Marching Band



All students enrolled in either Wind Ensemble or Symphonic Band are, by School Board mandate, required to participate in Marching Band. The Wildcat Marching Band serves the community annually through performances at Plainfield's Memorial Day Service, Homecoming Parade, and PCHS home football games.

The Wildcat Marching Band performs a competitive-style show that equates more with a current-day Broadway musical than marching bands of the 1970's or 1980's. Depending on the year, this involves sound effects, props, or set pieces that are integral to telling the story of our show!

While many students perform on their primary (or only) instrument in our show, some other students have specific roles:

Drum Major – Student Conductors and the head of our Student Leadership Team

Drumline – Students marching on the field wearing/playing drums

Front Ensemble – Students playing stationary percussion instruments at the front of the field

Color Guard – Students performing with flags, rifles, sabres, or other props





# Wildcat Marching Band

## Marching Band Camp (July 29 – August 9)

- ✓ 12:00 – 9:00 PM, Monday through Friday
- ✓ Students learn all of our field drill for the *entire show*
- ✓ Vacations and other absences are not permitted during this time

*These dates were emailed to parents and students late fall of 2018  
Students who have purchased concert tickets should sell them for the dates they are committed to marching band camp. Family who've already planned vacations should reach out to me as soon as possible so we can set students up to succeed!*



# Wildcat Marching Band

## Daily Camp Schedule

- ✓ 12:00 – 2:45 PM | Music (inside)
- ✓ 2:45 – 3:00 PM | Break/Travel
- ✓ 3:00 – 5:00 PM | Learning Drill (stadium)
- ✓ 5:00 – 5:50 PM | Dinner inside
- ✓ 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Marching Fundamentals
- ✓ 7:00 – 8:50 PM | Drill & Music
- ✓ 8:50 – 9:00 PM | Wrap-Up



# Wildcat Marching Band

Family & Friends Camp Performance (August 9)

- ✓ Open to the entire community
- ✓ Demonstrations of activities learned during camp
- ✓ Performance of this year's marching band show

This is a fun night for your family to kick off the marching season!  
New this year...ICE CREAM SOCIAL!!





# Wildcat Marching Band

## Fall Rehearsal Schedule

- ✓ Monday & Wednesday, 5:30 – 8:30 PM
- ✓ Saturday 8/17 and 8/24, 5:00 – 9:00 PM



# Wildcat Marching Band

## Football Games

- ✓ Green & White Night – 8/23
- ✓ PCHS v OEHS – 9/6
- ✓ PCHS v PNHS – 9/20
- ✓ PCHS v PEHS – 9/28
- ✓ PCHS v Romeoville – 10/11
- ✓ PCHS v Joliet West – 10/25

## Competitions

- ✓ Stagg HS – 9/7
- ✓ PSHS – 9/21
- ✓ Downers South – 10/12
- ✓ Western IL University – 10/26

# Wildcat Marching Band

## Marching Bands Compete?!?!

Bands are judged in every aspect of their performance by experienced evaluators who are placed either on the field or in the press box based on their 'caption' (what they're judging):

### Field Judges

- ✓ Music Performance – Individual
- ✓ Visual Performance – Individual
- ✓ \*Percussion
- ✓ \*Color Guard (aka Auxiliary)
- ✓ \*Drum Majors

### Press Box Judges

- ✓ Music Performance – Ensemble
- ✓ General Effect – Music
- ✓ General Effect – Visual
- ✓ Visual Performance – Ensemble

*\*Not every competition has a judge for this.*

*If you find this REALLY EXCITING, you can search for the Bands of America Rule Book*

# What does High School Band Cost?



## Plainfield School District 202 Band Fee - \$110

Our school budget is figured based on the previous year's band enrollment (approx. 130, \$14,300) and we receive 80% of that amount because the average number of fee waivers in D202 is 20%. Our D202 budget for 2019-2020 should be approximately \$11,440. Of that, \$5,000 is set aside for uniform replacement costs every decade (I believe we're due in 2027). The remaining \$6,440 is spent at the discretion of the directors and with the approval of PCHS administration on items such as music, new instruments, instrument cleaning/repair, or other items to supplement our program.

This is an 'out of pocket' fee that is payable to PCHS as part of the school registration process  
The PCHS Band Boosters do NOT collect or spend any D202 Fees

# What does High School Band Cost?



## PCHS Band Booster 'Fair Share' Fee - \$200

The 'Fair Share' Fee is determined based on our annual operating costs and spread out evenly per band member. The PCHS Band Boosters operate on an annual budget of approximately \$40,000. Of that, approximately \$30,000 is spent on marching band, more than half of which is spent on instructional staff for the students (the band directors are paid through the district and are not part of this expense). Additional funds are spent on percussion and color guard supplies and costumes, and additional items that enhance our show and/or the experience for our students.

There is a \$25 discount if fees are paid and registration is complete on/by June 1<sup>st</sup>

Anyone choosing the 'out of pocket' option must pay in full by August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Those choosing to raise money for their fees must finish by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

**This does not HAVE TO come out of pocket! Fundraising options are available!!!**

## PCHS Color Guard Fee - \$50

*Helps offset the cost of uniforms which are custom-made and usually \$120-150/member*



# What does High School Band Cost?



Can we really raise \$200 and pay NOTHING OUT OF POCKET?! (YES!!)

## Candy Bar Sale (August)

Students/Parents purchase a box of candy bars from the boosters at \$60 and sell for \$1/bar. You keep the \$60 earned from that box since you already paid the boosters before taking the box. Boosters pays \$30 to the chocolate company per box, the other \$30 goes to the student's account.

7 Boxes of Chocolate Bars = \$210 to Student Account

# What does High School Band Cost?



Can we really raise \$200 and pay NOTHING OUT OF POCKET?! (YES!!)

## Cheesecakes (October/November)

Profit per items is \$5

## Butterbraids (January)

Profit per item is \$5.60

## Spring Advertising (All 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester)

Students & Parents can sell ads for our Spring Events including our Winter Guard Contest, Concert Band Festival, and Drumapalooza

\$200 – Full-Page Ad

\$125 – Half-Page Ad

\$75 – Quarter-Page Ad

\$50 – Business Card Ad

## 50% Profit to Student Account

*Selling 2 full-page ads pays your fair share fees!!!*

# Marching Band Registration



Everything in 2019 is ONLINE!!! No more paper forms! YAY!!!

In an effort to streamline our processes for collecting information, we'll be doing all marching band registration online at our band website, <https://pchsband.org/registration>. Please know that we recently purchased a Secure Socket License (SSL) Certificate and that your information will be SAFE to enter online.

The computer labs will be open tonight if you would like to complete your registration TONIGHT after the meeting ends. This way, you don't need to worry about it, and it's checked off of your list!

## All online payments will still go through Charms

Fair Share Fees, Color Guard Fees, and Uniform purchases can all be made online in your Charms account. You can also pay with cash or check by putting it in an envelope labelled with the student name and the nature of the payment and placing it in the Green Box outside the Band Office.

# Parent Involvement

It takes a village to run a high school band!!!

## Band Booster Board

- President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary  
*all positions need to be filled for 19-20!!!*

## Committees

*Don't be intimidated by this! Many hands make light work, so get your friends to help you and it'll be fun!*

Uniforms, Registration, Audit, Photo Sales, Food, Green & White Night, Football Tailgate Dinners, Pit Crew, Parades, Football Games, Marching Competitions, Traffic, Fundraising, Scrip Cards, Drumapalooza, Winter Guard Competition, PICBF (Concert Band Festival)

*With 135 students in band, if everyone commits to helping a little bit, we'll be able to do all of this AND MORE!*

# And Now...

The Moment you've been waiting for...

Summer Band Camp Scholarships!

- LJ Beatty – Smith Walbridge Percussion Camp (\$255)
- Paige Gieseke – Smith Walbridge Drum Major Camp (\$350)
- Tiara Guider – Smith Walbridge Drum Major Camp (\$350)



# 2019 Marching Band Show

## *The Warrior Code*

