

Parkway North High School

Marching Viking
Camp Handbook
2011



“New World Symphony”



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Dear Marching Vikings and Parents,

I hope this summer finds you having some quality time to reconnect with family and friends. I really have a great feeling about this upcoming year. We have a great show already prepared and I know you'll like it.

This year we will again use original music from John Meehan titled "The New World Symphony". We will use the same visual writer from California to write our drill. Mr. Jarrod Huntley is the Founder of Marching Network. He is backed by 18 years experience designing and teaching marching band shows across the country. Jarrod marched 4 years with the 9-time DCI champion Cadets Of Bergen County and in 2002 began working on the visual staff of The Crossmen and YEA organization! In 2004 Jarrod moved on to the visual staff of the 12-time DCI champion Blue Devils and will be starting his 8th year with the Corps in 2011.

The visual productions will be written and taught to the guard by Ms. Carly Glenn. Mrs. Laura Glenn and Carly Glenn will again be our guard sponsors.

We have a great year planned and I can hardly wait to get started. We will have a parent meeting on May, 17th 7:00 p.m. at North. Check through this handbook for more information and the exact time you need to be here this fall. Also, please look at our web site @ pnhmusic.com/band . This will have all the up to date information. Please call, or e-mail with any questions.

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Frequently Asked Questions:

1. What is the attendance policy for band camp?

*Because Band Camp now only runs 2 weeks in duration, every day contains large amounts of instruction and rehearsal – a day’s absence, therefore, will have a significant impact on the individual student’s contribution to the show and also significantly affects the entire band’s progress. The policy, therefore, calls for 100% attendance if at all possible.

2. What if a schedule conflict does arise?

*Please attempt to resolve any such conflict in favor of the published Band Camp schedule. If unable to do so, please communicate the conflict to the Band Director at the earliest possible date.

3. What are "sectionals"?

*Sectionals are sessions of instruction and rehearsal that are focused on your student marcher’s section of the Band (percussion, low brass, flutes, trumpets, saxophones, etc.). These are scheduled sporadically throughout the summer and, though not mandatory, provide an opportunity for head-start practice times for both music and marching.

4. Where is Band Camp held?

*Band Camp activities are typically held on the campus of Parkway North High School. Indoor music rehearsals will be held in the High School music area, and marching rehearsals will continue to be held on the practice field located next to the high school stadium. Evening rehearsals will be held in the stadium. Specific location information will be announced to students as required.

5. What will student marchers need for Band Camp?

- * Hat
- *Personal water bottle - approx. 1 liter in size
- *Large capacity water jug - at least 2 liters in size
- *Sunscreen
- *Light, loose-fitting clothing
- *Lip protection with sunscreen
- *Tennis shoes and socks
- *Instrument or flags
- *Pencil
- *A good breakfast
- *A flip folder and lyre (available at most music stores)

6. What is provided to student marchers for Band Camp?

- *Poker chips – these are used by the student marchers to mark spots on the field during rehearsals
- *Compact spiral-bound notebook
- *Marching drill diagrams – these are used for instruction during rehearsals. Students will place reduced-size photocopies of these diagrams into their personal notebooks for future reference.
- *Instrumental sheet music

7. What if the temperature gets very hot during Band Camp?

*While August temperatures can be high in our area, student safety is paramount for all of us. Every effort will be made to conduct rehearsals on the practice field whenever possible. Our Band Directors, however, refer daily to weather forecasts and will move rehearsal indoors when temperatures and/or heat indices get extreme.

8. When Band Camp is over, and school starts, when will student marchers have rehearsals?

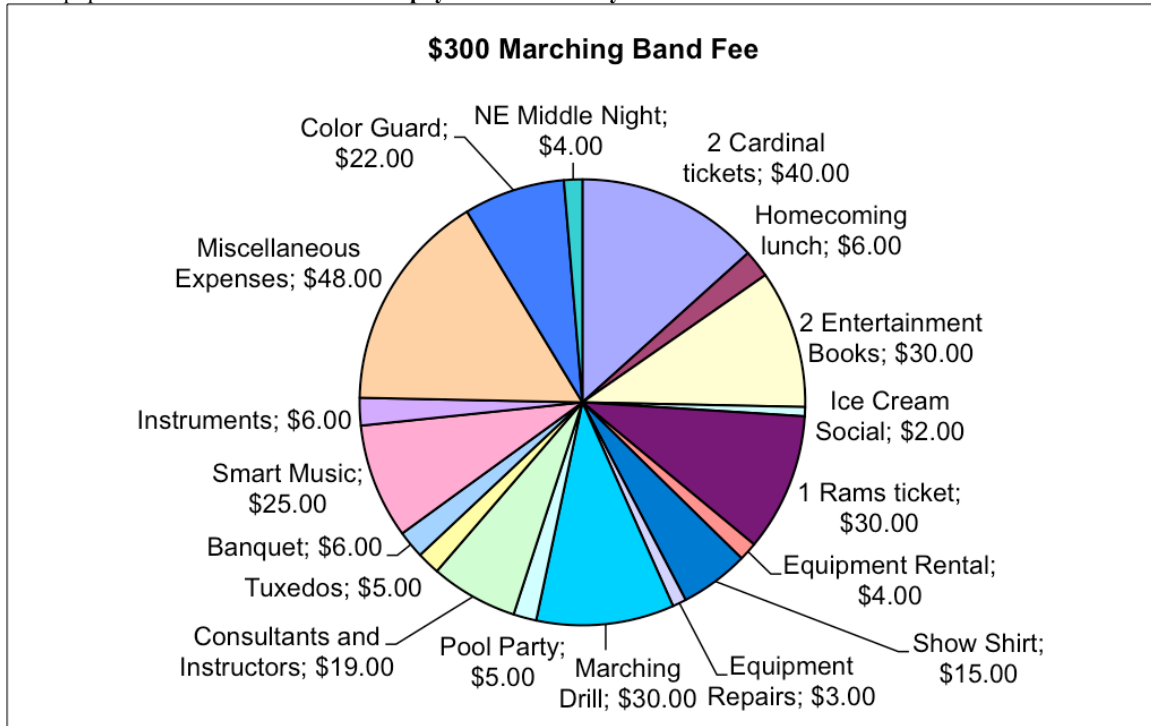
*Once Band Camp is over for the summer and school has begun, rehearsals are held “B” Days and every Friday at 6:45 a.m. before school. These rehearsals end at 7:35 on “B” days unless announced otherwise. We will rehearse every Tue. night starting at 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Percussion students will practice Thurs. nights from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

9. What is the schedule for Band Camp?

* see our website for exact times and dates @: www.pnhmusic.com/band

10. What is this years band fees?

* This year the band member fee is **\$300.00**. This amount will cover expenses not provided by the District. Other things covered are Uniform cleaning, transportation and entry fees, 1 pr. of marching gloves, clinicians, show writers, and equipment. **Please make the checks payable to: Parkway North Band Backers.**



11. Do I need an ER card (emergency release card)?

* Yes!!! you will need to have this completed by the first rehearsal and can download the form from the North web site: <http://www.pkvy.k12.mo.us/north> Click on the Athletic page.

12. What else do I need to purchase if I'm a new member?

* The only other thing you will need to purchase is marching shoes. They cost 25.00 and will be used all four years you are in marching band. We will order them the first day of camp. Freshman only.

13. What should I, as a parent, expect my student to experience during Band Camp?

* Band Camp is a rigorous, stimulating, tiring, and exhilarating experience for the student marcher (and for their parents!). Your student will get very tired and will need to get a good amount of rest in order to keep up. Likewise, getting good balanced meals will help fuel their "marching machines" during Camp. There may come some occasional frustrations when fatigue hits – they may question whether they can do it or whether the work is worthwhile. Your parental encouragement can significantly assist the students as they go through their daily schedule. Their effort is certainly "worth it" and will pay off in immeasurable ways!

Forms! Forms! Forms! Forms! Forms!

When you come the first day of camp you need to bring:

1. E.R. card (emergency release form)
2. Marching season permission slip.
3. A check for 300.00 for band fees,
4. T-Shirt/marching shoe Order Form
5. 24 pack of bottled water.

HOW TO WEAR YOUR UNIFORM

- 1) THE UNIFORM IS TO BE WORN COMPLETELY AT ALL TIMES.
- 2) Pants are worn above the waist with suspenders adjusted properly.
Pants cuffs should “break” at the top of the shoes. Do not let your pant cuff drag on the ground. Keep your suspenders on your shoulders, don’t let your pants sag or drag.
- 3) Hats are to be worn forward with long hair neatly tucked up.
- 4) When you leave the band room, car, etc., always be in full uniform.
- 5) No other hats may be worn with the uniform.
- 6) At times you will be allowed to take gloves and hats off, do not lose them. Keep your uniform zipped at all times and sash velcroed.
- 7) This year’s shirt must be worn under the uniform coat. No jeans or sweats are to be worn under the uniform.
- 8) Wear solid colored black socks!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- 9) Keep your shoes polished
- 10) No jewelry that is visible may be worn. (no earrings of any kind)
- 11) Following every performance neatly hang up your uniform. The band will pay to have it cleaned at the end of the season. You are responsible to have it cleaned if it is necessary before then.
- 12) Make sure you have all of your uniform parts are hung up in your bag.
- 13) Failure to wear, maintain and return your uniform properly will result in a grade reduction and/or replacement cost.

FOOTBALL GAME GUIDELINES

1. Your attendance is required for warm up, pregame and during the game.
2. Don't forget.....we are at the game to entertain and support our team. The band stays until the end of each game.
3. Stay focused on the game and CHEER!!!!
4. When it is time to play, be ready with your music and attention.
5. Stay in your seat in sections.
6. Your friends outside the band are not invited to sit with the band or in the aisles.
7. Following half-time, you will have 3rd quarter off for a soda and bathroom break. We will start playing at the end of the 3rd quarter. Be in your seats and ready to play. Attendance will be taken.
8. Be in full uniform at all times
9. Following the game, make sure all equipment is put away, and take all of your uniform home. Make sure the band room is picked up and clean.
10. Uniforms/instruments/equipment not stored or maintained properly will result in grade penalties. Poor participation on the field or the stands will also result in grade penalties.
11. Make all hair/nail/etc. appointments for homecoming after 4:00. You will not be released early for this. Make your appointments today so there will be no conflicts.

**PARKWAY NORTH BAND
PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT
FOR SCHOOL SPONSORED TRIPS**

School sponsored band field trips will take place periodically throughout the school year. These trips may include band contests, concerts, football games, or other band related activities. By returning this form you consent to your student attending these events and being transported by a certified contractor (school or charter bus). Some special event activities may require an additional permission slip which you will be required to return. You will receive an itinerary prior to every event with times locations and emergency phone numbers.

As always, thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

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Students must return this form to be granted permission to participate.

I give my permission for my child, (name) _____ to travel on the various field trips sponsored by the Parkway North band during the 2011-2012 school year.

All students will be expected to comply with the supervisor's (teacher's) instructions and all school rules while en route to/from and during the time of the school sponsored activity.

Signature of parent or guardian

Date

Show Shirt Order Form

We will be ordering new band show shirts to be worn at many events. **The cost of Student shirt will be included with your band fees.** Please fill out this form and return it on the first day of band camp.

Student's Name: _____

SMALL # _____ MEDIUM # _____ LARGE # _____ EXTRA LARGE # _____

Additional Shirts (parents, siblings and friends) not covered by band fees

PLEASE ENCLOSE \$20.00 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL SHIRT. Make checks **payable to Parkway North Band Backers.**

SMALL # _____ MEDIUM # _____ LARGE # _____ EXTRA LARGE # _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Drill Master Shoe Order Form

Required for **all Freshman** and upperclassmen who need new shoes **ONLY**

Make check for 25.00 payable to Parkway North Band Backers

Name: _____

Please complete:

Male shoe size _____ **Female** shoe size _____

Additional Band Camp Information

Pool Party (Pending approval)

Who: All marching band and color guard students
Where: Robinwood West Swim Club @ 12556 Merrick Drive (Olive to Ross, North, left on Merrick)

When: Monday, August 1st @ 4:00 to 7:00 pm.

What to bring: Appropriate swim wear, towel

The PNH Band Backers will provide a light dinner.

Students must arrange their own transportation.

SODA & WATER

All marching band and color guard students are asked to bring 24 bottles of water to be used as student refreshments at home football games and performances.

Your contribution can be brought to the band room at anytime.

Band Camp Family Ice Cream Social and Performance

Who: All marching band and color guard students, and their immediate families.

Where: Parkway North Stadium

When: Thursday, August 11th @ 7:00 p.m.

Ice Cream Social to follow the performance of our Marching Vikings as we present our 2011 performance entitled "The New World Symphony".

Marching Band Schedule 2011

July

25	3-8pm	Drumline Camp
26	3-8pm	Drumline Camp
27	12-3pm	Section Leader Camp
27	3-8pm	Drumline Camp
28	8-10am	Freshmen/New Member Camp (section leaders and all percussion)
28	10-3pm	Band Camp
29	8-3pm	Band Camp

August

1	8-3pm	Band Camp
1	4-7pm	Pool Party
2	8-3pm	Band Camp
3	8-3pm	Band Camp
4	8-3pm	Band Camp
5	8-12pm	Band Camp
5	12:30-2pm	Bowling Party
8	3-8:30pm	Band Camp
9	3-8:30pm	Band Camp
10	3-8:30pm	Band Camp
11	3-6pm	Band Camp
11	7pm	Parent Preview
16	7:45 am	First Day of School
17	6:45am	First Day of E-hour morning rehearsal
22	4pm....	Cardinal Game Performance
26	5pm	Home Football Game
27	tba	Mozingo Drumline Competition

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Our before school (e-hour) schedule will be every “B” Day morning and every **Friday** from 6:45 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

“A” Days will be from 7:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
(Percussion will rehearse 2nd block)

We will also practice every Tues. night from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

September

6		No Tuesday Practice (moved to Wed. this week only)
7	6:30 pm	Rehearsal
16	5pm	Home Football Game
17	tba	Farmington Competition
24	tba	Sullivan Competition
25	tba	Rams Performance
30	5pm	Home Football Game
		Depart for Columbia MO Holiday Inn Hotel (I-70 Drive S.W., Columbia (573) 445-853)

October

1	tba	CMU Competition – Fayette, MO
	10:00 pm	Return to Parkway North
14	6:00 pm	Pep Rally
15	10:00 am	Homecoming- Parade and Game Parade starts at 11:00 Pre-game starts 12:45
21	5pm	Home Football Game
22	tba	Greater St. Louis Competition

DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE FOR MOST CURRENT SCHEDULE
pnhmusic.com