

Dear CCHS Band Families:

Welcome to BandNotes! This is David Gresko, the new Director of Bands/Orchestra here at CCHS. It has been my pleasure to have met many of our parents already and to have started working with our musicians in the classroom. I am very excited and honored to now be a part of the tradition of musical excellence here at CCHS. The future is bright with continued support from our band families, administration and community.

**BandNotes** will be a bi-weekly e-mail on Fridays giving information on upcoming events. This along with a new website will hopefully help keep everyone up-to-date on everything band. Stay tuned for the new Instrumental Music website coming soon!

### **Calendar**

The calendar of events for the year is included in the attachment to this e-mail. The first instrumental concert is October 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Uniforms**

Uniform fittings will begin in early October during class. All students will need to purchase their own tuxedo shirts if needed, which are available for \$20.00. All other uniform items are provided by the CCHS Bands. If you plan to purchase a shirt, please bring your payment to your fitting in October. More details on dates coming soon. Special thanks to Kathy McKinley and Holly Salemy for their assistance this year!

### **Expectations**

Attached is the Grading and Expectations Sheets all students received during the first week of school. There is a place for a parent/guardian signature.

### **Genevieve Fundraiser (attach letter)**

Once again the Band/Orchestra will take part in a fundraiser to help support the events of the CCHS instrumental ensembles. Each student received a packet with information recently and additional information for families is attached to this e-mail. The fundraiser will go until Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> and we hope that all students will participate, as many of our students will see a direct benefit of these raised funds. Many thanks to our parent coordinators: Sally Williams, Wendy Barrow, & Bev Ridpath.

### **Nanae Delegation Dinner/October 7<sup>th</sup> - 5-8PM (Tickets now available!)**

A delegation from Nanae will be in town for Columbus Day weekend. A dinner has been organized with the tremendous assistance by some of our band parents. This is a ticketed event and we hope band families will consider attending. Attached is information on the event and tickets. Students will receive additional information next week.

## **Pep Band**

Attached is the calendar of events for the Pep Band this fall. I hope to see you at the games to support the group and the team! Rehearsal in the bandroom is at 5:45pm sharp for home games. Students coming from other events will need to make sure they get all items they need for the game if they plan to arrive after 6:30pm. ***The bandroom will be locked at 6:30pm for all home games.***

## **Sweatshirts**

The pep band sweatshirt is required for all Pep Band performances. Cash is accepted and checks should be made out to CCHS Band in the amount of \$30. It is suggested that newer members get a larger size so they can grow into them and wear additional layers underneath.

## **Upcoming Events**

### **SEPTEMBER**

- 10 MICCA Executive Board Meeting 6:00
- 11 Pep Band Rehearsal, Band Room, 7-9
- 14 Band Genevieve Fundraiser Begins
- 18 Pep Band Rehearsal, Band Room, 7-9
- 21 Pep Band Football, HOME vs. Waltham, 5:30-9
- 28 Pep Band Football HOME vs. Newton-South, 5:30-9

### **OCTOBER**

- 7 Nanae Delegation BBQ 5-8
- 9 Band Genevieve Fundraiser Ends
- 14 Pep Band at Crop Walk for Hunger, 12-3
- 15 MICCA Executive Board Meeting 6:00/ Eastern District Meeting
- 16-18 Rep Band Seating Auditions
- 19 Pep Band Football AWAY vs. Acton-Boxborough, 5-10
- 22-25 Concert Band Seating Auditions
- 26 Pep Band Football HOME vs. Weston, 5:30-9
- 28 MICCA Marching Band Finals
- 30 **Instrumental FALL CONCERT, Auditorium, 7-9**