

June 7, 2021

IT'S ABOUT THAT TIME AGAIN

Paoli Band Families:

Your directors and staff are looking forward to a much more “normal” year but realize that some things are still going to be different and unique this year. Due to the lingering effects of COVID-19, safety precautions have been put into place, and an altered schedule that meets all of the requirements of the State & Local Health Departments has been created. We are ready to begin the 2021 season!

We are anticipating another great season for the Pride of Paoli. To be at our top potential, we need to develop certain traits and characteristics of a champion. These are: working as hard as you can, being alert, developing your self discipline to the very best you can, being able to stand at attention, ability to work in hot, cold, dry, wet weather, memorizing lots of music and drill, and basically learning the ability to give up your own wants, desires, and needs at times for the benefit of the entire group. These qualities are what have made Paoli the class of Indiana the last 30+ years (15 State Championships and 6 runner up finishes). 2021 marks the 39th anniversary of the Pride of Paoli in the State Finals Contests.

1) GET IN ALL FORMS

- a. Health Form
- b. Financial Form

2) PAY BAND FEES

- a. Due by the first day of school

3) TIME COMMITMENT

- a. We request that you attend all rehearsals and performances because the show is designed for the exact number of people in the band. Check the enclosed calendar for when you are rehearsing, some of the sections (drum line, pit, horn line, guard) are at different times.

Please see to it that you have covered all of the other information and that you get the forms to your parents and back to the band office. Looking forward to yet another great summer and fall!!

- Mr. Karkosky
- Mr. Laughlin

Letter From The Director

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to the Paoli Jr/Sr High School Band Program! Congratulations on making the decision to get involved with music!

It is my hope that your time in band is one of the most positively influential experiences of your life. The memories you make with your friends in band are sure to be the highlights of your school career.

The world needs young people who are willing to put themselves out there, take risks, and discover their true potential. The experiences you will have in band will do this and more.

The following pages are your guide to everything you need to know about the Paoli Jr/Sr High School PRIDE OF PAOLI MARCHING BAND. Please read carefully and refer to often. More information and a digital copy of these pages can be found at prideofpaoli.org.

Let's make music and memories together!

Mr. K

- Christian Karkosky "Mr. K"

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# **PRIDE OF PAOLI Marching Band**

The PRIDE OF PAOLI is one of the premier groups on Paoli Jr/Sr High School. As a member of this storied and traditioned group, you are expected to uphold the highest standards of behavior, performance, and work ethic. You are representing the band, the school, the community, and yourself in everything you do and say.

We have very few rules, but we do have certain expectations of all who consider themselves a member of the PRIDE OF PAOLI BAND. The uniform that you wear, and this organization that you are a part of, **demand** that you represent the community and the school at its best at all times. We pride ourselves on being leaders and in setting examples for others to follow.

The effectiveness of the Pride of Paoli Band will be as valuable as what **you** contribute in the way of participation, cooperation, self discipline, and attitude.

**Be On Time**      **Be Prepared**  
**Be Focused**    **Be Respectful**

## Other Expectations:

- to participate in all scheduled activities
- Communicate any conflict/absence with Mr. Karkosky prior to the conflict/absence.
- to never use drugs, alcohol, tobacco, foul language or be insubordinate to the staff and/or band parent volunteers
- to respect other student's rights, property, and feelings (think before you speak!!)
- to avoid PDA (public display of affection)
- to never bring candy, gum, food, or drink into the band room or any rehearsal
- to always wear shoes during rehearsal
- to have your transportation pick you up at the band room - not the field.

The choice of whether you live up to these is obviously yours, and, if you should choose not to, we will respect your choice. However, you should be prepared for the consequences of your actions which may include your removal from the program.

Young people who participate in band are capable of making their own decisions and handling the many responsibilities that are given to them. You, and you alone, are able to decide what your level of responsibility is going to be and what your commitment to the Pride of Paoli is all about.

## Attendance Policy

The success of the whole is dependent upon the work of each individual. FOR ANY ABSENCE, A PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST EMAIL MR. K PRIOR TO THE ABSENCE. THANK YOU.

## Rehearsal Absence:

- It is the student's and parent/ guardian's responsibility to make certain that proper notification is made for any absence.
- Students not giving the proper notification or untimely notification may be restricted from performances.
- Excusable absences include the following: funerals of immediate family members, weddings of immediate family members, specific school sports and/or club activities (cleared with director ahead of time).

- The following are NOT excusable reasons for absences: work, lack of planning, sports and/or club activities not cleared by directors. (directors can clarify any questions about excusable verses inexcusable absences).

Performance Absence:

- It is the student's and parent/guardian's responsibility to make certain that proper notification is made for any absence.
- The student should contact Mr. Karkosky prior to any absence from a performance to discuss circumstance and possible options.
- In the case of an unplanned emergency, such as sickness, parents try to contact Mr. Karkosky via email or phone call prior to the absence.
- Students not giving the proper notification or untimely notification may be restricted from performances.

## **MATERIALS FOR MARCHING BAND**

### **HORN LINE/DRUM LINE AND PIT ENSEMBLE:**

1/2" Hard bound 3-ring binder notebook

**BLACK** shorts (no designs)

sneakers

- \*\* Band Shoes (black ones - we order these)
- \*\* Long black socks to match the uniform and shoes
- \*\* Band shirt
- \*\* Black "Under-Armour" type shirt
- \* Uniform

Inst/equip in proper condition (oil, reeds, etc.)

tote bag for stuff on trips

### **COLOR GUARD:**

Practice equipment (flags/rifle)

Band shirt

**BLACK** shorts (no designs)

white sneakers and footies

- \* Dance shoes
- \*\* Uniform

tote bag for stuff on trips

\* purchased from the band

\*\* provided by the band

# **Band Camp Information**

Band Camp will take place at Paoli Jr/Sr. High School. We will practice in the band room, outdoor practice field, gymnasiums, and other outdoor spots on campus. Students should be dropped off and picked up at the band room (door #6) every single day.

Students should bring a packed lunch or have lunch dropped off to them everyday. Please do not leave campus for lunch!

## I. SCHEDULE

**June 7-10 – Percussion Camp #1 (Percussion only) – 9am-12pm**

**June 7, 8, 10 – Basics Camp (Everyone attends) – 6pm-8pm**

**June 14-17 – Percussion Camp #2 (Percussion only) – 9am-12pm**

**June 14,15,17 – Music Rehearsals (Hornline only) – 6pm-8pm**

**June 14, 16 – Color Guard Only – 10am-12pm**

**June 21, 23 – Color Guard Only – 9am-12pm**

**July 6, 8 – Pre-Camp Rehearsals (Percussion and Horns) – 6pm-8pm**

**July 6, 8 – Color Guard Only – 4pm-8pm**

**July 9 – Color Guard Only – 10am-2pm**

**July 12-16 – Band Camp #1 (Everyone attends) – 8am-4pm**

**July 19-23 – Band Camp #2 (Everyone attends) – 8am-4pm**

## II. CAMP EXPECTATIONS

- a. Follow all other band expectations
- b. to not drive automobiles during band camp hours (8:00 - 4:00)
- c. come prepared with all needed materials everyday
- d. get plenty of rest while not at rehearsal
- e. Come with a great attitude everyday

## III. WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

- a. Appropriate clothing (It will be hot outside!)
  - Shorts, t-shirts, hats, sunglasses
- b. lunch for every day
- c. plenty of water to drink throughout the day
- d. close-toed shoes / athletic shoes
- e. sunscreen
- f. beach towel
- g. Instrument!!
- h. 1/2" Hard bound 3-ring binder notebook for music and drill (see below)

## IV. DRILL AND MUSIC BINDER

- a. All musicians will need a 1/2" Hard bound 3-ring binder for band camp and the marching season. This is how students will easily store and reference their warmups, show music, and drill. You can find these at Walmart. These will be used throughout the season so make sure you treat them with care.
- b. If you have questions about what you need, ask a veteran member of your section or directors.

# **2021 PRIDE OF PAOLI BAND BOOSTERS**

Keep this paper - FYI

Dear Parents,

Welcome to another chapter of the PRIDE OF PAOLI BAND program!!! We are getting into the summer months and trying to keep up with everybody's schedules. The BAND BOOSTER ORGANIZATION will be having a meeting on **Monday Night (June 7<sup>th</sup> 2020)** at 6:00 p.m. in the HS Band Room. This will be the first meeting of the 2021 Band Boosters and will also be the time at which students need to turn in their health forms (pink) and their financial obligations (gray).

This meeting will begin our preparations for the fall season which includes many activities: contests, parade, and, hopefully, a return trip to the state finals. We need **your** input as to how these things can all be accomplished and run smoothly. Band Booster meetings will typically fall on the first Monday of the month unless otherwise noted (please reference the calendar).

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|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>July 17</b> | - BAND DAY on the Square to raise \$ for new equipment (8:00-12:00)    |
| <b>July 24</b> | - Golf Scramble                                                        |
| <b>July 30</b> | - STUDENT PERFORMANCE for the community and parents (6:00 - 7:00 p.m.) |
| <b>Sept 11</b> | - Contest TBD                                                          |
| <b>Sept 18</b> | - PRIDE OF PAOLI INVITATIONAL (we host a contest here at Paoli)        |
| <b>Sept 25</b> | - Contest TBD                                                          |
| <b>Oct 2</b>   | - Contest TBD                                                          |
| <b>Oct 9</b>   | - Contest TBD                                                          |
| <b>Oct 16</b>  | - <b>ISSMA Regionals</b> at TBD                                        |
| <b>Oct 23</b>  | - Contest TBD                                                          |
| <b>Oct 30</b>  | - <b>ISSMA Semi-State</b> at TBD                                       |
| <b>Nov 6</b>   | - <b>ISSMA STATE FINALS</b> at the Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis   |

## **Areas in which parent volunteers assist the band:**

**Drivers** (bus, semi truck)

**Uniforms** (box mom)

**Chaperone** for a bus

**Pit Crew** (to help students set up for performances)

**Equipment maintenance**

(trailer, boxes, pit equip)

**Meals** for students

**First Aid**

**Publicity**

**Newsletter** - mailings

**Invitational Jobs**

Please remember that a marching band can only be as good as the support provided by the parents and friends of that organization. Last year was great! We definitely need the veterans back this year, and, we need the new people. All of our positions have the leaders set. Come to the July meeting and find out what this is all about.

**How to Deliver: Put THIS form, payment & Health form (Pink) in an envelope ... then deposit it in the black box by band office.**

# FINANCIAL FORM

## 2021 Pride of Paoli Band

### BAND EXPENSES

Fees are due @ **Band Camp or beginning of school year**

| <u>ITEM</u>                                                                                                                                                                   | <u>COST</u>                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>BAND FEE</b> (covers staff and materials given to you the entire season)                                                                                                   | \$40                                                              |
| <b>UNIFORM CLEANING</b> - done two times during the season                                                                                                                    | \$12                                                              |
| <b>BLACK "UNDER-ARMOUR" TYPE SHIRT</b> - Given to each member for under the uniform                                                                                           | \$20                                                              |
| <b>BAND SHIRT</b> (new design - given to you at Band Camp)                                                                                                                    | \$12                                                              |
| <b>DRUM CORPS TICKET</b> – n/a                                                                                                                                                | \$ 0                                                              |
| <b>SHOES</b> (1 time charge: \$29 for all 1 <sup>st</sup> time members. No charge for future years)                                                                           | _____                                                             |
| <b>EQUIPMENT RENTAL</b> (\$15 if you are using school instrument or guard equipment)<br>This covers cost of repair and replacement of our equipment                           | _____                                                             |
| <b>MEALS</b> - this will cover all of the band booster meals for the students during the contest season.<br>(used to be \$55 – we received a \$2500 grant to help with this!) | \$30                                                              |
|                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>sub total</b> \$_____                                          |
|                                                                                                                                                                               | Less \$ in your band account - _____<br>from previous fundraisers |
|                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>TOTAL BAND FEES FOR 2021</b> \$_____                           |

Please pay this fee on or before Band Camp. If you need any of the extra items, fill in the areas and add your total. Make checks to **PHS BAND**. If you need extra time, or, if you are in need of financial assistance, we can help!!! Please see directors privately and we will work it out.

Our program philosophy is that *everyone can participate* – **no one is ever left out!** Everyone is important to us so don't let the financial side of things discourage you. We have always been able to figure it out! 😊

# EMERGENCY TREATMENT AND HEALTH FORM

FULL NAME OF STUDENT \_\_\_\_\_  
(last) (first) (middle)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
#, street Apt #  
\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
town zip code  
cell phone #

**If you participated last year, and – info is still the same, we will use that form.  
If your info changed – or – you are a new member – we need this form.**

DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

DATE OF LAST TETANUS SHOT \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

CHRONIC MEDICAL PROBLEMS OR ALLERGIES \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

MEDICATIONS TAKEN on-going BASIS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY DOCTOR \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

HEALTH INSURANCE \_\_\_\_\_  
policy company | policy #  
\_\_\_\_\_  
policy holder's name

## PARENT OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION

|                                        |                                        |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Father _____                           | Mother _____                           |
| Address _____<br>_____                 | Address _____<br>_____                 |
| Phone #s _____ home/cell<br>_____ work | Phone #s _____ home/cell<br>_____ work |
| email: _____                           | email: _____                           |

In the event of sickness or accident, the sponsors and/or chaperons of the Pride of Paoli Band are granted the permission to seek any and all medical attention for the above named child. Also, I grant the permission to give any/or all needed medical care and treatment to the child to any medical facility and/or physician, that are licensed to provide this care and approved by the sponsor and/or chaperon. This permission is granted in the absence of me/us as the parent or guardian of the minor child.

Signatures of Parents/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_