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**BURLINGTON CITY HIGH SCHOOL
MUSIC & ARTS
PROGRAM**

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MUSIC BOOSTERS ASSOCIATION**



**STUDENT and PARENT
HANDBOOK**

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2019-2020 HANDBOOK**

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Dear BCHS Music Members & Parent/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 Burlington City High School Music Program.

As the BCHS Music Program begins a new year, we are looking forward to many successful music performances throughout the entire department. The BCHS Music Boosters Association is incredibly dedicated to promoting the success of each student. As you read through the pages of this handbook, you will notice the great depth and detail that supports the planning of this highly recognized program. Please take a moment to find a path for your passion, stick to it - and let this great program soar.

BCHS offers many courses of study, as well as co-curricular activities. This handbook describes the BCHS "Blue Devil Marching Band", Concert & Symphonic Bands, "Blue Devil Jazz Band", Concert Choir, "Blue Notes Jazz Choir", BCHS Winter Color Guard, the Brass - Woodwind & Percussion ensembles, Musical Theater program and other various musical activities. You will find important information regarding finances, performance schedules and other basic information. Please take a special look through our Language Dictionary at the end, a fun place to learn the lingo.

A great way to get involved with the program is to volunteer! Sell a t-shirt, load equipment, chaperone a trip, participate in fundraisers, help with uniforms..... the list is endless. There is always something going on, and we are always in need of help. This is a TEAM EFFORT, and your participation is greatly appreciated!

Another great year with the BCHS Music program awaits you. This is your program, take pride in your success!!

All the Best,

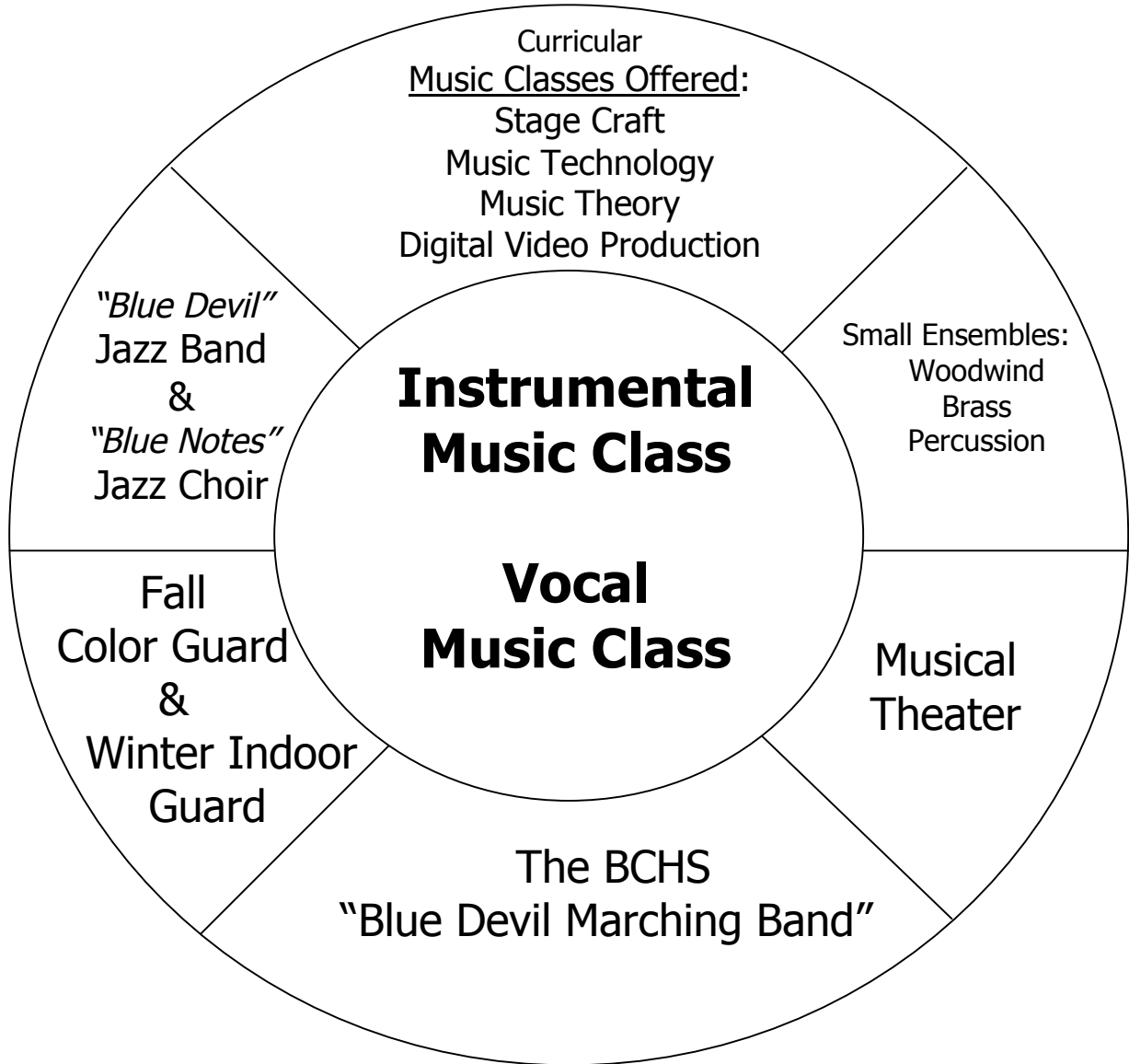
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Burlington City High School (Music) Band Boosters Association

Burlington City HS Music Program



The Instrumental and Vocal Classes / "Concert Ensembles" are the foundation and at the center of the BCHS Music Program. There are many varied co-curricular ensembles and music classes that are offered to students to supplement the basic music experience. In order to participate in any of the co-curricular groups or ensembles a student must be involved in either the Vocal or Instrumental classes initially.

CO-CURRICULAR COURSE OFFERINGS

Instrumental Music / BAND is open to students who have achieved or wish to achieve proficiency on a woodwind, brass, or percussion instrument. A wide variety of music, individual skills, and theory will be covered in this course. This ensemble will perform many performances at festivals, competitions, parades, concerts and other functions. Members of the Band participate in the marching band, which is a co-curricular activity meeting after school hours in the fall. Students are accepted and approved by the band director. (Full Year Course—5 credits)

MUSIC TECHNOLOGY is a class designed to study and use computers and musical instruments to create music. MIDI technology, sequencers, sound modules, and music keyboards will be used to arrange, compose, sequence, and print music. Basic skill on an instrument and a desire to be creative are required, but no previous keyboard or composing experience is necessary. (Full Year course - 5 credits)

MUSIC THEORY I & ADVANCED are designed for students who enjoy music and are interested in the basic fundamentals of its creation. Students interested in taking this course should have a basic understanding of music notation and vocabulary. Students will learn to identify key signatures, define intervals, build and identify chord structures, take melodic, rhythmic, and harmonic dictation, develop keyboard familiarity, sight-sing musical notation, and develop musical vocabulary. Knowledge of material will be demonstrated through written, singing, and listening exercises, exams, composition projects, presentations, and analysis. (*Full Year course- 5 credits*)

DIGITAL VIDEO & WEB Production is a study of video and filming studies and techniques as well as digital editing, effecting and production. Students must be prepared to do video work and projects beyond the classroom including video production of Concerts, Plays and other performances throughout the year.

STAGECRAFT 101 is a study of technical production and how to operate the various performance venues and stages that are used in the performing arts. There is also study and work in sound and lighting production using digital programming and hands on work as well.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

MARCHING BAND - is one of the school's largest co-curricular activities. This award-winning band performs at parades, football games, community events, and band competitions and represents our communities of Burlington City and Edgewater Park throughout the regional area, state and the nation. To participate, incoming members must be enrolled in Instrumental Music Class. See the "Marching Band Information" section of the handbook.

"Blue Devil" JAZZ BAND is offered as an important off shoot of the total band program. The jazz group performs at concerts, community events and jazz festivals during the second semester. Rehearsals are one evening a week, following the Marching Band season. Additional sectional rehearsals are arranged with input from the members for their availability. To participate, students must be enrolled in Instrumental Music class.

"Blue Notes" JAZZ CHOIR is offered as an important addition to the vocal music program. The jazz choir groups perform at concerts, public events and jazz festivals during the second semester. Rehearsals are after school twice a week, starting in October and running through

May. Additional sectional rehearsals are arranged with input from the members for their availability. To participate, students must be enrolled in Vocal or Instrumental Music class.

WINTER COLOR GUARD is an extra-curricular activity for those students interested in Indoor Color Guard. There are several rehearsals weekly and competitions on weekends. The Winter Guard competes at local, state, regional and national events from January through early April.

SMALL ENSEMBLES are opportunities for band members to play in small groups to improve their skills. Much of the rehearsal is on an independent, self-study basis. There are opportunities to perform in concerts and various community events.

MEMBER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

The various Burlington City High School Ensembles could not function as successfully as they do without the countless hours of work from the many, dedicated **student** leaders!

BAND OFFICERS

Drum Major / Co-Drum Majors or Assistant Drum Majors / Captains for Color Guard, Percussion & Front Musical Ensemble. These officers are responsible for communication, guidance, academic assistance, and the social activities of the band. They also help to communicate ideas and all-important information to and from the Directors, Staff, Student members, and the Music Boosters.

STUDENT ASSISTANTS

These individuals will receive account credits from the director during each marking period for their work in the music department area. These students are an important and necessary part of the program organization, taking care of rehearsal rooms, equipment, music, repairs, and a million odd jobs that must be completed throughout the school year.

LIBRARIANS

The Instrumental & the Vocal classes will each have one librarian who will be responsible for the distribution, collection, and filing of all music. They may choose to engage other students to assist in this process.

STUDENT DIRECTORS

Ensembles may be assigned student directors who would be in charge of set-up, starting rehearsals and generally assisting the director as needed.

MUSIC AWARDS

1. **Rookie of the Year Award:** Presented to a **'first year'** member in each section of each ensemble who has shown the most dedication, hard work and spirit in the BCHS Music Program.
2. **Burlington City High School Music Certificate:** Presented to **each** member of the various organizations of the BCHS Music Program.
3. **Senior Presentation:** Presented to each senior by the Music Boosters Association in appreciation for their service to the BCHS Music Program.
4. **Marching Band Awards:** A Band Letter is given to **each member** who completes a full marching band season. A chevron is given for each additional season, which can be added to the letter.
5. **Music Booster Achievement Scholarships for Seniors:** The Band Boosters offer several scholarships to **graduating seniors**. There is an application and a newly added interview segment starting in 2020, to help the scholarship committee select the most deserving senior candidates based on their academic achievement, program dedication, and leadership while participating in the Burlington City High School music program.
6. **Music Booster Awards / Work Service Presentations:** The BCHS Music Boosters may offer these awards as they see the need, so as to provide assistance in all areas of music and leadership study: private lessons, summer music camps, clinics, and workshops.

THE BCHS MUSIC BOOSTERS ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

PURPOSE:

To recognize outstanding achievement, dedication, and leadership while participating in the Burlington City High School Music & Performing Arts Program. The awarding of the scholarship will be to qualified graduating seniors, who have met the scholarship requirements.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. A minimum of three (3) years of active participation in the Music Program **or** a minimum of three (3) years of cumulative active participation in combined Program. (The definition of "Program" for this purpose includes: Bands, Choirs, Color Guard and Musical Theater. The definition of student for this purpose includes: Musicians, Color Guard, and Theatrical participants. For transfer students, a statement of participation from a former director is needed.)
2. Candidate should be a well-rounded individual in music activities as well as academics, and community involvement and service.
3. Evidence of active and "positive" leadership in the music program.
4. An exhibition of excellence in effort.
5. A grade point average of "B" or better while attending Burlington City High School.
6. Selection shall be by application and interview.

SELECTION PROCESS:

1. Applications will be offered to each senior during the second semester and can be obtained from the director. Upon completion they must be submitted to the director by the date stipulated on the application. The method of submission will also be explained with the application. All written essays will remain anonymous to the committee during their review.
2. The selection committee will arrange an interview appointment with the candidate.
3. Scholarships will be awarded at the Music Awards Banquet in June.

SELECTION COMMITTEE:

The committee shall be composed as follows:

- The Director of Music
- Music Booster President(s)
- Music Booster Parent(s) of a Junior
- Music Booster Parent(s) of a Sophomore
- Music Booster Parent(s) of a Freshman

EXCEPTIONS:

No parent of a graduating senior may serve on the committee. If the Band Booster Presidents are also the parents of a graduating Senior, the Vice President, then the Secretary, then the Treasurer will serve, as necessary.

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 Burlington City HS Music Program!

As you read this, you have already shown support for your child's musical and personal growth by being involved in the BCHS Music Program. Your support is only beginning here. As the director, I ask the students to give willingly and selflessly for the good of the program. As parents, this sense of dedication and commitment **MUST** be matched at home with support, encouragement and praise from **YOU**.

In addition to the support you give your child at home, there are many ways to stay involved with the music program. The BCHS Music Booster Association is solely dependent on your dedication and participation. Your involvement will keep this program alive, and will be incredibly meaningful to your child and many other children as well. Please attend as many performances as you can. Music is meant for an audience! Also, we are always in need of volunteers for various activities. This is a great way to show support for your child and to meet other parents and staff members. We cannot run a program of this magnitude without your help! Please volunteer as much as you can; you will find the experience to be even more rewarding!

On behalf of the entire program, we thank you for your hard work and dedication. Without you, we would not have one of "America's Top 100 Communities for Music Education" and a "GRAMMY AWARD WINNING" BCHS Music Program.

Sincerely,

David Thomas May

David Thomas May
Director of Music and Performing Arts
Burlington City High School

BURLINGTON CITY HS BAND* BOOSTERS ASSOCIATION, INC. (BCHSBBA)

Please note that the legal name of the BCHS Music Boosters Association is really "The Burlington City High School Band Boosters Association." We prefer to reference the Association as the BCHS **MUSIC BOOSTERS Association because the organization supports all ensembles and students involved in the entire BCHS Music and Performing Arts program.*

PHILOSOPHY

The philosophy of the BCHS Music Boosters Association is to act as a support group for the entire music program. This includes all instrumental vocal, color guard and theatrical ensembles as outlined in this handbook.

PURPOSE

The BCHS Music Boosters Association was formed to provide moral and financial support to all the Burlington City High School Music students and the programs offered to them. Membership in the BCHSBBA is open to all parents/guardians of student members, alumni and friends of the program. There are monthly executive board meetings, and general meetings are held at least four times a year. (Copies of the Constitution and By-Laws are available upon request from the director).

The Boosters, in cooperation with the students and its members, sponsor numerous fund raising events each year. The money from these activities provide for the following:

- musical instruments
- equipment/vehicles/maintenance
- music
- uniforms
- competitions
- additional support staff
- scholarships
- awards
- insurance
- annual Awards Night activities
- other activities as approved by the Band Booster Executive Board.

The Boosters also provide moral support at contests, concerts and other appearances by the musical groups representing Burlington City High School.

**2019-2020 BCHSBBA
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Executive Director

Name

Email: dmay@burlington-nj.net David Thomas May – Dir. of Music & Perf. Arts
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Officers

Name

President	Alisa Drangula (Maura's Mom)
1st Vice President	Chris Doerner
Recording Secretary	Vera Shaffer
Treasurer	Deb Lachawiec

FUNDRAISING

Chairperson	Chris Doerner
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OPERATIONS SUPPORT

Uniforms/Costuming:	Vera Shaffer Terri Chicosky Karen Kinter Alisa Drangula
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Equipment/Transportation:	David May - coordinator Mike Chicosky Miguel Cunha Jeff Kinter
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COMMITTEES/LIASONS

Food Concessions	Mike & Sandy Anzuini
School Store	Chris Doerner
Color Guard	Karen Kinter
Edgewater Park Liaison	<i>Open</i>
Theater / Play Liaison	Alisa Drangula
Membership	<i>Open</i>
50/50 & Raffle Licensing	<i>Open</i>

OVERVIEW OF THE BCHSBBA BUDGET

The Burlington City HS Band Boosters Association, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation [IRS Code, Section 501 (c)(3)] recognized by the State of New Jersey. The Boosters provide volunteer, financial and logistical support for the Music Programs at Burlington City High School. The Music Boosters organization addresses many objectives that require a rigorous budget. The 2019-2020 budget is designed to cover the operating expenses incurred during the year as well as generate additional funds for long-term projects.

THE BCHS MUSIC BOOSTERS FUND:

Uniforms	Music	Food
Transportation	Website	Hotels/Housing
Instruments	Specialty Staff	Scholarships
Band Camp Costs	Lessons/Clinics	Props/Electronics
Big Trips	Tickets/Entry fees	Show Equipment
Nursing supplies	Costumes	Awards Night
Equipment Trailers, Vehicles & Maintenance		

2019-2020 STUDENT FEES

Marching Band & Guard Members - \$265 for Band Camp

(Includes Shirt, Food, Transportation & Equipment costs)

\$35 for designated shoe/footwear

Theater Cast Members - \$30 production fee

(Includes T-shirt & Student production costs)

Coming in May of 2020 – Disney Performance Trip

PROJECTED SPRING TRIP COST - \$1,100 all inclusive

Payments of \$100 a month can begin in June 2019.

Pay-Pal Buttons on the bchsmusic.com website can be used for credit card deposits and pay-pal payments. Make sure you put the name of the event and student into the note section of the payment process.

(Returned Check Fee-\$25)

INDIVIDUAL MEMBER FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Fundraiser</u>	<u>Profit Percentage to Student</u>	<u>Dates</u>
2019 Fall Ad-Book – Band Show Ads	60% of sales	July 1 – Sept 8, 2019
2019-2020 Super 50/50 Raffles	50% of Sales	Sept. - June
2019 Tail Gate Auction	75 % of sales	TBA Fall of 2019
2019 Holiday Show Tickets	50% of each pre-sold/pre-paid ticket	Dec. 1 - Dec. 20, 2019
2020 Ad-Book – Play Ads	60% of sales	Jan. 2 – March 1, 2020
2020 Band Day/ Music-Thon	100% of pledges collected	Feb. 23, 2020
2018 Band Day Concert	50% of each pre-sold/pre-paid ticket	Feb 1 - Feb 21, 2020

Credits are applied to the students line account for funds raised as they are deposited. Any amounts that are fundraised are non-transferable to the student or family as cash. Unapplied credits will be transferred to the BCHSBBA General Fund upon the student’s graduation or the student withdrawing from the school district.

Note: If a family financial hardship should arise, the Music Director will gladly meet with you to consider alternatives including applications for financial aid.

BCHS Music Program Communications

The BCHS Music Program and its ensembles provide many ways to communicate information about the programs, events, activities, fundraisers, schedules and many other items that are important for you to know.

Please take advantage of all of these methods to stay informed!

The BCHS Music Website:

Visit all of the website links at www.bchsmusic.com to get information about the different programs, annual events, the weekly and monthly schedule, the staff, department news and much more. This site is updated frequently.

REMINDME:

This app is very helpful in keeping students and families involved in the specific groups of the BCHS Music & Performing Arts program informed and aware of last minute changes that may arise. You can sign up for **REMINDME** by simply following these steps:

1 - Enter the following number into your smartphone: 81010

2 - TEXT any one of the following messages to join the group that it references:

BC Blue Devil Marching Band	- @bcblu
BC Blue Devil Jazz Band	- @bcblue
BC Blue Devil Jazz Choir	- @bcblued
BC Blue Devil Choir	- @bcbluede
BC Blue Devil Theater	- @bcbluedev
BC Blue Devil Tech Crew	- @bcbluedevi
BC Blue Devil Color Guard	- @bcblueguard

BCHS Music Broadcast E-Mail Message Information:

If you haven't already signed up for this service, send your name, your student's name, your e-mail address, your preferred telephone contact number and the year your student will graduate to bchsbluedevilmusic@gmail.com Your information will be added to our list and you will be updated on the latest information for music program activities via e-mail during the year, depending on the activities that are coming up.

Global Connect:

This automated phone calling system contacts one phone number per BCHS family providing information about events and activities that may be deemed important by the school district.

Schedule Sheets:

This sheet is distributed to members each week during the particular season to provide the week's practice schedule, performance and competition information and instructions. You can also get a copy of the weekly sheet on the www.bchsmusic.com website on the appropriate ensemble page.

BURLINGTON CITY HS MUSIC BOOSTER ACTIVITIES

INTERESTED IN HAVING A GOOD TIME?? MEETING NEW PEOPLE?? THEN VOLUNTEER!!

Each year we must say good bye to seniors and their parents. At the same time, we would like to offer an opportunity to new members to also serve and become involved. Please read through the descriptions below and find your niche. Remember! The strength of our Organization depends upon each individual to willingly give of their time and support. Experienced boosters are ready to help you learn a job.

BAKING - Baked Goods are needed for Half time at Football Games for the students or at various other Booster supported events. You will be contacted for your turn to supply treats. Most activities require that the whole Band provide food items or baked goods.

CONCERT & AUDITORIUM CONCESSIONS - Volunteers are needed to work concessions during concerts and the play performances.

THE 25th Anniversary BLUE DEVIL FALL CLASSIC BAND SHOW - Chairpersons are needed to coordinate this Marching Band contest which is hosted by BCHS Music Department. In addition, *many* volunteers are needed to sell Tickets, Programs or Raffle Tickets, work concessions, usher people, and monitor parking lot, equipment areas and buses.

CHAPERONES/ DRESSERS - Adults needed to chaperone Busses at Away Football Games & Area Contests (both 1-day events & overnight stays), and help students dress for Football Games, Parades, and all Contests. See the costuming / uniform coordinator to sign up sheet for this service.

HOSPITALITY - Volunteers needed to help with set up & clean up of refreshments for varied get-togethers.

ROOKIE GUIDES - Volunteers provide support and information to Rookie Parents. (must have completed at least 1 year in the program)

FOOTBALL GAME CONCESSIONS - Volunteers are needed to sell Food, Beverages & Spirit wares during Football Games.

WATERING THE STUDENTS - Volunteers are needed to provide water during parades and football games.

PARADE / TROPHY FLOATS - Volunteers needed to help decorate TROPHY FLOATS for the Holiday and Memorial Day Parades

***** "NEW" - SEND OFF TEAM** - Volunteers are needed to create or collect (*or both*) well wishes, cards, notes, care packages from family, faculty, staff and friends for ensemble members and also possibly use them to decorate the music rooms / rehearsal areas or fields & buses before big competitions, performances and/or trips.

BURLINGTON CITY HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC

THE BASICS OF BCHS MUSIC

Participation in Burlington City High School's award-winning Music Program is an opportunity to become involved in one of the school's largest and most active extra-curricular activities.

It begins with summer practices by the marching band and color guard in July, leading into Band Camp, then a full fall schedule of practices, performances and competitions. In the mean time the choir is beginning their year in September along with the Jazz band & Jazz choir. Later on in October / November the auditions for the theater students and the spring musical take place. Late in October and early in November the Marching Band competes at the US Bands NJ State Championships at Rutgers University and at the US Bands NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS held at major NFL Stadiums around the country. All the concert ensembles then earnestly prepare for the Holiday show in December while Indoor color guard begins to get underway.

January sees the full on push for the musical production along with the press for Jazz Band and Jazz Choir in their preparation for Jazz Festivals in February, March, April and the NJ state festival activities end of April.

Every 2 years, the BCHS Music program will travel. We try to alternate between Orlando, Florida where the students perform in Disney World or we will consider taking a similar big trip with performance opportunities somewhere around the country. These trips usually occur during the late spring but some opportunities may come up at other times in the year. The next "Big Trip" is scheduled for the 2019 - 2020 school year.

PHILOSOPHY

The Burlington City High School Music Program has a unique philosophy for rehearsal and performance. It is simply stated:

BE YOUR BEST

Success, as we measure it, is striving to be the best we possibly can be, every day, every practice, and every performance. The only performance we want to beat is our own performance of yesterday. In competitions, the judges are simply people that put down numbers and rank-order the participants. They are trained in either music or performance techniques but still have their personal preferences and opinions. No two people totally agree about performances, and judges certainly are no exception to this. For example, some people prefer precision or "cleanliness" above general effect and excitement, and vice-versa. Trophies, awards and recognitions, when they happen, are "frosting on the cake" and enjoyable, but they are not the goal. Performers have almost total control over their own preparation and performance. However, performers have no control over such things as who else is performing, how prepared those performers are, the preferences of a particular judge, the acoustics of the venue or even the weather. Being your best is a measurement for success that can be achieved by everyone.

2019-2020 Performance Highlights

Marching Band

Thursday July 4 th	Evesham Twp. 4 th of July Parade
Wednesdays for the summer	Marching Band Rehearsals 6-8pm
Sunday, Aug 18	Band Camp at BCHS 12 noon-8pm
Mon-Fri Aug 19-23	Band camp moves to Camp Greenlane, Pa
Monday Aug 26	Monday night practices added to Wednesdays now 6-8:30pm
Thursday Aug 29	Opening day of school performance for Faculty & Staff 8am
Friday, Sep 6	1 st Football Game
Saturday Sept 7	First Saturday practice & Evening Competition @ Edison HS
Saturday Sep 28	Blue Devil Fall Classic Band Competition
Sunday Oct 27	US Bands NJ State Championships – Rowan University
Saturday Nov 2	Homecoming Dance 7pm
Saturday Nov 9	US Bands National Championships – Met-Life Stadium
Saturday Dec 7	City of Burlington Holiday Parade
Wednesday Dec 18	Burlington City High School Holiday Concert and Sr. Cit Dinner

Jazz Ensembles – (Jazz Band & Jazz Choir)

Wednesday Oct. 2	Jazz Choir Rehearsals begin 2:30-3:30 pm
Wednesday Nov. 13	Jazz Band Rehearsals begin 7:30-8:30pm
Friday Feb. 21	Band Day & Jazz Festival Concert
Tuesday Mar. 3	NJ State Jazz Band Festival Semi-finals
Saturday Apr. 24 & 25	NJAJE Jazz Finals

Concert / Symphonic Band & Choir

Monday Oct. 7	Full Choir rehearsals begin 2:30-3:25 pm
Wednesday Nov. 13	Concert Band Rehearsals begin 6:00-7:30pm
Tuesday Dec 17	Dress Rehearsal for Holiday Concert 6pm
Wednesday Dec 18	Holiday Concert 7pm
Friday Feb 28	Band Day with Edgewater Park & Concert at 7pm
Wednesday May 20	BCHS Spring Concert 7pm

Music Theater Production – (To Be Announced)

Monday September 30	First meeting to review Auditions/Participation 2:30-3:00 pm
March 9 – 21, 2020	Weeks of Production & Dinner with the Cast date?

Other Events

DISNEY PERFORMANCCE TRIP	BCHS Bands and Choirs Tentatively May 28-31, 2020
Friday June TBA	BCHS Music Awards Banquet 6-10pm

BCHSBBA Music Dictionary

A

- Ad-Book The program book sold at the Blue Devil Fall Classic band show and distributed throughout the other concerts and performances presented by BCHS Music program including the Spring Musical.
- Awards Night **All** participants in BCHS Music Ensembles and programs are recognized and honored. (Held in June)

B

- Back Drops (also see FLATS) Any scenic pieces used on the football field or in indoor color guard or on stage in theater to be placed behind a scene being performed in front of it.
- Big Trip A once-every-two-year trip by the BCHS Music Students to travel, (performing, learning and experiencing the world).
- Blue Devil Fall Classic The name of our local band competition held at Ray Costello Field at Wilbur Watts Intermediate School Stadium. Also a large means of fundraising.
- Executive Board Meetings Monthly meetings of the BCHS Music Boosters Association, Inc. Executive Board Officers. Open to all Boosters. Time and place announced on website and via email.
- Bulletin Boards Located inside the Band & Choir rooms.
A "Must See" for all students.
- Buttons Picture buttons of performing members and "name" buttons bearing the Booster's name. Helps to put a name with a face or match a parent to a student. (*something we did a long time ago but might be a help as we grow*)

C

- Cabinets Large traveling wheeled closets containing uniforms and maintenance items needed to dress the students for performances. This is where uniforms are kept. They never go home.
- Cabinet Dresser Someone who helps members into and out of their uniforms. They are responsible for the uniforms during performance season.
- Check-Offs Verification by section leaders that a member is in attendance or has mastered elements of the performance (music, drill, etc.).

Checkbook/Check card	A seemingly mandatory piece of survival gear for all Music Booster Parents. Used to pay for personal/lost uniform items, tickets, T-shirts, food, spirit booth items, etc. Don't leave home without it.
Color Guard	Non-instrumental members of the Marching Band, often known simply as the "Guard". They dance and perform with rifles, sabers, flags, and much, much more.
Mini-camps	Introductory training sessions for members held prior to Band Camp.
Concert (symphonic) Band	Open to 7 th - 12th grade students demonstrating a reasonable level of instrumental proficiency. Performs concerts and other functions, studies variety of music/skills/theory for course credit.

D

"DAVE the Minion"	Special Music member/mascot that travels to big competitions for good luck.
DCI	Drum Corps International, a sanctioning and governing organization for private marching corps. Events run through summer.
Dinkles	Black marching shoes purchased by you or your student through the music boosters.
Dr. Beat	Electronic metronome device, used for marching practice. (NOT normally used as an instrument of torture.)
Dressers	Help performers with uniforms/costumes. See also Cabinet Dressers.
Drill Books	Booklet showing movements and positions for field drill. They mark field position to which each member moves during a performance. Each member needs to supply a notebook for drill pages.
Drivers	Daredevil stunt parents who perform "tractor/trailer" tricks with the Equipment trailers, pick-up trucks, scaffolding, Blue Equipment Bus and Unicycles to the awe and edification of all who see. These drivers are licensed and certified to drive our vehicles to where ever our groups may go.

E

Early	Showing up MORE THAN 15 minutes before the scheduled time of a practice or event is early. After that you are just on time.
Email	How you can get the most up to the minute information relating to anything regarding booster and music department activities.
Ensemble	Various performing "sub-groups" of the BCHS Music Program. Consists of selected styles and playing specially arranged music.
Event Coordinator	Parent/Booster in overall charge of running a particular music booster event, activity or fundraiser.

F

Flats	Props used during performances, consisting of decorated fabric stretched over a variety of portable frames.
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G

Gauntlet	Part of marching band uniform, worn at the wrist.
General Meeting	Meeting intended for all Band Boosters: Elections are held at the May / June meeting.
Global Connect	The School District's parent call system.
Going To The Trailer/Bus	Opportunity to congratulate the Band members after a performance at a competition and to get up to the minute information on what's next. Meet where ever the equipment trailers and busses are parked.

H

Holiday Parade	The December Holiday parade and festivities in Burlington City.
Holiday Show	The December Holiday Concert for all performing ensembles. One of the bigger performances throughout the year.

I

J

Jazz Choir Vocal Ensemble that practices before & after school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The Group is selected by audition. Musical focus includes acapella and accompanied Swing Jazz, Funk, and Ballads.

Jazz Band Instrumental Big Band Ensemble that practices in the evenings with added sectionals TBA. The Group is selected by audition. Musical focus includes Swing Jazz, Blues, Funk, Rock and Ballad styles.

L

Late Defined as arriving **AT** the scheduled time of an event or practice.
No No No not in our house!

M

M.S.'rs Apparently a term of endearment for those people in the program who support and respect the philosophy of the music program, its expectations and the instruction offered.

N

Nationals The US Bands National Marching Band Championships Competition often held at MET-LIFE Stadium, The Meadowlands Sports Complex in East Rutherford, N.J., in early November.

NJMEA New Jersey Music Educators Association

O

On-Time Defined as being present 15 minutes **BEFORE** the start of a scheduled event or practice.

One More Time The Directors favorite line.

P

Pit Crew The loosely organized, "super" squad of "jacks of all trades." Adept at all forms of mechanical construction, wood fabrication, electrical power feats of wonder, and audio magic. They see to it that the logistics are in place before the Marching Band goes on to practice and perform.

R

Regionals	US Bands competitions during the fall that are identified by the area of the country in which they are presented.
***Reserve Member	Marching band member who performs in parades and at football games but does not have a full time position in the competition show at present. Reserve members attend all performances, trips, rehearsals, and band camp.
Retreads	Experienced Rookie <u>parents</u> with a younger student joining band as a first year member (see rookie) but who have been around the block with older siblings in band before.
Rookie Buddy	A Veteran family assigned to shepherd new members of the music program and their families through their first year in the program.
Rookie Night	Meeting for incoming Rookies (freshman and transfers) and their parents to meet, and communicate with the director and the Rookie Buddies.
Rookies	First-year members in the BCHS Music Program. They may be freshman, transfer students, or any first-year member upperclassmen.
Run-Through	A complete performance of a show usually near the end of practice. The main reason parents arrive early to pick up kids and catch the growth.
S	
Send-Offs	Exciting decorations, goodies, etc. found in the music hallway usually put together by dedicated parents before Regional and National competitions as well as major concerts and performances. Known to spark enthusiasm and add spirit to the excitement of major competitions and performances.
Senior Dinner	A special dinner for seniors if they choose with the director / staff.
Set	1) Exact location in a Marching Band formation 2) During Marching Band practice, "set" means "ready". 3) The items built to be on stage for the theatrical production scenes.
Skit Night	The last night of Band Camp where sections can do a skit for the right to win best creative & spirited section of the marching band.
Symphonic Band	Open to 7th- through 12th-grade students demonstrating a high level of instrumental proficiency. Performs at concerts and other functions. Studies a variety of music

U

Uniforms The specific performance attire for the ensembles of the BCHS Music Program.

Uniform Fitting Day Designated day for music members to be fitted for uniforms. Hats, pants, tops, coats, or Tuxedos, Gowns, robes etc. are fitted, numbered and stored in uniform cabinets / hat boxes or clothing racks.

V

Veteran Any member who has survived a season / year of BCHS Music.

W

WGI Winter Guard International, sanctioning body of Winter Guard events and competitions.

Waterings Specially trained and motivated Parent/Boosters provide liquid sustenance at parades, band camp, performances and competitions by the marching band.

Website www.bchsmusic.com

Weekly Schedule Sheet The weekly date/time schedule for the Marching Band weekend; Often contains critical information. Always contains place and time information. !!! NOT for Student Eyes ONLY!!!

Mon/Wed Nights Weekly practices for the bands and choirs that afford the Boosters the chance to gather and see and listen to performances of the student work to date. Much Booster business including acquiring and the turning in of Fundraisers, Show Tickets and general information is transacted here with money and products often seen changing hands in the parking lot under low light conditions. **THE** place to get the latest and greatest BCHS Music information. !!!NOT for "insiders" ONLY!!!

Winter Guard Indoor performance and competition group, active during winter months after marching season. (See WGI above).

X

Is for the most X-citing Music program in town!

Y

Y ???.... Because we love the BCHS Music Program and what it offers us!!!

Z

HANDBOOK STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

We the undersigned have read and understand the entire Burlington City High School Music Program & BCHS Music Boosters 2019-2020 Handbook.

Student Band Member: _____ Date: _____
(sign name)

(print name)

Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____
(sign name)

(print name)

Please print this page and bring to Mr. May in the Music office ASAP.

The BCHS MUSIC BOOSTERS VOLUNTEER FORM

The Burlington City HS Music Boosters association has historically been a group of people of varied abilities, talents, and available time. We need your input to be sure that we make volunteer opportunities that are best suited to all. Please take a moment to fill out this survey. *Since circumstances can change for each of us, please don't consider this as binding or committing you to specific tasks.* Check **all** areas that apply & return this form to: Mr. May, One of the BCHSBBA board officers or a support staff member. If you have questions or concerns, call Mr. May at 609-937-4117

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

#1 Phone _____ #2 Phone _____

Preferred Email Address _____

Student Name(s) & Graduation year _____

LEVEL OF ACTIVITY INVOLVEMENT for 2019- 2020 (check all best descriptions for your ability to help)

_____ Music is my life _____ Help on a regular basis with select activity (i.e. concessions, chaperone, spirit booth) _____ Pitch in at special event(s) that require lots of manpower (Soaring Sounds, etc.)

_____ Weekends are best _____ Can volunteer daytime on weekdays _____ Can volunteer evenings on weekdays

_____ Flexible schedule (call me) _____ A Night Owl (late night activities) _____ Help out from home

INTERESTED IN LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT? PLEASE CHECK ANY/ALL THAT APPLY:

_____ EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICER POSITION

_____ Committee CHAIRPERSON _____ Trainee for Committee CHAIRPERSON _____ Assist or Co-Chair Committee

If interested in being a **Committee** position please list the committee(s) that interests you _____

WHAT ARE YOUR TALENTS, INTERESTS, or ABILITIES? MARK THE LEVEL YOU FEEL BEST DESCRIBES YOU.

	INTERESTED	EXPERIENCED	PROFICIENT	PROFESSIONAL
ACCOUNTING				
ART DESIGN/LAYOUT				
AUDIO ELECTRONICS				
BAKING & FOOD PREPARATION				
CALLIGRAPHY, CRAFTS				
COMPUTERS: PROGRAMMING & WEB DESIGN				
COMPUTERS: DATA ENTRY, WORD PROCESSING				
ELECTRICAL WORK				
MECHANICAL & AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR				
MEDICAL TRAINING (LIST TYPE)				
METAL WORKING				
MUSICAL INSTRUMENT (WHAT KIND?)				
PHOTOGRAPHY (STILL PHOTOS)				
PRINTING				
PUBLICITY / PUBLIC RELATIONS				
RETAIL SALES/ADVERTISING/MARKETING				
SEWING (PINNING & CUTTING)				
TRUCK DRIVER (TRAINING IS AVAILABLE)				
WOODWORKING				
VIDEO PHOTOGRAPHY				