GLENOAK HIGH SCHOOL BANDS



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Dear GO Band Members and Families,

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Our first week of band camp has been very successful and our students have been working very hard! We have been able to learn all of our Pregame Show and begin learning our Halftime Show. I hope you are hearing the students practice their music at home as well!

As we look ahead to the second week of band camp, I wanted to share a few important announcements.

- **1. Week 2 Schedule Change:** Students were alerted on Friday that the schedule will be modified for this upcoming week. Typically we would be preparing for the Hall of Fame Parade and need all the rehearsal time planned in the schedule. This week, our rehearsals will run from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM, Monday through Thursday. Students will still begin each rehearsal in their specific groups, just as we did in Week 1 of band camp.
- **2. Band Parent Show:** We will be postponing our Band Parent Show scheduled for Thursday, August 6. Schools are currently not holding any public events in stadium venues right now. Until plans are approved by local health departments for hosting crowds in stadiums, we need to postpone this event. In the short-term, we hope to share some videos with you later this week of our progress.
- 3. Weather Alert for Monday & Tuesday: Please check your email and/or band website by noon on Monday and Tuesday. There is the potential of rehearsal cancellation due to storms in the area during our rehearsals. As of today (8/2) all rehearsals this week will occur as planned.
- **4. Email Issues:** It has been brought to my attention that some students are not receiving band emails. This seems to mostly affect Freshmen. The addresses have been checked and rechecked. There could be filters in place preventing some students from receiving these. On my end, none are showing up as undelivered or bounced. Parents, please share your emails with your band students.
- **5. Photo Day, Friday, August 7:** Students received photo packets and information on Friday, July 31st. I have also attached the schedule and information. The schedule allows us to have only small groups of students inside the building at one time to change into their uniforms. Photos are taken by Rick Black Photography. You do not have to order photos but we do want every student to be photographed. If you are ordering photos, follow the directions on the packet. Payments are made to Rick Black Photo and should be brought with students when they get their picture taken on Friday. We are not taking any section (ie Flute Section, Trumpet Section) or group pictures because of the social distancing requirement so please do not order section photos. Mr. Black does take all the individual photos to make a full band picture. That sample is on the front of the order packet.
- **6. OHSAA and the 2020 Football Season:** On Friday, OSHAA reconfirmed their commitment to having a regular football season. Until further information is provided which would alter this plan, we are going to continue moving forward in our preparations for our first football game on August 28th.
- 7. August Rehearsals After Band Bamp: All rehearsals through August 17 will occur as planned at this time.
- 8. 5th Grade Recruitment Concert for August 19th is Cancelled

In closing, thank you for your continued support and flexibility.

On Eagles! Chris Irwin