



# RIVERSIDE REGIMENT 2020 SUMMER NEWSLETTER

Band Office: 440-358-8316

Band Info Line: 440-358-8317

## 2020-2021 Regiment Info

It's time to start thinking about marching band for this upcoming season. I am looking forward to an exciting, energized and well-polished band. This year is going to bring challenges and triumphs. At no time in the Regiment's history have we needed to be as FLEXIBLE, OPEN and UNDERSTANDING as we now need to be. Together, we can make this an awesome season.

With the ever-changing dynamics brought on by COVID-19, it has been extremely challenging the last few months to put the pieces together on how everything will operate as it relates to the marching band. Just to name a few, here are some of the items that the Regiment directors, along with the Riverside Campus administrators, have been working on to keep everyone safe: Entrance/exit of the building ... temperature/symptom screening ... sanitizing/cleaning ... instrument storage ... rehearsal procedures ... maximum group numbers ... spacing/mask requirements ... etc.

With that said, it is still our goal for this to be the most exciting, energized and well-polished band possible. And like always, it begins with people. Please give those people you know that didn't sign up for marching band a call and see if you can change their minds—the more the merrier. **If you have changed their mind or yours, call immediately (358-8316)** and leave a message at school so that we can write the drills with the correct number of people in mind.

Make sure you start practicing now! It has been an extraordinarily long time since you have had any consistent playing time. Find a pop song online, pull out an old book or tune. Build your chops with something fun!

Marching band is a great organization to belong to. It takes commitment, hard work and responsibility to make a great band. Every member of the Regiment is an equally important asset to the band; regardless of what your position is or what instrument you play. We count on everyone to make the band look and sound great!

Our first football game will be August 28 vs Perry. We do have several Saturday commitments and not everything is finalized. I will pass any new commitments on as soon as I can. Everyone is expected to participate in ALL Regiment functions whether scheduled now or not. Check the schedule carefully so you can plan accordingly. **Call off work now. Don't buy concert tickets, Cedar Point, etc.!**

**All** rehearsals and performances are **mandatory** and **100%** attendance is expected from everyone. Remember, the printed times that rehearsals start are the actual time we start rehearsing. "If you're on time, you're late!" That means be early—allow yourself time to gather materials you need, warm-up and make the walk to the field if necessary. Traffic, trains, etc. are NOT excuses to be late.

**After school practices are tentatively EVERY Monday (2:40-4:30) and Thursday (2:40-5:00) after school. There are a few exceptions. See schedule—this schedule will change. Please keep updating your calendar with the newest schedules. Squads are required to put in extra time outside normal practice with their Squads.**

### **Squad Leader Stuff**

Attention **ALL** members who want to be Squad Leaders. Call the band office at **358-8316** and leave a message saying that you want to be a Squad Leader. (This is your first test.)

## **Freshman/New Member Parent Meeting!**

There will be a **mandatory** Freshman and New Member parent informational meeting the first day of marching band. The meeting is ...

**Monday, August 3 at 7:30 p.m.**  
**LOCATION TBD.**

*PLEASE NOTE: This meeting is open to ANY other Regiment parents interested in how band will function this season and are more than welcome to attend.*

Your students will already be at rehearsal and you can pick them up when the meeting is over.

## **Pay-To-Participate Info**

**The fee for marching band (as we know it now) for 2020 is \$150.00. The entire amount must be paid in full by Friday, Sep. 18.**

> **Before Sep. 8**, payment(s) can ONLY be made online in INFINITE CAMPUS (payment module) — NOT THE BAND SITE!

> **After Sep. 8**, all pay-to-participate fees can be paid in the main Riverside High School office during the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

*Please mark/notate marching band when paying online. Thank you.*

## **Band Texting (Remind)**

Please join the Regiment's free texting service.

Text: @20Reg1 to 81010 ...or...

@20Reg2 to 81010 ...or...

@20Reg3 to 81010.

*(There is limited space in each, please move to the next group when full.)*

Regiment Twitter — @RHSRegiment

# Riverside Regiment Band Camp — 2020

## Summer Uniform

Summer uniform consists of **PLAIN BLACK** shorts, white socks (no-show socks are NOT good), marching shoes and your band t-shirt (this will be provided during band camp.)

You must have these items ready during camp. We will be taking our pictures in full uniform if the weather and all else cooperates. If not, we will be wearing the summer uniform.

We will also use this uniform for the Preview Night, Homecoming Parade, Memorial Day Parade and occasionally a football game.

## Band Info Line

You can call the **Band Info Line — 358-8317** — at anytime to get up-to-date information regarding Riverside Campus band events and schedules and also marching band call times, return times, rehearsal information, etc. It is updated throughout the year too.

## Band Texting (Remind)

Please join the Regiment's free texting service — text @20Reg1 or @20Reg2 or @20Reg3 to 81010. *(There is limited space in each, please move to the next group when full.)*

**!!!! NEW !!!!**

## Regiment Google Classroom

Please join the new 2020 Regiment Google Classroom.  
Class code: **gqvzryy**

## Important Info

Here is a list of some very important things you need to bring to Band Camp each day: your LUNCH, **water**, instrument, **flip folder** (EVERYONE MUST HAVE ONE with your name on it—you can get one at Pfabes), music, a pencil, sun screen, **water**, sun glasses, valve oil and extra reeds. Make sure you wear good, comfortable shoes and socks. **Socks must be worn at all times.** A good pair of athletic shoes and white socks will work the best and help avoid blisters and sore feet.

**NO sandals or flip-flops of any kind for ANY band practice!**

## Regiment Supplies

**Every** playing student in the Regiment is required to have a flip folder for the season—starting the first day of Band Camp Session II.

**Put your name on it—every page!** You will need more empty pages than it will come with. You can purchase those separately. Most of you will also need a lyre to hold the flip folder while you are on the field.

## Uniform Fittings

Uniform fittings will be immediately after camp; Seniors will be Friday of Session I, everyone else is Session II. Please see the schedule and sign up for a time when it's posted. We will do them as quickly as possible. Please be patient. It does take some time.

There is a \$50.00 uniform fee that is due at the time of fitting. This will cover dry-cleaning at the end of the season, one pair of gloves and repair. There is a \$20.00 deposit built in that will be returned if everything gets turned in properly at the conclusion of the season. New shoes are approximately \$30.00. A new uniform costs around \$550.00 to replace. Just the brass buttons are over a dollar each. Be careful with your uniform. Treat your uniform with care!

## Uniform Help Needed

Help is needed to get the uniforms organized, cleaned and ready for fitting. We will meet on Mon., Aug. 3 from 9:00 to noon; Wed., Aug. 5 from 9:00 to noon and 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.; Thur. Aug. 6 from 9:00 to 11:00. Help will also be needed during the season for minor repairs, replacement pieces, etc. We arrive one hour before call time to accommodate students.

Workers are desperately needed for uniform distribution (see schedule). Workers meet at 1:30 p.m. Fri. Aug. 7–Thur., Aug. 13 and we are usually done around 6:00 p.m. or earlier. Help is needed for measuring, fitting, gloves, hats, raincoats, shoes, checkout, etc.

Time sign-up sheets will be available to students (possibly online this year.) Make sure your student signs up for a time. Please let me know if you can help with any of these items related to uniforms.

**Sarah Strimpel** -- Uniform Chair  
Strimpels@hotmail.com ... Cell — 216-856-1334 Thanks!

## Who's the new guy?

A big welcome goes out to **Mr. Brad Allen**, the new Riverside Bands director (8th and 9th grades) and assistant Regiment Director. Mr. Allen is a 2000 Riverside graduate and former member of the Regiment. He has a Bachelor's of Music in Education with instrumental emphasis from Ashland Univ. and a Master's of Music in Education from Boston Univ. Welcome home, Mr. Allen!



The Band Boosters are looking to get more people involved with this great organization whether it be chaperoning, working the concession stand for one game, working at a concert, working on a committee, holding an office or just being there for suggestions. There are a variety of jobs with varying time commitments. The first informational meeting of the year will be on **Monday, Aug. 10 at 7:00 p.m. Location TBD**

**If you have any questions, change in status or have anything regarding marching band, please call immediately at 358-8316 and leave a message.**  
*See you soon!*

**– PLEASE SEE SCHEDULE –**  
*All times are tentative and could change. Flexibility will be necessary by everyone.*

*Mr. Schwartz, Mr. Allen,  
Mr. Wolf, Mr. Wolf*



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## — Tentative Camp Schedule —



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### **Band Camp Session I**

Monday, 8/3	9:00-11:00	Freshman/Seniors (incl. Aux)
	1:00-3:00	Sophomores/Juniors (incl. Aux)
	7:00-9:00	ALL (incl. Aux)
	7:30-9:00	Parent Meeting
Tuesday, 8/4	9:00-11:00	ALL
Wednesday, 8/5	9:00-11:00	Freshman/Seniors (incl. Aux)
	1:00-3:00	Sophomores/Juniors (incl. Aux)
	7:00-9:00	ALL (incl. Aux)
Thursday, 8/6	9:00-11:00	ALL
Friday, 8/7	8:30-11:30	Squad leaders
	1:00-3:00	ALL ( <i>A &amp; B squads announced</i> )

### **Band Camp Session II**

Monday, 8/10	8:30-3:30	A squads and percussion
	9:00-2:45	B squads (Aux on own)
Tuesday, 8/11	8:30-3:30	B squads (Aux on own)
	9:00-2:45	A squads and percussion
Wednesday, 8/12	8:30-3:30	A squads and percussion
	9:00-2:45	B squads (Aux on own)
Thursday, 8/13	8:30-3:30	B squads (Aux on own)
	9:00-2:45	A squads and percussion
Friday, 8/14	TBD	Rainy day make-up or nothing

### **Band Camp Session III**

Monday, 8/17	9:00-12:00	A squads (Aux on own)
Tuesday, 8/18	9:00-12:00	B squads (Aux on own)
Wednesday, 8/19	8:30-12:00	Scheduled individual picture times
Thursday, 8/20	6:00-9:00	ALL (night rehearsal)
Monday, 8/24	6:00-9:00	ALL (night rehearsal)
Thursday, 8/27	6:00-8:30	ALL (night rehearsal)
Friday, 8/28	6:10	1 <sup>st</sup> game-Perry (home)

# **Riverside High School Bands**

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July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

At this time, our plan is to be “a go” on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Obviously, things will look very different this season, but we will adjust accordingly and do what we need to do. As we learn more, we will be sharing important updates with you on what our rehearsals will look like. While some of these guidelines might not be what everyone is used to, as an organization it is very important that we ALL do what we need to do so that we can have a season. I will do my best to make every minute enjoyable with my fantastic wit and sarcasm...you do your best by showing up prepared, having a positive attitude and laughing at my jokes. It is important that we stay flexible, smart, and roll with it. As always, I'm sure we're going to have a blast doing whatever it is we are about to do together...and to do it to the best of our abilities.

## **Rehearsal Guidelines and Expectations**

Please review the following information. With an organization as large as ours, it is important that we each do our part to ensure a safe and successful season. Please share this information with anyone and everyone. As time passes, we will update this information as needed, but this is our starting point.

Those individuals (and family members) experiencing symptoms must stay home and report your symptoms to the appropriate health officials. Symptoms include but are not limited to:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- It is important that social distancing is adhered to before, during, and after rehearsals. This means you shouldn't be ride sharing, etc. The hardest time for you to social distant will be when moving from area to area. Please take care of each other. We have a responsibility to each other to ensure that this activity can safely take place.

- There will be no access to the band rooms for the time being (unless you need a school-owned instrument.) All students must bring their equipment to and from rehearsal.
- You must bring YOUR OWN water bottle and supply of water for the entire day. Water fountains inside of the building are turned off. You must NOT share for any reason-this includes “water falling.”
- All students will meet at the band practice field (*outside of the board room.*) Do not enter the building at this time.

## **Outdoor/Indoor Band Rehearsal Considerations**

- When scheduling, directors will consider building occupancy or gathering standards, entry points and available interior space. As recommended by the CDC and the Ohio Department of Health, physical distancing guidelines will be preserved in the case a group enters the building due to inclement weather or emergency. Entering the building during inclement weather will be a last resort-if inclement weather is in the forecast, rehearsals will be cancelled.
- Participants will properly wear masks at all times when not music making. Excessive heat will be taken into consideration.
- Directors and participants must self-screen before coming to campus for symptoms of illness or contact with a person confirmed to have COVID-19. Students must take their temperature before coming to campus. We will have a log that you must sign in stating your temperature when you arrive each day.
- Consider staggered arrivals or parking in every other space for student drivers
- No group restroom breaks. Students will be permitted to use the restrooms one at a time when needed.
- Proper protocols will be used when sharing of equipment cannot be avoided. There should be no sharing of wind instruments or percussion. Do not ask someone to carry your instrument, case or other materials for you.
- Rehearsal groups will remain consistent through summer rehearsals for the purpose of contact tracing in the event a COVID-19 case is identified among students/staff.
- Directors will keep an accurate log of attendance at all rehearsals; student sign-in for possible contact tracing in the event a COVID-19 case is identified.
- Directors will wear a face mask or face covering until the point that proximity to students is moot - for example, director is positioned on an observation deck, sideline, etc. and students on a marching field
- Drill will be written to keep social distancing- our drill this year will be at a minimum of 3 step spacing, which is approximately 6 feet apart.

- Students will not share water bottles. Each student must bring their own container (clearly labeled with their name) for water during rehearsals. Refilling will not be available. There is to be no sharing of food or beverages.
- All rehearsals, including music, will be held outside when possible. If indoor spaces must be used, students must adhere to CDC/Ohio Department of Health distance and room usage guidelines.
- When entering the building, band room or instrument room is necessary, specific doors will be marked as incoming and outgoing. Please adhere strictly to this policy.
- Students should wipe down/sanitize their school-owned instruments at the conclusion of each rehearsal.
- No parents/alumni/etc. will be permitted near rehearsal spaces, except pre-approved volunteers who have been properly screened for COVID 19.
- We are asking that our tradition of parents viewing our final rehearsal (or any others) be suspended this year. While we know this is an enjoyable experience, please understand that any congregating or lack of social distancing is going to get us shut down.
- Students/families will be asked to bring their own hand sanitizer to each rehearsal.
- Students must maintain six feet of separation when not rehearsing. (No hanging out in groups during breaks, lunch, at their cars, space out when traveling from place to place, etc.)
- Students must leave immediately once rehearsal has concluded. Students may arrive up to 30 minutes early to set up and clean equipment but must continue to maintain the 6 foot social distance.

*Students not adhering to COVID-19 protocols will be sent home.*

***Information will be added and changed as it becomes available. This is a working document and changes will be required.***

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Updated 7/20/20

# 2020 Calendar

August • September • October • November

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 <b>JULY</b>	27	28	29	30	31	<b>AUGUST 1</b>
	<i>Dust off instrument</i>	<i>Self Practice</i>	<i>Build Chops</i>	<i>Self Practice</i>	<i>PLAY HORN!</i>	
<div> <div>New Parent Mtg. 7:30pm</div> <div></div> </div>	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Fr/Sr/Aux 9-11 So/Jr/Aux 1-3 ALL 7-9 Par. Meet 7:30-9	ALL 9-11	Fr/Sr/Aux 9-11 So/Jr/Aux 1-3 ALL 7-9	ALL 9-11	ALL Squad Leaders 8:30-11:30 Everyone 1:00-3:00pm  Sr. Uniforms 3:00pm-	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Band Camp A's/P 8:30-3:30 B's 9:00-2:45 Jr. Uniforms 2:45pm-  <i>Booster Mtg. 7:00pm</i>	Band Camp B's 8:30-3:30 A's/P 9:00-2:45 So. Uniforms 2:45pm-	Band Camp A's/P 8:30-3:30 B's 9:00-2:45 Fr. Uniforms 2:45pm-	Band Camp B's 8:30-3:30 A's/P 9:00-2:45	Inclement weather Make-up Day or NOTHING	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Band Camp A's/Perc 9-12 Aux on own	Band Camp B's/Perc 9-12 Aux on own	Scheduled individual pictures 8:30-12	Band Camp ALL 6-9		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	ALL 6-9pm			ALL 6-8:30pm (Bring hat/boxes)	<b>Game 1 - (7:30)</b> <b>PERRY</b> <b>Call: 6:10</b> <b>Ret: 9:30-10:00</b>	
30	31	1 <b>SEPT.</b>	2	3	4	5
	ALL 6-8:30pm			ALL 6-8:30pm	<b>Game 2 - (7:00)</b> <b>@KIRTLAND</b> <b>Call: TBD</b> <b>Ret: TBD</b>	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	<i>Labor Day</i>	<i>1st Day of School</i> After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30pm		After School Rehearsal 2:40-5:00pm	<b>Game 3 - (7:00)</b> <b>RHODES</b> <b>Call: 6:10</b> <b>Ret: 9:30-10:00</b>	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30  <i>Booster Mtg. 7:00pm</i>			After School Rehearsal 2:40-5:00pm (1st Squad Time Due)	<b>Game 4 - (7:00)</b> <b>CHARDON</b> <b>Call: 6:10</b> <b>Ret: 9:30-10:00</b>	<b>Stow Band Show???</b> <b>Call: TBD</b> <b>Ret: TBD</b>

2020 Regiment Calendar cont'd on next page

## ALL Rehearsals & Performances are Mandatory

"Be Early. If you're On Time, You're Late." • After-school rehearsals will be:

**Mondays 2:40-4:30 and Thursdays from 2:40 pm-5:00 pm**

• Also, there will be one Tues. practice on Sept. 8.

• Squads also required to put in extra time between rehearsals during the season. (See calendar)



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# 2020 Calendar

August • September • October • November

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20 <b>SEP</b>	21	22	23	24	25	26
	After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30pm		<b>Lake County Band Show???</b> @ Mentor (7:00) <b>*Call: TBD</b> <b>Ret: 10:30-11:00</b>	After School Rehearsal 2:40-5:00pm	<b>Game 5 – (7:00)</b> <b>@MADISON</b> <b>Call: 5:45</b> <b>Ret: 10:00-10:30</b>	
27	28	29	30	1 <b>OCTOBER</b>	2	3
	After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30pm			After School Rehearsal 2:40-5:00pm	<b>Game 6 – (7:00)</b> <b>NORTH</b> <b>Call: 6:10</b> <b>Ret: 19:30-10:00</b>	<b>Hudson Band Show???</b> <b>Call: TBD</b> <b>Ret: TBD</b>
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30pm (2 <sup>nd</sup> Squad Time Due)			<b>Homecoming Parade – (7:00)</b> <b>Call: 5:30</b> <b>Ret: 7:15-7:45</b>	<i>No School-Fall Break</i> <b>Game 7 – (7:00)</b> <b>BRUSH</b> <b>Call: 5:00</b> <b>Ret: 9:30-10:00</b> <b>Alumni Band/ Homecoming??</b>	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30pm <u>Booster Mtg.</u> <u>7:00pm</u>			After School Rehearsal 2:40-5:00pm	<b>Game 8 – (7:00)</b> <b>@ MAYFIELD</b> <b>Call: 5:15</b> <b>Ret: 10:30-11:00</b>	Tag Day?? 9:30am-12:30pm
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30pm			After School Rehearsal 2:40-5:00pm  (3 <sup>rd</sup> Squad Time Due)	<b>Game 9 – (7:00)</b> <b>@KENSTON</b> <b>Call: 5:00</b> <b>Ret: 10:45-11:15</b>	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	After School Rehearsal 2:40-4:30pm			After School Rehearsal 2:40-5:00pm	<b>Game 10 – (7:00)</b> <b>SOUTH</b> <b>Sr. Parents' Night</b> <b>Call: 6:00</b> <b>Ret: 9:30-10:00</b>	
1 <b>NOV.</b>	2	3	4	5	6	7
			<b>Regiment Pasta Dinner/Concert</b> <b>Call: 4:00</b> <b>Concert: 7:00</b> <b>Ret: 10:00-10:30</b>		Playoff Game???	Memorial Day Parade- 5/31/21 Call: 9:15

**GAME DAY — Uniform inspection and equipment drop begins 30 minutes before printed call time.**

***Be on bus (Away games) or BEHIND the band room (Home games) at the printed Call time.***

Pregame begins approx. 20 minutes before the game. • Please be on time to pick up your students!

**ALL Rehearsals AND Performances are MANDATORY!**

“Be Early. If you’re On Time, You’re Late.” • After-school rehearsals:

**Mondays from 2:40 pm – 4:30 pm. • Thursdays from 2:40 pm – 5:00 pm**

Also, there is one Tues. practice on Sept. 8 • Make arrangements to be at these events well in advance.

Do not wait until the week of to call off work, classes or other commitments.

This schedule will have some changes made to it.

We must be flexible. ... **Communicate! Communicate! Communicate!**

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*Memorial Day Parade – 5/31/21*