



## Greetings and Welcome to the 2008 Season of the Brunswick High Marching Railroaders!

A lot of information is being distributed today. It is very important that you go down the list and make sure you complete everything on schedule. Here's what to watch for:

Items due by the end of the first week of Band Camp (August 8<sup>th</sup>)

- **Band Fee.** A band/color guard fee is required of each band/color guard member.
- **Yellow Emergency Form.** This form serves two purposes. The first is to provide contact information (address, phone, email) for the student and parents. This information will be used to inform you of BHS band related activities. The second is to provide emergency medical information in the event that medical personnel must be contacted to care for your band student. If your band student has completed a physical within the past year, please attach a copy. Although not required, a current physical is recommended since Band Camp can be very demanding physically. This must be completed and notarized by the end of the first week of Band Camp.
- **T-Shirt/Sweatshirt Order Form.** Each member is required to purchase a short sleeve t-shirt. The band members wear these shirts to parades, competitions and other events in the tri-state area. The purchase of a sweatshirt or sweatpants is optional. Family and friends are encouraged to purchase t-shirts and sweatshirts also!
- **Friends of the Band Form.** You can have your name or your family's name appear on the back of the t-shirt!

Items due by the first competition in Martinsburg (September 20<sup>th</sup>)

- **Train banks.** As a fundraiser, we ask each band member to bring home a train bank and have their family place spare change in the bank daily. We will collect these banks on September 20<sup>th</sup> as the band prepares to leave for their first competition in Martinsburg.

Other items occurring during Band Camp

- **Information from the Band Director.** Mr. Glidewell will be sending home a lot of important information including what is expected of each band student.
- **Shoe and glove sales.** During Band Camp, we hope to fit each band member for marching shoes and each color guard member for color guard shoes. Additionally, we will be ordering gloves which are required for band and color guard members. Freshmen will be fitted during the last day of freshman mini-camp. Cash or checks will be required the day orders are placed. A pricing sheet will be sent home separately. Contact Robin Webber ([robin-webber@comcast.net](mailto:robin-webber@comcast.net) or 301-371-7868) if you have questions.

- **Picnic.** Our Marching Railroaders will be performing the field show they have learned at band camp on Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. This show will be followed by a family picnic at 7:00 pm. Please check out the picnic flier to see what your family should bring to the picnic!

**The Band Boosters meet on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the BHS library.** Enter the school through the main doors (on the left) and go to the library behind the stairs. The meetings are an excellent way to show your support and keep informed of upcoming events. We are always looking for new and profitable ways of fundraising. If you have any ideas, bring them to a meeting or contact one of the Band Booster Officers.

**On October 25<sup>th</sup>, the BHS Band Boosters will be hosting our very own Tournament of Bands competition called “Take the ACC Train”.** We currently have 8 bands from Frederick and Carroll counties signed up to participate and we are hoping for more! This is a major undertaking and all families are encouraged to participate. In fact, call all your friends! We will need as much help as possible. Help will be needed with food, parking, band control and other jobs too numerous to mention. Last year’s show was a resounding success, and we anticipate an even better one this year. Please contact Jim Moler (jim.moler@gmail.com or 301-473-9260) to volunteer or to find out more information.

**We will keep you informed of current and upcoming events through e-mail and through our website, [www.railroaderband.org](http://www.railroaderband.org).** Please check the website for:

- Rehearsal Dates and Times
- Home Football Games – Dates and Times
- Competition Dates/Times and Directions
- Fundraising Events
- Minutes to Band Booster Meetings

Thanks to everyone for your support and enthusiasm in what we know will be a super season for the Brunswick High Marching Railroaders! If you or your band student ever has any questions or concerns, feel free to contact any member of the Band Boosters Executive Board.

The Band Boosters Executive Board

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