

Alpena High School Bands
Marching Band Week
August 20-24, 2018

Dear Parents and Students:

Welcome to the 2018-19 Alpena High School band program! Please read both sides of this letter carefully.

All students enrolled in Symphony Band and Wind Ensemble are automatically members of the Wildcat Marching Band. As part of this commitment, students are **expected to be present** during marching band week, which takes place at the Alpena High School band room.

You can be involved with sports and band. Please communicate with Mr. Gozzard about any scheduling conflicts as soon as possible

Thursday, August 16

6-8pm Leadership Training (Squad Leaders and Drum Majors only)

Sunday, August 19

4-6pm Registration & Uniform Fittings (Freshmen, New Members, Drumline)

6-8pm Drumline Training & Uniform Fittings (All other members)

Monday, August 20

8:00am Freshmen, New Members, and Leadership report

11:30am "Bring-your-own" Lunch

12:00pm 10-12 grade members report

4:00pm Dismissal

Tuesday, August 21

2:00pm All members report

6:00pm "Bring-your-own" dinner

9:00pm Dismissal

Wednesday, August 22

2:00pm All members report

6:00pm "Bring-your-own" dinner

9:00pm Dismissal

Thursday, August 23

2:00pm All members report

6:00pm "Bring-your-own" dinner

9:00pm Dismissal

Friday, August 24

TBD

7:00pm Home Game

Students, please wear tennis shoes and dress appropriately for the weather – we will be outside each day. Although some water is provided, we encourage you to bring a full water bottle.

Below is the schedule for all of our home football games. All marching events are required and count for a grade. Makeup is only allowed under certain circumstances.

8/24	Home Football Game	7pm
9/21	Home Football Game	7pm
9/29	Home Football Game	4pm (Note: This is a Saturday game)
10/12	Home Football Game	7pm
10/19	Home Football Game	7pm

Costs for band are listed below. If a family has difficulty with any of these, please contact myself or an AHS Band Booster Officer regarding fee waivers. All students ordering need to fill out the order form and bring it with them on August 19th.

Marching Band Gloves	\$4.00	Freshmen (or as needed) only, Due August 19
Marching Drillmaster shoes	\$30.00	Freshmen (or as needed) only, Due August 19
Band Camp Fee	\$5.00	Everyone, Due August 19
Marching Band Cleaning Fee	\$20.00	Everyone, Due August 19
Concert Uniform Cleaning Fee	\$25.00	TBD
Instrument Lyre	\$5.00	Recommended

We will be using flip folders clipped to an instrument lyre for rehearsals this year. The flip folders will be provided to all new members but it is recommended that each student brings their own lyre to camp. These can be purchased at Joel's Guitar Shop, Marshall Music, or almost any other music store. All returning students must replace their flip folder if lost or damaged.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. I am excited to have you be apart of the band program and look forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

Mr. Gozzard

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