



Carvers Bay High School Bands

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Welcome to the Carvers Bay Band!

I am thrilled to be your new Band Director and can't wait to meet each of you! My #1 goal this summer is to encourage as many of you as possible to show up to the first day of Band Camp on August 2!! If you are a new student, or entering your senior year and have never marched, I hope that you (students *and* parents!) will be involved in the one of the most active organizations at Carvers bay...the Carvers Bay Marching Band!!

I'm sure that you have many questions about the Band program under the direction of your new Band Director. For returning students, I will work tirelessly to ensure that you have your best year in band yet! For new students, I will strive to make your transition to the high school Band experience as easy as possible. Please take a few minutes to look at the following important items as a starting point for your participation in the Carvers Bay Band:

Band Camp – July 29 and Aug 2-Aug. 5 from 8:00AM-5:00 PM

This is a fun way for all students to get introduced to the the musical and physical demands and requirements of the Marching Band activity. All Marching Band students should plan to attend, bring their instrument, dress in workout attire, and wear athletic shoes (no flip-flops or sandals please!). Please contact the Band Office if you know of an unavoidable conflict.

The Summer Schedule, Band Camp, and the Fall Marching Season

The preliminary schedule of all Marching Band activities, rehearsals, and performances is included in this mailing. Please take a few minutes to look at the schedule. The Band, just like any of the Varsity sports, is active in mid/late July and August prior to the start of the school year.

The Band season begins with Band Camp (Aug 2-Aug. 5) and ends with the Local Christmas Parade in December.

Coming Soon!!! - The Band Website -

I am working on creating a website for the Carvers Bay Band Program. It will be packed with information designed specifically to help keep students and parents up to date with all of the many Band activities, post announcements and schedules, and answer questions. Stay tuned for more information!

Student Section Leaders

Over the course of the next few weeks, your students' Section Leader will be in contact to invite you to a fun activity and to answer any questions you may have about the Band program. These are upperclassmen who have been selected for their experience, dedication, and knowledge of the Band program, and can serve as a tremendous resource for students AND parents!

Email - The Fanfare!

During the school year, I will send out email update of announcements, and also use the Band email list to disseminate information about events, schedules, and/or other Band news. Please help me get important information to you by ensuring that I have an accurate, up-to-date email address. All students will be included on this email list through their student/school email accounts, but parents should also submit their "personal" accounts (Yahoo, Gmail, Hotmail, etc). If you have not yet received an email from me, I do not have your correct address! Please email [a](#) and I will add you to the Band email list.

Questions? Contact Me by texting with specific questions at 803-308-4863

I want your Band experience (students AND parents) to be as positive and rewarding as possible. Taking a few minutes to get informed and stay current with everything that happens in the Band will make your participation in the Carvers Bay High School Band one of the highlights of your High School experience!

Sincerely,

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