

~ Present Dates ~

September 2019

Tuesday, September 3 TCMB Rehearsal – 2:30-5pm

Friday, September 6 TCMB @ Troy Athens

Report in full uniform to Troy Athens HS (the John R or east side

of the building, no transportation provided) by 6pm

Monday, September 9, 16, 23, 30 **TCMB Rehearsal** – 2:30-5pm

Friday, September 13 TCMB Homecoming Parade and Home Game #1 - Report in

regulation wear by 4pm

Friday, September 20 TCMB @ Home Game #2 - Report in regulation wear by 4pm

Band Family Tailgate Party, 5-6:30pm

Saturday, September 21 Groves High School Marching Band Invitational - schedule to

follow

Saturday, September 28 Athens High School Marching Band Invitational - schedule to

follow

~ Proclamations ~

Dear Band Parents,

GREETINGS and welcome to the first edition of the band communication newsletter, *The Perfect Pitch*. We are very excited to have your child participating in this outstanding music program. There are many great musical experiences in store for TCMB, Campus, Cadet, Concert, Symphonic and Jazz Ensemble members!

TUNE IN! In addition to the monthly newsletter, we will communicate via occasional "flash" emails (reminders, new information and urgent notices), booster meetings, and the <u>band website</u>. You can also "follow us" on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>, "subscribe" to our <u>YouTube</u> channel and "like us" on <u>Facebook</u>. Please contact Band Booster Vice President Carol Jean if you need to update your email address at <u>THBB_VicePresident@TroyColtBands.org</u>.

THANK YOU to each of you who have made donations or volunteered skills, talents and time to the Troy Colt Marching Band thus far. Your backing has nurtured unprecedented success with our 235-member ensemble! We have the most amazing and generous supporters to be found! TCMB parents are second to none!

A WORD FROM OUR FUNDRAISING CHAIRPERSON

Dear Band Families - Students and Parents,

WOW! Quite a wonderful three days for our TCMB community! A 24-HR March-A-Thon on Thursday-Friday, followed by the annual Car Wash on Saturday! I am overwhelmed with a feeling of thankfulness for you and this community!

As a Spiderman fan, I quote, "With great power comes great responsibility". And, with the "great power" of our talented band members and visionary directors comes the responsibility to fund the amazing opportunities. You, as a Marching Band Family, were supportive and willing to keep building this amazing organization. Thank you!

SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR MARCH-A-THON

- Our parent volunteers covered all the shifts necessary! Mr. Greenwood took on the 3am-8am shift with the other adults!
- Troy Police provided a flashing police car as encouragement for the 3:30am Marchers.
- Great publicity on Twitter and Facebook, as well as TV and news brought in donors that were past band members or citizens that love our band!
- Our band student members brought enjoyment and dedication to the shift that they marched!
- Our community stores love us. Starbucks donated coffee and scones. Two Kroger stores donated Lucky Charms cereal and milk. (One stranger came to donate money because he saw students in PJ pants at Starbucks after their marching shift. He was so impressed, he stopped by our event just to donate because of our students!)
- The last time Mr. Nutting put on this fundraiser was for the European trip to England 13 years ago! It lasted for about 5 days!

On a personal note, I am thankful for you all. The Fundraising Chair had been vacant for a few years. I stepped in about a month ago and this was the first event to execute. Band parents immediately said "yes" to help seek corporate donations and support the goals. During the March-A-Thon, I was able to meet so many of the lovely parents that make up our band, volunteering their time.

Looking forward to a great year with our lovely and talented TCMB! Go Colts!

Warmly,

Lisa D'Souza THBB Fundraising Chair 248-989-9696 **PHOTOGRAPHERS/VIDEOGRAPHERS NEEDED:** If you love to capture your child's days with the camera or video camera, the TCMB would love your help! We would like to have a comprehensive capture of the band members' activities. If you are willing to share your photos, videos and talent, please email TroyColtBands.org for more information! It's as simple as adding to a Google Photos inbox from your phone!

PARENT CHAPERONES NEEDED: Sarah Wright, THBB Chaperone Coordinator has posted a list of Fall marching band-related events for which parents are invited to serve as chaperones. For a list of chaperone opportunities and to volunteer, please visit this <u>link</u>. If you have questions, please contact Sarah at <u>THBB_Chaperones@TroyColtBands.org</u>. The Chaperone Job Description is available on our website, <u>www.troycoltbands.org</u> - click on "Boosters," then "Volunteer," then "Chaperone Job Description." Please note that chaperones must purchase admission tickets to events where a fee is charged. Thank you for volunteering!

HOMECOMING is scheduled for Friday, September 13th. Be sure to line up curbside on Northfield Parkway at 5:30pm to view the Marching Band in the homecoming parade as it travels from Boulan Park Middle School to Troy High School. Then come to THS to see the Troy Colt football team in action, the crowning of the Homecoming Court, and our own Troy Colt Marching Band pre-game performance, homecoming court ceremony at half-time, and the post-game marching band performance of *We Go Together!* Parent volunteers are needed to help make everything run smoothly. Please click on a link to lend a hand with dinner or bake sale. Bakers are needed too.

PARENT MIXER! Come to the annual tailgate at the home football game on Friday, September 20th, from 5-6:30pm! FREE pop courtesy of the Troy Band Boosters. Fresh grilled hamburgers, veggie burgers and hot dogs will be sold for \$6. Bring a dish or dessert to pass as well as chairs. Come and socialize with other band parents! We'll also be selling TCMB merchandise! All major credit cards are accepted. See the flyer below! We could use your help during this fun event. Please sign up at <u>tailgate</u>.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME! The Troy Colt Bands will once again host the MSBOA District Marching Band Festival on Wednesday, October 16th. In order to make this event a repeat success, we will need volunteers to help behind the scenes, work the night of the event, and donate baked goods. Please stay tuned for an opportunity to share your time and talents in support of the band.

COURTESY REMINDER: Parents, please remember that the auditorium circle drive is a NO PARKING ZONE anytime the band travels (marching, concerts, etc.). This is where the buses park and we need to keep it clear. Thank you for your cooperation!

Please visit www.troycoltbands.org for pertinent information on all band activities.

~ Prospective Dates ~

October 7, 14, 21, 28	TCMB rehearsals, 2:30-5pm
October 4	TCMB Home Game #3 (vs. Groves) Football Game
October 13	Band Hayride/Bonfire, Upland Hills Farm
October 15	MSBOA Marching Band Festival Dress Rehearsal, 7-9pm
October 16	MSBOA Marching Band Festival @ THS
October 25	TCMB @ Home Game #4 (vs. Berkley) Football Game
October 26	Troy Colt Bands Mattress Fundraiser, 10am-5pm.
October 29	Colt Spectacular, 7pm, THS Gymnasium
October 31	MB Laser Tag at Zap Zone, 6-9pm.

Please keep the following dates free on your calendar, as attendance is mandatory for all 2020-2021 TCMB Members:

August 3-6, 2020 2020 Pre-Camp Week August 8-14, 2020 2020 Band Camp

August 17, 24 & 31, 2020 Marching Band Rehearsals, 2:30-5pm

Come to the Annual Troy Colt Marching Band Tailgate!

Friday, September 20th from 5:00–6:30 pm

Look for us in the parking lot across from the band circle. We'll wrap up when the band walks by to head into the stadium!

\$6 Includes your choice of:

- Hamburger, cheeseburger, veggie burger or 2 hot dogs
- Beverage (pop or water)
- Side dishes and desserts



- Please bring side dish or dessert to pass.
- No Nuts please



SEE YOU THERE!

TCMB apparel will be available for sale!

