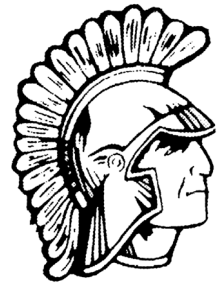




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## Two Weeks To Get Better...

Leaving the field on Saturday afternoon was very unsettling. Many of us in the program did not feel that was our best performance. Was that our best effort? What attributes to a "bad" performance? Was it the sun? Was it the wind? Was it that the staff didn't work you hard enough for only a 3 and 1/2 hour rehearsal in the morning? Obviously there are many questions to be asked about last week. Regardless of all the questions, we can't go back and fix what we did (or didn't do). We must move on and get better. We are at a time in the season where we can make HUGE improvements. Two weeks until our next competition, means two weeks to refine.

We are in the last five weeks of the competition season. There is not much time left. On November 3<sup>rd</sup> we will compete for the last time. How will the next few weeks look? The questions asked in the PRIDE today should make you think. Remember, "The band is only as good as its weakest member." Show everyone that **YOU** are the best member of the band this week.

### CHECK THE GOOGLE CLASSROOM. A QUESTION WAS SENT OUT. ANSWER IT NOW!

Note the time and date changes in the calendar to the right. We will be moving the rehearsal up 30 minutes on Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> to help accommodate the high school students attending the Homecoming Dance. If you are not attending the dance, please plan to help clean up the rehearsal that day so the students can get home and prepare. Also note the rehearsal date changes for the end of October. These changes are to allow for the seniors to attend the Halloween party, and for all to attend Halloween. As we are about five weeks out, please make the necessary adjustments to be at rehearsals, as this is the week of Finals.

Reminder – If you are staying after school for sectionals or homework help, you should **ONLY** be located in the music department area.

**Winter Ensembles** – If you are interested in either Winter Percussion or Winter Guard, please head over to the google classroom and fill in the google form.

**Band Night** – Band night is three weeks away (10/25). Encourage any friends (not already involved in the band) to attend. If each member of the band recruited just **ONE** new member, our program would double in size and be over 140 members. Do you accept the **CHALLENGE**?

**Fundraising** – Please remember that we are in the middle of a few fundraisers. Take care of selling the raffle tickets and Yankee Candles while you are at family events, traveling around town, etc....

**“With Pride”  
In Everything We Do**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 10/3/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/4/19 – Football Game – **HOMECOMING**  
4:30pm – Arrive/Rehearsal/Dinner/Dress  
7:00pm – Game Begins  
9:30pm (ESTIMATE) – Game End/Clean/Dismissed
- 10/5/19 – Rehearsal (8:00am – 3:30pm) **NOTE TIME CHANGE**
- 10/8/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/9/19 – Walk To School Performance (High School Members Only)  
7:30am – Arrive at Oakmont/Warm up  
8:30am – Walk to Briggs  
9:45am – Back to Classes
- 10/10/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/12/19 – Rehearsal/NESBA – Wakefield  
8:30am – Rehearsal  
3:00pm – Load/Depart  
5:15pm – Warm up  
7:05pm – Performance  
8:25pm – Awards/Critique/Depart  
10:30pm – Arrive/Clean/Dismissed
- 10/15/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/17/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/19/19 – Rehearsal/NESBA – Billerica  
8:30am – Rehearsal  
4:30pm – Load/Depart  
6:30pm – Warm up  
8:30pm – Performance  
10:00pm – Awards/Critique/Depart  
11:30pm – Arrive/Clean/Dismissed
- 10/20/19 – **OOMPA Mattress Fundraiser**
- 10/22/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/24/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm)
- 10/25/19 – Football Game – **BAND NIGHT**
- 10/26/19 – Rehearsal/NESBA – Reading
- 10/28/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm) **NOTE DAY CHANGE**
- 10/30/19 – Rehearsal (5:30pm – 8:30pm) **NOTE DAY CHANGE**
- 11/1/19 – Football Game – Tyngsborough
- 11/2/19 – Rehearsal (8:30am – 4:00pm)
- 11/3/19 – Rehearsal/NESBA – Championship Finals

### **\*Inspirational Quote\***

“Develop An ‘Attitude Of Gratitude. Say Thank You To Everyone You Meet For Everything They Do For You”

– Brian Tracy

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