

## MARCHING INDIANS

### MARCHING BAND CAMP

Band Camp marks the beginning of the Marching Band season. Camp is extremely important and its success is crucial to the rest of the year. This is where you learn the basic fundamentals of marching. It is vital that you are in attendance with a positive, willing, and intense attitude. Parents- if your student is unable to attend band camp, it is important to contact Mr. Reed and your child's section leader. The drill is written based upon attendance at Band Camp. If we know you are planning on participating in band but cannot attend camp, a spot may be saved for you in the drill. Without prior knowledge, this cannot happen.

Marching fundamentals learned at band camp are the foundation of the marching band. Fundamentals seem redundant but it is imperative that you learn them correctly and use them throughout the season. Most importantly, you will learn the intensity involved with the Marching Indians. If you miss band camp, contact your section leader upon your return to begin getting caught up.

You are expected to be on time! Tardiness is not appropriate. Efficient rehearsals are a top priority, especially to compete on the level of 6-A band. You are expected to be ready to start at the very beginning of the rehearsal. (i.e. if rehearsal is at 6:45AM you are expected to be in your spot on the marching band field ready to start at 6:45AM). You will be considered tardy if you are walking out to the field at 6:45AM or getting your instrument out at 6:45AM. You get the picture. It is a good idea to arrive 15 minutes early to give yourself time to prepare.

Transportation is sometimes a problem, especially for freshman. Never fear, these problems can be worked out. Band students with cars are willing to help out with rides. Your section leaders can help you find rides. Don't be afraid to ask them. Attendance at all rehearsals is mandatory so don't let a transportation problem keep you from attending.

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