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**BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL  
MARCHING REDMEN  
BAND CAMP 2020  
JULY 27 - 31**



Bucyrus Band Parents @ Facebook

## **2020 BAND CAMP TEACHING STAFF**

Mr. Mark Fiske	Band Director
Mr. Greg Shifley	Assistant Band Director
Ms. Kaitlyn Fourman	Percussion Advisor
Mrs. Miranda Kepler	Auxiliary Advisor

## **BUCYRUS CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS**

Matthew Chrispin	Superintendent
Kimberly Radulovich	High School Principal

## **BAND PARENT OFFICERS**

Kimberly Kent	President
Beau Pojman	Vice President
Michelle Ashley	Treasurer
Stacey Mahley	Secretary

## **BUCYRUSBAND.COM “MEMBERS & PARENTS” ACCESS** (please DO NOT post on social media)

username	bucyrusband
2020/ 2021 password	2014unchc0d321

## THINGS TO BRING TO CAMP

\*\*\*NON-PERISHABLE SNACKS (LAST TRY!)\* (that means it doesn't need to be refrigerated and won't spoil) - these must be boxed/ fit into a cereal box and labeled with your name and turned in to Band Parents before the buses pull out for camp

ALL BEDDING MATERIALS - pillows, sheets, blankets, sleeping bags...

RESTROOM ITEMS - towels, washcloths, soap/ shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste...

WARM WEATHER STUFF - shorts, t-shirts, sunglasses, hat, sunscreen...

COLD WEATHER STUFF - sweats, jacket...

WET WEATHER STUFF - raincoats, umbrellas, plastic bags

EXTRA SHOES/ SOCKS

LYRE/ MUSIC HOLDER, PENCIL

SWIMSUIT

MOSQUITO REPELLENT

FLASHLIGHTS, ALARM CLOCKS, AND BATTERIES

FANS - (three allowed per cabin) plan to bring your own power strips/ extension cords

## THINGS NOT TO BRING TO CAMP

### \*\*\*SNACKS\*\*\*

ALCOHOL OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES OF ANY TYPE

NICOTINE PRODUCTS (INCLUDING SMOKELESS TOBACCO & VAPING DEVICES)

LIGHTERS, MATCHES, OR FUEL

PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIALS

TV/ STEREO SYSTEMS (small, portable one-piece stereos will be allowed, and volume will be monitored by chaperones and staff)

FIREWORKS, SMOKE BOMBS, KNIVES/ WEAPONS OF ANY TYPE

WATER BALLOONS (this camp strictly protects the camp environment)

DUCT TAPE/ PLASTIC WRAP/ ROPE

ALL LUGGAGE LOADED ONTO THE TRUCK OR BUSES \*WILL\* BE INSPECTED BEFORE LEAVING BUCYRUS. ALL OF THE ABOVE ITEMS \*WILL\* BE CONFISCATED AND THOSE FOUND TO VIOLATE DISTRICT POLICY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO BOARD THE BUS WITH NO REFUND GIVEN - SERIOUSLY!!!

## NOTES FROM THE CAMP NURSE

All medication (including over-the-counter) that a band member must take to camp must be in a zip-lock plastic bag with the student's name and prescription directions printed on a piece of paper and in clear view. Additionally, ALL MEDICATION MUST BE TURNED OVER TO NURSES BY A PARENT BEFORE LOADING THE BUS FOR CAMP. The band parents provide Tylenol and ibuprofen only if approved on the green medical form.

Even minor aches and pains can make life miserable, especially when you are away from home. In order to avoid this as much as possible, heed the following remarks.

Are you allergic to any insect bites or bee stings?

Are you susceptible to skin rashes from poison ivy or eczema?

Does the sun leave its mark on your tender skin?

Do you use any special creams, ointments, medications or "home remedies" frequently?

If you are allergic to any medications or are not to use any standard over-the-counter products (such as Tylenol), please include that information on your Emergency Medical Authorization Form.

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please let me know and bring to camp the creams, ointments medicines, "home-remedies," sun screens, and insect repellent. Also, if you are allergic to any medications or are otherwise prevented from using any standard over-the-counter products (such as Tylenol), please include that information on your Emergency Medical Authorization Form.

Any condition such as diabetes that warrants medication, should also be brought to the attention of the nurse.

## 2020 MARCHING BAND GUIDELINES/ EXPECTATIONS

1. Have fun, and play HARD. Each one of you can make as much noise as THREE people from other bands...
2. ALL performances and rehearsals are REQUIRED. Once school starts, we will have practice every day during the last period, AND MONDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS from 6PM until 9PM. Your grade is based on your performance, your participation, and your attendance. EVERYONE in the band, on the staff, and in the stands is counting on YOU to know your music, so it's REALLY important that you always have an instrument to play, and that you are always present at performances and rehearsals. Performances are worth 500 points each, music checks are 100 points each, and practices are worth 50 points each. At our "Band Awards Night" ceremony in May, a letter will be discretely awarded to Marching Band members who achieved a 95% music check average, and to members of BOTH Marching Band AND Concert Band members who achieved a 90% combined music check average.

A maximum of 5 excuse notes written by parents will be considered, which must be presented AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE. Additional absences must be verified by medical, court, or military officials WITHIN 48 HOURS AFTER THE ABSENCE, or they become unexcused absences. Conflicts between school activities will be resolved between directors, coaches, and advisors. ALL EXCUSE NOTES MUST BE DATED. Undated excuse notes will be discarded without consideration. You should have your instrument together AND be in your seat BY all report times, which means you will need to arrive early. Attendance for band rehearsals and performances will be completed within 5 minutes of the posted report time. If you arrive late, you must arrive with a note for consideration to be excused: unexcused lateness will result in the loss of half of the total points for any practice or performance. BEING ON TIME INCREASES YOUR CHANCES OF GETTING HOME EARLY.

Your grade depends on ALL of those things, along with your performance on pencil checks, instrument checks, and music checks. Basically, a music check goes like this: a notice of at least one full day will be given prior to any music check. There may be as many as four music checks in a one-week time period, and as many as three songs may be checked in one music check. While the field commanders conduct, Mr. Fiske and/ or Mr. Shifley will walk around the room and listen to each one of you as you play with the rest of your section. Points will be deducted for failed music checks (getting caught not playing during a music check, or reading from your flip folder can lead to this unfortunate condition). IF YOU FAIL A MUSIC CHECK, YOU ARE \*REQUIRED\* TO TAKE YOUR INSTRUMENT HOME \*DAILY\* UNTIL YOU PASS THE NEXT MUSIC CHECK (10 points will be deducted per day that you leave your instrument at school). ALL BAND MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO LABEL THEIR INSTRUMENT CASES WITH THEIR NAME. The music checks are a very important factor in what you are able to accomplish as a band. Think of music checks as the band equivalent of a 100 point test in any of your other classes. NOTE: CELLPHONES ARE NOT WELCOMED AT PERFORMANCES OR REHEARSALS UNLESS YOU ARE INVITED TO USE IT BY DIRECTORS AND ADVISORS.

ALL band members will take an exam. However, there are some choices the band members have when it comes to exams, They either have the choice of preparing a recorded semester exam (5 points deducted for each error), or playing as a member of the BHS Pep Band and meeting all of the Pep Band requirements (which appear a bit later in this handbook). Students who meet ALL of the Pep Band requirements and are scheduled for second semester band may apply this to the second semester exam as well.

3. 3RD QUARTER BREAK!: when you REPORT ON TIME for games and play as hard as you can, Mr. Fiske lets you use the 3rd quarter of the football game to eat, talk to your friends, and walk around the stadium, but there are a couple of conditions. First of all, YOU HAVE TO REPORT ON TIME, with your instrument, in your spot, READY TO PLAY. Second, your uniform has to stay on. ALL THE WAY. Third, you have to be back in your seat, with your instrument in your hands, READY TO PLAY, with 1 minute left on the 3rd quarter clock. And finally, if you tried to eat or walk around BEFORE 3rd quarter, are late returning from 3rd quarter break (MEANING IN YOUR SEAT, READY TO PLAY WHEN THE CLOCK SAYS "1:00," NOT "1:59"), or you screwed up the

week before, you have to stay in your seat. No questions or exceptions unless they are serious and medical and a doctor or nurse can verify it (go to the restroom so that you'll be back in your seat ON TIME). If you're late, whining about it will probably cost you ANOTHER 3rd quarter break. Is it worth it?

4. DRUMMERS/ SCHOOL INSTRUMENT PLAYERS: You will be provided with an instrument in working order. If you're not careful with it, it will cost you money...

5. ALWAYS treat the Band Parents with respect, please.

6. There will not be a phone available for public use at Band Camp. Cell phones WILL BE permitted if parental permission is granted by completing the agreement at the end of this document. If this permission is granted, you should be aware that you are fully responsible for your own cell phone, and you agree to turn ANY cell phone you are using over, WITHOUT RESISTANCE, to Bucyrus Band Parent chaperones if a cell phone is used during meals, announcements, rehearsals, or after the scheduled "lights out" time each night. THIS INCLUDES CELL PHONES THAT MIGHT BELONG TO OTHER BAND MEMBERS (are you sure you want to let someone else borrow your phone?). The phone will be returned to the owner after we get back to Bucyrus.

7. During Band Camp, you may not visit the cabins of members of the opposite sex.

8. Any theft or malicious destruction of the property of another band member OR of the camp is strictly prohibited. All damage to a particular cabin will be the financial responsibility of the individuals involved in the destruction. If it is impossible to hold any one individual or individuals responsible for cabin damage, then the cost will be shared equally by all members of the cabin. Just make sure you stay away from other people's property (including their instruments). Accidents can happen, but sometimes, they can get EXPENSIVE...

9. Band Camp cabins and showers, buses, and the Band Room need to be kept clean, and MUST BE CLEANED DAILY DURING AFTERNOON FREE TIME, \*BEFORE\* YOU CAN DO \*ANYTHING ELSE\*. In fact, the Band Camp Management REQUIRES it (and they will actually CHECK). You will be provided with water coolers for your cabin, and the camp also has a "snack store" that will be open during free time (the prices are very reasonable). IT IS NOT PERMITTED TO HAVE VISITORS BRING FOOD TO YOU FROM OUTSIDE THE CAMP.

Additionally, YOU MAY BRING SNACKS TO BAND CAMP THIS YEAR. SNACKS MUST FIT INTO A CEREAL BOX, AND MUST BE TURNED IN TO BUCYRUS BAND PARENTS ON MONDAY PRIOR TO LEAVING FOR CAMP (THE BOX \*MUST\* BE CLEARLY LABELED WITH THE BAND MEMBER'S NAME). NO BEVERAGES. These items will be made available to you only during specific "EVENING SNACK" times on the Band Camp schedule. FOOD ITEMS MAY \*ONLY\* BE CONSUMED INSIDE THE CAFETERIA OR OUTDOOR PAVILION. If Mr. Fiske finds ANY wrappers on the ground outside, or finds evidence that snacks were not turned in to Band Parents or are being consumed inside of cabins, ALL OF THE REMAINING SNACKS, REGARDLESS OF WHO THEY BELONG TO, WILL BE HELD BY BUCYRUS BAND PARENT CHAPERONES UNTIL WE GET BACK TO BUCYRUS, AND THIS PRIVILEGE \*WILL\* BE LOST FOR NEXT YEAR. Please DON'T ruin this. KEEP THE CAMP CLEAN.

Food or drink is NEVER allowed into the Band Room, or onto buses. There MAY be a couple of Fridays that you'll have to be back at school before you get a chance to eat dinner, but don't worry: Mr. Fiske will take care of you.

10. Band members will be allowed to choose cabin mates, but once you and your friends have signed up for the cabin you want, you will not be permitted to change this list. Nope. Not even once. So you better make sure you get it right the first time. However, Mr. Fiske has the right to make the final decision as to who will be in any given cabin. ANYONE WHO CHANGES OR CROSSES OFF A NAME ON A CABIN LIST WILL BE ASSIGNED TO A CABIN.

11. All activities between band members will be good clean fun. The purpose of these activities is to build good/ fun relationships between all band members, and Mr. Fiske takes any action that falls outside of this category VERY seriously. There will be NO HAZING OF ANY KIND. Any first-year band member that feels that they have been treated unfairly may privately report this to a staff member.

12. You are expected to participate in and be on time for ALL planned activities at Band Camp (both band-related and recreational). Chaperones inspect the cabins to make sure that everyone is present at all activities to include practices, meals, skits, the "Dutch auction," the bonfire, and the Midnight March (Midnight March is where, ONE NIGHT ONLY - sometime between midnight and 3 - under the organization of another band staff member, the band members assemble with their instruments outside my cabin door unannounced to proudly wake me up with the music they have learned so far). If you elect to skip any activity, arrangements will be made to send you home. There will be NO SLEEPING during the day with the exception of someone under the nurse's care FOR A REAL ILLNESS OTHER THAN "BEING TIRED." All campers will remain at the camp for the entire week. Campers that need to leave due to illness, emergency, or discipline will only be released to a parent or legal guardian. All band members too ill to participate in band and/ or recreational activities must report to the nurse until it has been determined that the band member is well enough to participate in ALL camp activities. Also, any band member who has to sit out of more than two rehearsals OR who is unable to return from the nurse's care to their normal cabin by 11PM will have a call placed to parents requesting permission to get medical treatment for the band member, OR to come pick up the band member, at the parents' discretion.

14. ONLY parents and accompanying immediate family members will be permitted to visit during Band Camp. Bucyrus High School Marching Band alumni over the age of 18 may be invited by the director to attend Thursday night's marching rehearsal, but must leave prior to the bonfire. Visitors who violate this rule are considered trespassers by camp management and will be escorted from the premises. Band members MAY NOT ride in cars with visitors OTHER THAN THEIR OWN PARENTS, unless dictated by a medical condition and/ or approved by Mr. Fiske. Please note that there is no smoking on the camp grounds.

15. Swimming will only be allowed during scheduled free time, as long as a lifeguard is on duty.

16. You must be in your assigned cabin or room no later than 11:00 PM, and lights must be out by midnight. No one will be allowed out of his/ her assigned cabin until 6:00 AM, except for restroom or in the case of an emergency or with the permission of an adult chaperone or band staff member. No loud music/ noise will be allowed inside the cabins after midnight.

17. Disciplinary problems will be clearly and continuously documented. If a discipline issue is identified, first it will be addressed with a verbal warning, and the student's discipline record will be reviewed with the student. A second discipline issue will be addressed via a letter sent home to parents, detailing the issue, and describing the consequences of the disciplinary problem; the consequences of continued disciplinary problems will also be explained. A THIRD DISCIPLINE ISSUE WILL RESULT IN A PHONE CALL TO PARENTS, SUSPENSION FROM THE NEXT BAND PERFORMANCE, AND INELIGIBILITY FOR BAND TRIPS \*WITHOUT\* REFUND OF PAYMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE. Violations beyond this will be turned over to the high school administrators. This progression will be used whenever possible, except in the case of violations that have been deemed "severe" by Mr. Fiske, which will be addressed appropriately and immediately. VIOLATIONS THAT INVOLVE AGGRAVATED PHYSICAL CONTACT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED, AND WILL RESULT IN SUSPENSION FROM THE NEXT BAND PERFORMANCE AND IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION FROM ANY AND ALL INCENTIVE BAND TRIPS SCHEDULED DURING THE MARCHING BAND SEMESTER.

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18. Band Members performing in uniform are expected to appear UNIFORM. Summer uniform shorts must be PLAIN black, hair color may be any naturally-occurring permanent color, and you must have clean gloves and CALF-LENGTH WHITE SOCKS when wearing the full uniform. ALL uniform parts must be present. Only blankets, hats, gloves, and scarves that are red, black, and/ or white may be used in the stands during cold weather. Unwillingness to conform to these guidelines will be result in a 250-point loss for each affected performance.

19. The Band Parents pay for your uniforms, many of the school instruments, and organize payments for your trips. Your uniforms cost \$600 each. Trips can cost as much as \$100,000. School instruments can cost up to \$8,000 each. For these reasons, ALL BAND MEMBERS are expected to take EXCELLENT care of your uniform and your instrument, and ALL BAND MEMBERS are expected to participate in ALL FUNDRAISERS SCHEDULED BY THE BUCYRUS BAND PARENTS. Without the Band Parent Organization, and their fundraising and organizational efforts, there would not be a high school band.

Please CAREFULLY read over the Marching Band Guidelines/ Expectations, as well as the Pep Band Guidelines. Detach the bottom portion, and return it on the first day of practice, signed by YOU and YOUR PARENT. Also, parents, if you are interested in taking an active part in the Band Parent Organization, we'd be more than happy to have your help!

I'm looking forward to meeting those of you that are new to the band, and continuing to work with those of you who were in the band last year

Sincerely,



Mark D. Fiske  
Band Director, Bucyrus High School

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YES, we have read, understand and agree to the MARCHING BAND GUIDELINES/ EXPECTATIONS, the PEP BAND GUIDELINES, and the requirements to participate in the incentive trip to see Ohio University's Marching Band Concert

student signature\_\_\_\_\_

parent signature\_\_\_\_\_

date\_\_\_\_\_

YES, my band member has permission to have a CELL PHONE at Band Camp.

parent signature\_\_\_\_\_

NO, my band member DOES NOT have permission to participate in the Midnight March.

parent signature\_\_\_\_\_

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## **MONDAY SCHEDULE\***

11:30AM	ARRIVAL AT BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL BAND ROOM FOR LUGGAGE INSPECTION
1:00	START LOADING TRUCK/ BUSES
3:15	ARRIVAL AT CAMP MCPHERSON
3:15-3:30	TAKE LUGGAGE AND PERSONAL ITEMS TO CABINS
3:30-4:00	TAKE SWIMMING TEST IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO SWIM
4:00-4:45	DISTRIBUTE SHOW DESIGN (REHEARSAL HALL)
4:45-5:30	MUSIC REHEARSAL
6:00-6:30	DINNER
6:30-6:45	ELECTION OF SENIOR OFFICERS
7:00-9:00	MARCHING REHEARSAL
9:00-10:00	EVENING SNACK/ PLANNING MEETING (CAFETERIA), ALL BAND MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN IN THE ASSIGNED AREA DURING THIS TIME UNTIL DISMISSED BY STAFF
10:00-11:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
11:00	ALL BAND MEMBERS IN ASSIGNED CABINS/ CABIN CHECK
12:00	LIGHTS OUT (ALL QUIET)

## **TUESDAY SCHEDULE\***

7:00AM	WAKEUP
8:00-8:30	BREAKFAST
8:45-10:30	MARCHING REHEARSAL
10:30-11:00	SECTIONALS
11:00-12:00	MUSIC REHEARSAL
12:00-12:30PM	LUNCH
12:30-2:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
2:00-3:00	MUSIC REHEARSAL
3:00-3:30	SECTIONALS
3:30-5:00	MARCHING REHEARSAL
5:00-6:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
6:00-6:30	DINNER
7:00-9:00	MARCHING REHEARSAL
9:00-10:00	EVENING SNACK/ SKITS (SECTION-TEAMS, ALL BAND MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN IN THE ASSIGNED AREA DURING THIS TIME UNTIL DISMISSED BY STAFF
10:00-11:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
11:00	ALL BAND MEMBERS IN ASSIGNED CABINS/ CABIN CHECK
12:00	LIGHTS OUT (ALL QUIET)

## WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE\*

7:00AM	WAKEUP
8:00-8:30	BREAKFAST
8:45-10:30	MARCHING REHEARSAL
10:30-11:00	SECTIONALS
11:00-12:00	MUSIC REHEARSAL
12:00-12:30PM	LUNCH
12:30-2:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
2:00-3:00	MUSIC REHEARSAL
3:00-3:30	SECTIONALS
3:30-5:00	MARCHING REHEARSAL
5:00-6:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
6:00-6:30	DINNER
7:00-9:00	MARCHING REHEARSAL
9:00-10:00	EVENING SNACK/ DUTCH AUCTION (BRING WHAT YOU *THINK* WE'LL ASK FOR IN A PILLOW CASE), ALL BAND MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN IN THE ASSIGNED AREA DURING THIS TIME UNTIL DISMISSED BY STAFF
10:00-11:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
11:00	ALL BAND MEMBERS IN ASSIGNED CABINS/ CABIN CHECK
12:00	LIGHTS OUT (ALL QUIET)

## THURSDAY SCHEDULE\*

7:00AM	WAKEUP
8:00-8:30	BREAKFAST
8:45-10:30	MARCHING REHEARSAL
10:30-11:00	SECTIONALS
11:00-12:00	MUSIC REHEARSAL
12:00-12:30PM	LUNCH
12:30-2:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
2:00-3:00	MUSIC REHEARSAL
3:00-3:30	SECTIONALS
3:30-5:00	MARCHING REHEARSAL
5:00-6:00	FREE TIME (NO SLEEPING!)
6:00-6:30	DINNER
7:00-9:00	MARCHING REHEARSAL
9:00-11:00	BONFIRE (FREE TIME AFTERWARDS, AND NO SLEEPING!), ALL BAND MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN AT THE BONFIRE DURING THIS TIME UNTIL DISMISSED BY STAFF
11:00	ALL BAND MEMBERS IN ASSIGNED CABINS/ CABIN CHECK
12:00	LIGHTS OUT (ALL QUIET)

## FRIDAY SCHEDULE\*

7:00AM	WAKEUP
8:00-8:30	BREAKFAST
8:45-10:30	MARCHING REHEARSAL
10:30-11:00	SECTIONALS
11:00-12:00	MUSIC REHEARSAL
12:00-12:30PM	LUNCH
12:30-1:30	CLEAN CABINS (YOU MUST STAY IN YOUR CABIN UNTIL IT HAS BEEN CHECKED BY CHAPERONES OR STAFF)
2:00	LOAD BUSES
3:30-4:30	ARRIVE AT BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL BAND ROOM

\*THESE SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER CHANGES, MECHANICAL/ TECHNICAL PROBLEMS, MIDNIGHT MARCH ARRANGEMENTS, ETC.

## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BANDS, BUCYRUS BAND PARENTS, AND BUCYRUS CITY SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATION

Dear Band Parent,

We are very excited about the upcoming band camp and the 2020 Marching Season. We want the "Pride of Bucyrus" Marching Redmen to be the best band in the area. The band director, staff, band parents, and administration of the Bucyrus Schools are ready to assist the Marching Redmen in achieving that goal. Band camp will be an opportunity for all of us to work together for a common purpose.

To have a successful and productive band camp, we need order. The rules in this booklet were designed with that in mind. We urge you to be supportive of the Bucyrus High School Student Code Of Conduct and the other camp rules. We pledge our commitment to your student's safety. Our chaperones will be diligent and concerned so that our young people can concentrate fully on the improvement of the band. We hope that camp will be fun, but we urge both you and your bandsman to remember that this is a "working camp."

If you would like to visit the camp during any of the scheduled rehearsal times, you are more than welcome. Our favorite night is Thursday. Marching rehearsal begins at 7:00 and the bonfire begins at 9:00. This is a special evening. **Please note that, due to the limited space available for dining, we will NOT be able to accommodate guests during meals.** If you have any special concerns feel free to ask a staff member or Band parent. We will be happy to answer all of your questions. Please be aware that Thursday night's rehearsal represents a LOT of hard work, but is also still a "work-in-progress."

If you need to call, please try to do this during meal times when staff will be available to answer the phones. If there is an emergency you may call 866-599-7110. The students will not have public phone privileges. If there is a special need to call home they must ask permission from an adult.

We look forward to working with your son or daughter. Please join us at the Bucyrus High School football field to cheer on a group of talented, disciplined, and proud musicians: **THE BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING REDMEN.**

## **2020/ 2021 BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL PEP BAND GUIDELINES**

1. Bucyrus High School band members have the privilege of submitting their performance in Pep Band for 1st and 2nd semester exam credit. As a result, the attendance policy for receiving exam credit must be fairly strict. Pep Band may have two (2) absences from scheduled (or RE-scheduled) games for any reason during 1st semester, and two (2) additional absences during 2nd semester will be permitted for Pep Band members who play for the entire season. **THESE EXCUSES MUST BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST TWO DAYS IN ADVANCE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.** Additional absences excuses will only be permitted if verified, official documentation can be provided.

Girls basketball players, boys basketball players, and cheerleaders **MUST ATTEND ALL pep rallies and basketball games** in which they are not involved as a member of the team/ squad. Excuses will **ONLY** be considered for these Pep Band members in emergency situations, and **ONLY** when official documentation can be provided.

2. Members of the Bucyrus High School Pep Band who perform for the entire basketball season with no unexcused absences will be formally recognized at end-of-year Band Awards Night for their dedication to the Bucyrus High School Band and Athletic Departments. The time commitment donated by these students is significant, and deserves recognition.

3. Bucyrus High School Pep Band members are expected to report to the band room at the start of the JV basketball game to sign in and review pertinent music. **PEP BAND MEMBERS WHO FAIL TO SIGN IN WILL BE CHARGED WITH AN ABSENCE.** Pep Band members will play during the varsity basketball pregame, and then will be released until one minute (:60) before the varsity basketball halftime. Pep Band members will then play for halftime, and will be released again until one minute (:60) before the end of the game. Pep Band members will play 1-2 selections at the end of the game, before performing duties are complete.

4. Once the Bucyrus High School Pep Band has been formed, it is the responsibility of this group to perform at any pep rallies for the remainder of the school year. **FAILURE TO PERFORM AT ANY PEP RALLY WILL BE COUNTED AS AN ABSENCE FROM PEP BAND.**

5. Students who are not members of the Pep Band may not sit in the band section while the band is playing. Additionally, if it is found that any student who is not a member of the Pep Band was aided by a Pep Band member to enter the gymnasium with out being charged for a ticket, **BOTH** students will be expelled from the game. For the Pep Band member, **THIS WILL RESULT IN REMOVAL FROM PEP BAND**

6. When funding is available, a short Pep Band trip may be planned to show appreciation to those students who are season-long Pep Band members. **THERE ARE NO GUARANTEES THIS WILL HAPPEN**, but in the past, the Pep Band has travelled to the Rock & Roll Hall Of Fame in Cleveland, Tower City in Cleveland, and Easton Towne Center in Columbus.

**Dear Band Parents:**

Members of the Bucyrus High School Marching Band with excellent attendance records for band practices and events have earned the opportunity travel to the Palace Theater in Columbus to see the Ohio University Marching Band. This year, the concert will take place Monday, November ???. The OU Marching Band has a unique and energetic marching style, and along with their repertoire of popular songs, their dance routines have served as a model for the popular Middle School and High School Band dances. This concert has traditionally been a very exciting event for the students, and well worth the price of admission. Here is the evening's itinerary:

- 3:30 – Report to Bucyrus High School.
- 4:00 – Load buses and depart for Columbus.
- 5:00–6:00 – Stop for fast food
- 6:00 – Depart for Ohio Theater
- 7:00 – Arrive at The Ohio Theater.
- 8:00 – Concert
- 11:45 – Arrival at Bucyrus High School (Seriously. It'll be THAT late.)

The Bucyrus Band Parents have decided to sponsor this event again. This includes the price of admission and busses, and band members whose families have an outstanding balance with the Bucyrus Band Parents are not permitted to participate. Eligible band members who wish to eat dinner when we stop should bring enough money for fast food (\$4–\$8 should cover it).

Students WILL be required to have all assignments completed for the following school day. ONE bus has been reserved for the Bucyrus High School Marching Band. Seating WILL BE TWO TO A SEAT. Bus seats will be made available only to band members with NO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES FROM ANY SECTIONALS OR PERFORMANCES SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON. STUDENTS WITH DOCUMENTED DISCIPLINARY VIOLATIONS AND/ OR FAILING GRADES IN ANY CLASSES ARE ALSO INELIGIBLE FOR THIS TRIP. After all eligible student reservations are collected, seats will be opened to parents on a first-come, first-served basis.

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**PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN \*NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, NOVEMBER ??  
@ 3PM. \*NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS TIME.\***

\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to attend the Ohio University Marching Band Concert in Columbus' Palace Theater on Monday, November ??.

List those attending:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature



**BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND CHARACTER/ ATTENDANCE AGREEMENT FOR SECTION LEADERS, FIELD COMMANDERS, CAPTAINS, AND OFFICERS**

You have received this document because you have earned the privilege of serving as a student leader in the Bucyrus High School Marching Band. The amount of personal responsibility involved in maintaining a successful leadership position in the band is to be taken seriously, and dictates that high standards of character and attendance be maintained.

For these reasons, student leaders in the Bucyrus High School Marching Band are not permitted to be unexcused, as determined by Mr. Fiske, from any Bucyrus High School Marching Band required practice or performance. Additionally, student leaders may not use physical action or profane language as a means of conflict confrontation or resolution, and disrespectful behavior toward Bucyrus Band Parents or Staff will not be tolerated. **STUDENT LEADERS WITH UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, VIOLATIONS INVOLVING PHYSICAL OR VERBAL ABUSE, AND/ OR DISRESPECTFUL BEHAVIOR TOWARD CHAPERONES AND/ OR ADVISORS/ TEACHERS, WILL BE IMMEDIATELY RELIEVED OF THEIR LEADERSHIP POSITION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON WITHOUT WARNING OR EXCEPTION.** Additionally, all Bucyrus High School Band members are expected to maintain a clean lifestyle. Absences beyond those described above, and/ or criminal court convictions will result in additional suspensions from Bucyrus High School Band, up to the remainder of the current semester.

Section leaders in the Bucyrus High School Marching Band are responsible for organizing at least 3 45-minute sectionals per season, in addition to those mandated by directors or advisors. This helps to address musical problems and questions at a very efficient level. Section leaders who fail to meet this requirement will be replaced. Student leaders are also responsible for keeping the area of the band room and bleachers surrounding their section or group clean and organized, including insuring that wrappers and music are not left on the floor, and chairs and stands are straightened or returned to their proper location at the completion of each practice or performance. Student leaders who fail to do so will be held personally responsible, and will be required to clean an additional section or group area each time their own section or group area has not been cleaned prior to leaving a practice or performance.

In addition to all of the preceding guidelines, officers must also commit to participation in both Marching Band and Concert Band of the year in which they are elected to office. Offices include President (Senior), Vice President (Senior), Secretary (Senior), Junior Representative, Sophomore Representative, and Freshman Representative. Officer elections occur during Band Camp week. Students who do not uphold this commitment will be replaced in a new round of elections once the cutoff date for scheduling changes is reached during the first semester of the school year.

The bottom portion of this agreement must be signed, dated, and returned by the student and parent, indicating acceptance of the guidelines detailed above by 6:30PM on July 21, 2020. After this date, Student leaders who have not returned the bottom portion of this agreement may be replaced by another student.

Sincerely,



Band Director, Bucyrus High School

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PLEASE SIGN, DETACH, AND RETURN TO MR. FISKE BY JULY 21, 2020.

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD, AND AGREE TO THE GUIDELINES DETAILED IN THE BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND CHARACTER/ ATTENDANCE AGREEMENT FOR SECTION LEADERS, FIELD COMMANDERS, CAPTAINS, AND OFFICERS.

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STUDENT SIGNATURE

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PARENT SIGNATURE

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DATE

**BUCYRUS HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND PRACTICE/ PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT FOR AUXILIARY MEMBERS (FLAG & MAJORETTE) & STUDENTS OF PIONEER CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

A significant amount of time and energy has been spent maintaining an evening Marching Band practice schedule that allows Bucyrus High School Auxiliary members and Pioneer students to continue to participate in the Bucyrus High School Marching Band. No grade is offered to these students, and it is the responsibility of these students to make direct contact with advisors or directors concerning rehearsal or performance schedules. The membership of Bucyrus High School Auxiliary members/ Pioneer students in the Bucyrus High School Marching Band is to be considered a privilege, and the amount of personal responsibility involved in maintaining a successful membership in the band is to be taken seriously.

For these reasons, starting today, **ONLY FIVE BAND REHEARSALS, AND ZERO PERFORMANCES MAY BE MISSED BY AUXILIARY MEMBERS/ PIONEER STUDENTS FOR ANY REASON** in order to maintain membership in the Bucyrus High School Marching Band. Absences from performances must be verified by medical, court, or military officials within 48 hours after the absence (parent/ relative notes will not be accepted). Additionally, all Bucyrus High School Band members are expected to maintain a clean lifestyle. Auxiliary members/ Pioneer students having more than five absences from rehearsals or ANY unverified absences from performances will be immediately suspended from the Bucyrus High School Marching Band for the remainder of the school year.

Additionally, auxiliary members \* & Pioneer students are eligible to earn a letter by earning a 95% music check average during the course of the Marching season. While music checks will be conducted by the auxiliary advisor, Pioneer students must submit a video to Google Drive on Tuesday of each week for assessment to remain eligible to earn a letter.

The bottom portion of this agreement must be signed, dated, and returned by the student and parent, indicating acceptance of the guidelines detailed above by 6:30PM on July 21, 2020. After this date, Auxiliary members/ Pioneer students who have not returned the bottom portion of this agreement will not be permitted to practice or perform until this agreement has been received.

Rescheduled or cancelled practices or performances, as well as other late-breaking schedule changes, will be announced regularly at evening Marching Band practices, and will be posted on the band website ([www.bucyrusband.com](http://www.bucyrusband.com)) during Marching season. Auxiliary members/ Pioneer students should make a habit of checking these resources once per week.

Sincerely,



Band Director, Bucyrus High School

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PARENT SIGNATURE

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## DIRECTIONS TO CAMP MCPHERSON From Bucyrus:

Take Route 30 East to Route 60 South (Hayesville exit)

Take Route 60 South to Loudonville/ Route 3 South

Take Route 3 South to Shadley Valley Road (approximately 8 miles from the center of Loudonville)

At the end of the Rainbow Springs Campground property is Shadley Valley Road. Turn Left on Shadley Valley Road.

Camp McPherson is 1.1 miles from Route 3 on Shadley Valley Road

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