



2019 TROJAN MARCHING FIRST MEETING

THURSDAY, May 23RD - 3:00PM
JHS BAND ROOM

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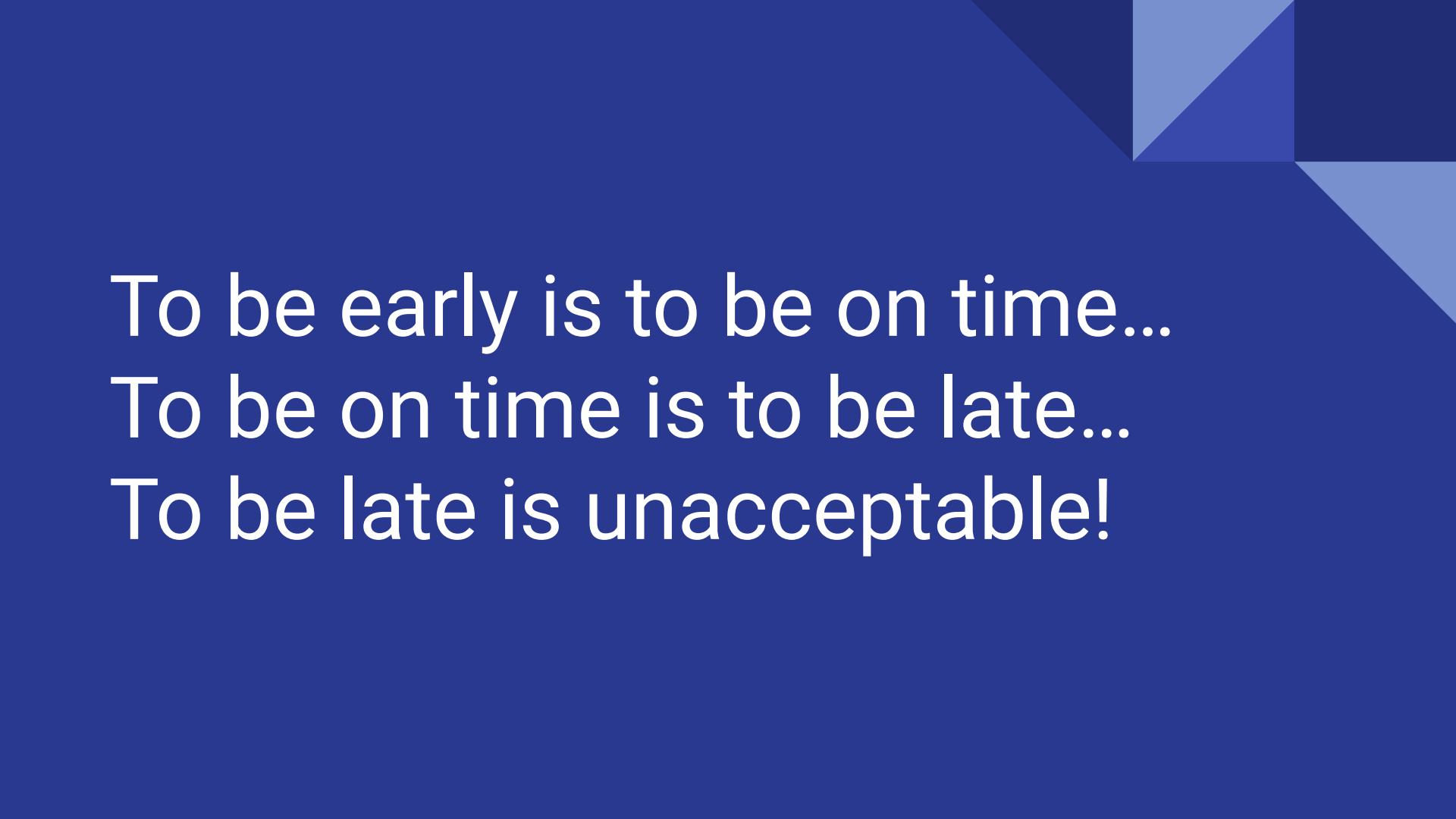
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The following slideshow is similar to a classroom syllabus.
This will give all expectations and rules for the season.
After you review it's time to get to work and have some fun!

The background is a solid dark blue color. In the top right corner, there are several overlapping triangles in lighter shades of blue, creating a geometric pattern.

To be early is to be on time...
To be on time is to be late...
To be late is unacceptable!

TODAY...

- WHAT IS MARCHING BAND?
- WHY SHOULD I JOIN THE MARCHING BAND?
- REMIND.COM
- GJSDMUSIC.ORG AND THE EVER POPULAR CALENDARS TAB :)
- WHAT TO EXPECT - BAND CAMP & A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF A MEMBER
- HOW TO GET A DRILL SPOT & FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS
- NEW ATTENDANCE/REHEARSAL PROCEDURES FOR 2019 & POINT OF NO RETURN
- 2019 PROGRAM ANNOUNCED
- 2019 STAFF & DRUM MAJOR POSITION ANNOUNCED

WHAT IS MARCHING BAND?

1. THE MAIN SUPPORT GROUP FOR THE TROJAN FOOTBALL TEAM
 - ❑ THE BAND TRAVELS TO EVERY FOOTBALL GAME (HOME & AWAY + PLAYOFFS) TO SUPPORT THE TEAM WITH PEP SONGS AND DRUM CHEERS
 - ❑ THE BAND ALSO PERFORMS PART OF THEIR SHOW AT EVERY FOOTBALL GAME DURING HALFTIME
2. A TOURNAMENT OF BANDS COMPETITIVE BAND
 - ❑ THE BAND COMPETES ALMOST EVERY SATURDAY AGAINST OTHER LOCAL REGION XI BANDS AND ENDS THEIR SEASON IN HERSHEY FOR ALL-REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS IN EARLY NOVEMBER
3. A LOCAL PARADE BAND
 - ❑ THE BAND PERFORMS IN THE HALLOWEEN, VETERANS DAY, & CHRISTMAS PARADE EVERY YEAR DOWN MAIN STREET.

THIS IS A HUGE COMMITMENT!!!

WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

- ★ You're JOINING a FAMILY and making FRIENDS THAT WILL LAST a LIFETIME!
- ★ YOU WILL Learn Great LIFE LESSONS LIKE:
 - DISCIPLINE
 - Teamwork
 - Time management
 - sacrifice
 - Manners & respect
 - TRUST
- ★ YOU WILL BECOME a BETTER PERSON in General

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- ★ our main line of communication - TEXT reminders

SIGN UP RIGHT NOW

- ★ HOW DO YOU SIGN-UP? TEXT @TROJANMB TO 81010 OR (814) 693-5084
- ★ YOU WILL NOW RECEIVE TEXT REMINDERS FROM MR. PFEIL THROUGHOUT THE SEASON.
- ★ ANYTIME YOU RECEIVE A TEXT FROM ME YOU can RESPOND TO IT WITH QUESTIONS AND IT WILL COME TO ME AS A "CHAT". I WILL RESPOND BACK AND IT WILL COME TO YOU AS A TEXT
- ★ STUDENTS and PARENTS MUST SIGN-UP FOR THIS.
- ★ QUESTIONS ABOUT REMIND??

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- our 2nd main line of communication
- YOUR 2019 SIGN-UP FORMS WILL BE LOCATED HERE AS WELL AS RELEVANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND THE DEPARTMENT
- AND OF COURSE, EVERYONE'S FAVORITE, THE GJSDMUSIC.ORG CALENDARS TAB!!!! :) :) :)
 - ★ THIS IS WHERE ALL UP TO DATE INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED FOR REHEARSAL SCHEDULES, FOOTBALL/PARADE SCHEDULES & COMPETITION DAY SCHEDULES.
 - ★ THERE WILL NOT BE A PAPER COPY HANDED OUT FOR OUR SCHEDULE SO PLEASE UTILIZE THIS RESOURCE. IT HAS WORKED VERY WELL FOR US OVER THE PAST COUPLE YEARS

WHAT TO EXPECT?

1. EXPECT TO never have a CELL PHONE on you during rehearsals. WE HAVE A JOB TO DO.
2. NO JUNE/JULY REHEARSAL EXCEPT FOR GUARD
3. EXPECT TO really "GET GOING" FOR THE season in AUGUST

A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF A MARCHING BAND MEMBER - 2019

Sunday - OFF

Monday - MANDATORY VIDEO/TAPE REVIEW ON YOUR OWN @ HOME

Tuesday - rehearsal 3:00-5:30

Wednesday - STUDY HALL FOR anyone WITH a 'D' in any classes

Thursday - rehearsal 3:00-5:30

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Friday - ALWAYS a FOOTBALL game

Saturday - COMPETITION/rehearsal days

HOW TO JOIN

UNIFORMS WILL BE DRY CLEANED FOR YOU OVER THE SUMMER

- ★ YOU MUST FILL OUT ONLINE FORMS BY THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH
- ★ IF YOU DO NOT FILL OUT YOUR ONLINE FORMS BY JUNE 6TH YOU WILL NOT BE A PART OF THE BAND
- ★ QUESTIONS???

Financial commitments

★ some continued for 2018

- Every student will need to sell at least \$50 in mandatory ads/patrons for our annual outdoor home show on October 12th.
- Forms are available now in the packet I am passing out to you. 5 months ahead of time!!!
- Don't stop at \$50!!!! We encourage students to sell as many ads/patrons as possible
- This money will go towards paying our judges fees for the day and will allow the boosters to make as much profit as possible for the day.

More Financial Commitments

- ❑ ALL new members are responsible for purchasing new marching band shoes for \$35. Members can keep them for as long as they are in band or until their feet grow out of them. Take care of them!

SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

Any negative, unfavorable, pessimistic, or overall adverse comments made on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat, or any other form of social media by any one of our members toward our program, our staff, or our members is not acceptable. Furthermore, any member that shares or re-tweets such comments will have shown the same opinion and therefore not acceptable.

ATTendance

You must ALWAYS text Mr. Pfeil if you are missing rehearsals and/or are going to be late.

If you are missing a rehearsal you must tell me **WHY**. Reason being, I have to determine if it is excused or not.

Examples:

Student: “I can’t make practice” (unexcused because there is no reason)

Student: “I can’t make practice, I am sick and was not in school today” (excused)

Student: “I can’t make practice, I have a big test tomorrow and I have to study” (unexcused)
(schedule study time around the commitment you made)

Student: “I can’t make practice, I have no ride” (unexcused - PLAN AHEAD - Full schedule posted)

attendance

EXCUSED VS. UNEXCUSED

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES WILL BE DEALT WITH BY...

1ST OFFENSE - WARNING

2ND OFFENSE - WARNING AND CALL HOME

3RD OFFENSE - SAME AS 2ND OFFENSE & FOOTBALL GAME PERFORMANCE SUSPENSION

4TH OFFENSE - SAME AS 3RD OFFENSE WITH SUSPENSION FROM GAME & COMPETITION

5TH OFFENSE - REMOVAL FROM THE BAND

SAME FOR 2019

STANDBY

EXPLANATION

POINT OF NO RETURN

THE POINT OF NO RETURN DATE ONLY APPLIES TO MINI CAMP, BAND CAMP, GAMES AND COMPETITIONS AND WILL BE LOCATED ON YOUR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION.

THE POINT OF NO RETURN DATE IS THE SAME AS WHEN YOUR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE DUE: **JUNE 6TH 2019**

WHAT IS THE POINT OF NO RETURN?

DATES THAT YOU KNOW OF BY JUNE 6TH - OTHERWISE WE DO EXPECT MEMBERS TO FOLLOW THE SCHEDULE AND STICK TO IT. PARENTS - WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH THIS.

THE FULL MARCHING BAND SCHEDULE FOR THE 2019 SEASON, INCLUDING GAMES AND COMPETITIONS, IS CURRENTLY UP ON THE GJSDMUSIC.ORG CALENDARS TAB.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES WILL FOLLOW THE SAME 5 STEP DISCIPLINE PROCESS

2019 Program IS...

2019 MUSIC

2019 INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF:

DIRECTOR: ERIC PFEIL

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: ADAM STEINBRING

DRILL DESIGNER: ANDY HALL

COLORGUARD ADVISOR: HEAVEN WILEY

ASSISTANT COLORGUARD ADVISOR: MATT STOOPS

PERCUSSION ADVISOR: TBD

PIT ADVISOR: KARLEE KURTZ

VISUAL/DESIGN TEAM: ANDY HALL

MATT STOOPS

MUSIC ARRANGER: ANDY HALL



2019 Drum Major

QUESTIONS?

Be sure to take a "STEPS TO JOIN"
Packet on your way out

DISMISSAL FOLLOWED BY
INTERESTED LEADERSHIP

Parents...Important Info

Examples of an excused absence:

- Date or event on “Point of no return” list
- Illness, death in the family, or family medical emergency
- Attending practice of a Greater Johnstown sports team (must split time evenly)
- Emergency the day of a practice (must text Mr. Pfeil beforehand)

Examples of an unexcused absence:

- Missing mini camp, band camp, game or competition that is not listed on “Point of no return” list
- Needing to do homework or needing to study
- Evening jobs
- Not texting Mr. Pfeil before missing a rehearsal and/or commitment
- Not having a ride - PLAN AHEAD!
- Being sick WITHOUT texting Mr. Pfeil

At the end of the day, if your child is going to miss something PLEASE TEXT ME.

Parents...Important Info (cont.)

Your child will NOT be allowed to have their CELL PHONE on them during rehearsals or ANY time they have the uniform on.

Common concerns...

- What if I need to get a hold of my child?
- What if my child needs to update me on rehearsal time?
- How will my child continue his or her snapchat streak???

I WILL be the contact during rehearsals if you need your child or if there is an emergency. CALL ME

814-243-9352

Remember, you sent your child to school at their most vulnerable age WITHOUT a cell phone...they can make it through a 2.5 hour rehearsal or game/competition. Steps of discipline for cell phone use: 1st offense warning & call home, 2nd offense warning/call home/I take the phone, 3rd offense removal from the program.

Parents...Important Info (cont.)

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PRACTICE TIMES/DISMISSAL TIMES/PICKUP TIMES

Parents - Be prepared to drop off your students 20-30 minutes before rehearsal and be prepared to pick them up 20 minutes after rehearsal

IF we rehearse 3:30-6 THAT means we are on the field UNTIL 6. MEMBERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO SIMPLY leave right at 6 WITHOUT DOING end of rehearsal JOBS/CLEANUP/DISMISSAL.

-ALL OF THESE THINGS are mandatory for all members unless an emergency arises and you must take your child home right at 6.

*Be prepared for this. The common complaint I hear yearly is from parents that will show up to pick up their child 15 minutes before a rehearsal ends, and when it becomes 6:20 they are upset that they have been waiting 30 minutes. Know that members will not be ready to leave until at least 20 minutes after a rehearsal ends.

*THIS could be earlier depending on how quickly students clean up.

Parents...IMPORTANT INFO (CONT.)

WILL ALL OF THAT SAID WE ALSO WANT PARENTS TO BE PREPARED TO PICKUP THEIR CHILD ON TIME. WE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE A CHILD AT THE SCHOOL WITHOUT SEEING THEM LEAVE SO WE SIMPLY ASK YOU DO YOUR BEST TO BE ON TIME TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD. WE UNDERSTAND EMERGENCIES HAPPEN.

*RETURNING FROM GAMES/COMPETITION

-I WILL ALWAYS SEND A TEXT THROUGH REMIND THAT STATES "WE HAVE PULLED INTO THE HIGH SCHOOL"

-THIS WILL GIVE YOU ADEQUATE TIME TO GET TO THE SCHOOL TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD RIGHT AROUND DISMISSAL

-WE WILL ALWAYS TRY OUR BEST TO DO END OF REHEARSAL AND TRIP CLEANUPS AS FAST AS POSSIBLE. ALL DEPENDENT ON THE KIDS AND HOW FAST THEY MOVE.

Parents...Important Info (cont.)

JOIN AND ATTEND BOOSTER MEETINGS!

BOOSTER meetings are once a month and it costs \$1 a year to become a BOOSTER

AT BOOSTER meetings, members vote to pass legislation for the band. THIS IS ALSO WHERE IMPORTANT information is given on student fundraisers as well as relevant information on your student's program.

GET INVOLVED! Be in attendance if you can!

DECISIONS are ONLY made BY THOSE WHO SHOW UP.