

Lincoln High School Band Newsletter

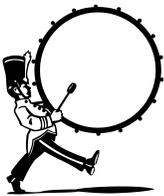
September 17, 2012

Dear LHS Bandparents and Students,

It was great to see so many of you parents at the Rosemount competition on Saturday night. I also saw many relatives in attendance from the Minneapolis area that I was honored to be introduced to. Well now that we have taken the show on the road this past weekend the routine has started for the next five consecutive weeks. This weekend we head to Marshall, MN and hope you are able to attend this premier marching band competition with your kids. You will NOT be sorry you did. As I heard how a new freshman described the thrill to his parents "The whole crowd gave us a standing ovation!" Yes they deserved it with a great performance and we look forward to many more times ahead of seeing them. They are scheduled to march on at 10:45 pm, yes I said pm and we are the last band to perform. The gates open at 4 pm with National Anthem at 5:25 pm and first band goes on the field at 5:30 pm. This is a beautiful newer stadium with new artificial turf but has limited seating so come early to get a good seat. I will include the link to the listing of all of the bands performing below. **Remember your kids need food for the whole day sent with them again this Saturday!**

If you have not been to Marshall before it is just 90 miles (1 hour 15 minutes) from Sioux Falls. You just head out of town on I90 and cross the MN border and take the first exit which is Hwy 23 and take that north all the way to Marshall. You do have to make a couple turns in Pipestone ... so be ready for a right when you slow down from going 60 ... then get quickly over into the left lane and turn left at the stop light which is only about a block away (McDonalds on the left where you turn) ... then you go through town and at the other end after you pass the DQ (every small town in MN has one by the way!) you turn right before you cross the railroad tracks!!! Once you make this right turn you are home free and this will get you to Marshall. You will be looking for the stop light at the intersection of College Drive which is also labeled as Hwy 19/68 and Applebees is on the left the direction you turn. You then turn right at the fourth intersection which is Mustang Trail which takes you to the parking lot for the competition. If you want to eat when you reach town once you turn left at the Applebees you have that to choose from along with other fast food farther down on College Drive only blocks from the SMSU (Southwest Minnesota State University). Yes I have traveled this road for the past 27 years to visit family so call me if you have any questions.

Next Competition Information



Marshall Pursuit of Excellence competition is this Saturday, Sep 22. Here is the link to the students itinerary on the band website:

<http://lincolnband.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/12-Marshall-Itinerary.pdf>

Here is also the link for the listing of bands for this Saturday.

<http://midwestmarching.com/2012/pursuit2012.htm>

Competition Scoring

Below is a link to an article about competition scoring and why there is no right or wrong way to address some of the apparent scoring outcomes we either have seen or may see.

You will find it interesting if you haven't seen it already, and there are a lot of new band parents since it was last sent out, so if you find it interesting you may want to forward the link.

<http://www.bandparenting.net/judge.html>

Rosemount Competition - Watch it on YouTube

Thanks much to Jeff Lambert for providing the show from last weekend on YouTube. You don't want to miss it!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=drRZM66Oz9A&feature=em-share_video_user



Rosemount Results link to understand scoring even more ...

http://midwestmarching.com/2012/recap/RECAP%20Rosemount%209_15_12.pdf

TOR (Tournament of Roses) Release Form

Within the past week, your son/daughter should have brought home a Tournament of Roses Medical Release Form. Please complete this form and it must be **returned to Mr. Carlson or Mr. C by Friday Sep 21**. The form can also be found on our website lincolnband.org under Forms on the Resource tab.

If any information should change after this form is turned in, please complete and turn in another form.

Under Local Residence/Hotel, please list the Hilton Hotel in Long Beach.
Hotel phone number is 562-983-3400.
Mr. Carlson's phone number to list is 605-321-5852.

District Policy on Student Travel

In the event your student will NOT be traveling on the bus **to or from** a competition, please be sure to complete the "*Permission to Ride with Parent*" form and turn it in to the LHS Administrative offices. This is a two part form and can be picked up from the Carlsons, the student services office or download a single-part form from the Resources/Forms link on the website. The form **MUST** be signed by one of the LHS Principals. All forms are due by **THURSDAY** for the competition on that weekend. After the competition, parents must check in with a chaperone on their student's bus to sign for their release.



Festival Of Bands

We are still looking for volunteers for Festival of Bands on Saturday, October 6th!

If you are as excited as we are to see the LHS band perform again, and are excited to help our kids as part of Festival of Bands, please let us know. Spots are still available and help is still needed to make this night a success! Contact Rob or

Winnie Behrend @ behrendrw@gmail.com or by phone: Winnie 351-9133, Rob 366-1310. Thanks!

LINCOLN MARCHING BAND CASH RAFFLE

You should have seen this come home in the past 2 days ... if not ask your kid ...

Each ticket costs \$5 !

Sell from now until October 31st, 2012.

You received 5 packets of 4 tickets in each for a total of 20 tickets you are responsible for.

Checks need to be made out to Lincoln Bandparents.

Turn in your money for the tickets to Megan in the music office as you sell them out. She will give you more tickets once you have sold the initial 20 tickets.

This is a fundraiser to help you build up your ISA and you get \$3 from every \$5 ticket sold.

Many people will donate \$20 and that would pay for one packet. Especially friends will buy these tickets when they know you are benefiting and getting \$12 of that amount directly towards your payment to go to the Tournament of Roses parade or to cover your cost for the fall show season.

If you do the quick math and could get 10 people to buy \$20 worth of tickets you would have collected \$200 and \$120 would go to your ISA, covering another payment for the Tournament of Roses. You have no maximum that you can sell on these tickets and it should be any easy fundraiser to help everyone out.

The **cash prizes** will be **2 \$500 winners** (one drawn each night of chicken dinner) and **8 \$100 winners** (four drawn each night of chicken dinner) **plus** each student who sold the \$500 winner will get \$50 put in their ISA. You do not need to be present to win!

Finally, make sure to thank everyone who buys the tickets with a card that is included in the envelope you received the tickets in. This also gives them information about when the prizes will be drawn.

SELL, SELL, SELL !!!

Upcoming Competitions & Exhibitions

The exact times for our competitions are usually not known until the week of the event. For planning purposes, it is best to reserve the entire day and evening for band activities. Travel itineraries and details will be sent home with the students on **Wednesday or Thursday** of each week. It will also be posted on our website (www.lincolnband.org) as well as emailed. For football games, the band meets at the visitor parking lot on the North East side of Howard Wood Field. All instrument cases should be locked in their cars – DO NOT leave them in the grass at Pheasant's Stadium.

NO PARKING @LHS's East Parking Lot on Competition Days



Because of the tremendous amount of activity that goes into the loading and unloading of trailers, buses, and kids, we ask that the area behind the school be reserved for the directors, roadies, and chaperones. This will make for less congestion and a smoother loading and unloading process. You may drop your student off at the north or south ends of the driveway and park along the street or in the south parking lot on competition days. Plus, anyone who parks in the east parking lot to either drop off or pick up will be blocked in by the buses once they arrive.

Band Bottom-Up Uniform Checklist

1. Black socks – these must be black and over the ankle. NO bootie socks!
2. Drill Masters – clean and polished
3. Black band shirt
4. All parts of the uniform
 - pants – adjusted so they do NOT drag on the ground or are too short
 - vestee
 - jacket – make sure there are no missing buttons
 - sash
5. Gloves
6. Gauntlets
7. Hat and plume or beret

Finally, as a rule of thumb, your hair should not touch your collar. Please use a head band, bobby pins, etc. to put your hair up – this applies to both boys and girls. Also earrings should be removed or covered with a round, skin-colored Band-Aid.

Please take care of your uniform as if you owned it. Thanks!

New Sound System - Can you help?

This year we have had to purchase a new field sound system to make sure that we will have quality amplification of the soloists and pit for the performances. If you were at the competition this weekend you noticed that most of the bands have bigger sound systems to help amplify better for the settings we perform in. Now we have a new sound system and have it ready with donated customized steel carts that were built by a friend of mine to save us about \$1,800 and it will be used starting this weekend. We did not budget for this added expenditure and so are looking for any families or corporations that might be able to help us pay for the new \$7,000 sound system. Please contact us directly at the email of lincolnbandparents@gmail.com if you can help out. THANKS !

Holiday Inn Bloomington I-35, 1201 W 94th Street, 952-884-8211, code LHP

I just checked with the hotel to see how rooms reservations were going and we not only have filled the 30 in the block that we reserved but now have 45 rooms taken. So if you were thinking about this option you might want to get one of the remaining rooms available in this expanded special rate in the next week before the hotel is sold out. This is at the Holiday Inn for the Youth In Music competition the night of October 13th. It is at the same hotel the band students will be staying at. You need to call the hotel directly and request the special rate of \$79 for the Lincoln Bandparents and give them the code of LHP. The reservation is for a non-smoking room and the hotel number to make your individual reservation at is 952-884-8211.

Let's Go Band !

Joel and Barb Nevin

Presidents

LHS Bandparents Association

Important Dates to Remember:



- Sat Sep 22 Marshall Marching Band Festival, Marshall, MN
 Clinic and evening field performance - ALL DAY (10:30 am load/home 2:30 am)
- Mon Sep 24 Evening Rehearsal from 6-8:30 pm
- Tues Aug 25 Hy-Vee Grocery cards available from 6-7 p.m. by LHS bandroom door
- Sep 25-27 Morning Rehearsals at LHS from 6:55-8:05 am/8:15 am Fridays
- Fri Sep 28 No Rehearsal - No School - Teacher In-Service Day
- Sat Sep 29 Tri-State Band Festival-Parade & Field - Luverne, MN (morning & afternoon)
 Big Sioux Review - Field Competition - Brandon, SD (evening)
- Mon Oct 1 Monday Evening Rehearsal from 6-8:30 pm
- Tue Oct 2 DVD Recording Performance
- Fri Oct 5 Home Football game vs. Mitchell/report to Pheasants Stadium at 7 pm
- Sat Oct 6 Festival of Bands - Parade in morning/Field exhibition in evening

For more calendar information: www.lincolnband.org/calendar
For newsletters, schedules & forms: www.lincolnband.org/resources