

Memorial Day Parade E-Blast to Parents & Students

Dear Band Students:

To cap this year's wonderful season, our Band will be performing at the Annual Memorial Day Parade on Sunday, May 29. For this event, please be advised of the following:

What to Wear:

Students should wear their marching band pants, black shirt, black shoes, black socks and shorts. For non-marching band students participating in the parade, please report to Mrs. Anita Guererra at the uniform closet (at the hallway of Thorpe Auditorium) on either Monday, May 23 or Wednesday, May 25 to be fitted with your marching band pants and jackets. For non-marching band students, please wear black shirt, black shoes, black socks and shorts on the day of the parade.

If you have long hair, please put hair-clips on so that no hair will be hanging below your shako.

Color guards, please contact Mrs. Carol Talbot for your uniforms.

Before the Parade:

11:00AM -- Students with large instruments being stored in the school should report at the Band Room on the day of the parade to load your instruments onto a truck. Large instruments, drums, and uniforms will be transported to the Police Station at 11:30AM.

12:00PM -- Students should report to the Police Station parking lot no later than 12:00PM on the day of the parade. Please be aware that no parking is available at the Police Station and parking at the Highland School is very limited. Marching band jackets, shakos and plumes will be given out at that time.

12:30PM -- Band warm-up will start at 12:30PM or soon after students are given their marching band uniforms.

After Parade:

3:00PM -- The band will return to CHS around this time. Drinks will be served to the band in front of the Thorpe Auditorium building after the parade. All students will be required to turn in their band uniforms (pants and jackets) to Mrs. Jennifer Moynihan as soon as they arrive at the school. Please be advised that students will be asked to pay \$9.00 to cover for dry cleaning of the band uniforms.

Rain Date:

In case of bad or questionable weather conditions, call the Cheshire Parks and Recreation Department after at 203-250-2470.

Enjoy the parade!

Dennis Qunit
BPA - Internal VP

Dear Band Parents:

We will need volunteers to help with the Memorial Day Parade event. If you are available and would like to help out, please contact Dennis Qunit at 203-510-8312 or dqunit@cox.net.

Parent Volunteers:

We need help with the following:

Refreshment Crew -- we need parents to prepare and serve drinks to very thirsty students after the parade. These parents will be stationed at the Thorpe Auditorium building. Please report to the Band Room no later than 10:00AM.

Truck Crew -- we need parents to help load and unload instruments, drums, uniforms, and other miscellaneous items onto a truck. Please report at the Band Room at no later than 11:00AM.

Uniforms Crew -- we need parents to hand out band uniforms on the day of the parade and to collect them after the parade. Please report at the Police Station no later than 12:00PM and/or at the Thorpe Auditorium at around 3:00PM.

Water Crew -- we need parents to march with the band and hand out water bottles and spray the band with water during the parade. Please report to the Police Station no later than 12:00PM.

Donations for Drinks:

The band will be very thirsty and refreshments will be served to them right after the parade. For this reason, we would like to ask each band family to donate cans of soda, juice and/or bottled water. Please have your student(s) drop off these refreshments at the Band Room any time next week but no later than Friday, May 27.

We also need 6 coolers to put the drinks in -- please drop them off in the band room on Friday, May 27th.

Should you have any questions regarding this event, please feel free to contact me, Bill Peinhardt (203-482-0710) or Cliff Perdion (860-919-8042). Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there.