STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Please help the Friends of Music on Saturday, July 20, 2019 during the Bellingham Old Home Days. BFOM will be running the main concession stand at the football field on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Fireworks at 9 p.m. on Saturday night.

Go to www.BellinghamMusic.org and click on “Old Home Days”
OR use the QR code here to sign-up to volunteer →

Date: Saturday, July 20, 2019

Location: BHS Football Concession Stand

Community Service Hours are available for this event for students!

BFOM is looking for donations of food items for our Old Home Days Concession Stand.

We are looking for items ranging from soda and Gatorade to chips, candy and cookies.
Please go to www.BellinghamMusic.org and click on “Old Home Days” to sign-up to donate items or use the QR Code.
Dear Music families:

Below is an **UPDATED** schedule for Marching Band in August. Please share all of this information with your family – most of you will depend on them to give you transportation and help organize your summer schedule. I know that most parents are working and rides for younger students may be an issue for some rehearsals. Please email me in advance if transportation is a problem, there are other families who might be able to transport students if needed.

First, check the schedule of rehearsals in August below.  **These rehearsals are mandatory and very important!** We rehearse and learn the majority of our marching music and show at these August rehearsals.

**Tuesday, August 13**  Meeting & Work Session 6 to 8 p.m.  Section Leaders, Drumline, & Guard Captains ONLY

(**this was previously scheduled for Wednesday, 8/14, please note change!**)

**Monday, August 19**  Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.  ALL Band/Guard, Full Rehearsal

**Tuesday, August 20**  Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.  ALL Band/Guard, Full Rehearsal

**Wednesday, August 21**  Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.  ALL Band/Guard, Full Rehearsal

**Thursday, August 22**  4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  **ALL Band/Guard, Full Rehearsal & Performance**

8/22: Warm-up at 4 p.m. in BHS Band Room Performance at 5 p.m. at the Vietnam Memorial: Wall of that Heals Opening Ceremony at BMS Fields on Blackstone St, wear black music shirts, jeans and sneakers, ceremony is open to public, families are welcome to attend!

Please note: We have coordinated this opening ceremony performance with BHS Administration and Athletic Dept. - there are no captains practices, no sports practices or meetings during this opening ceremony on 8/22, all music students should attend the opening ceremony and participate in performance. This is a very special ceremony and opportunity for Bellingham students and the community to participate in the Wall that Heals.

**Wednesday, August 28**  Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.  ALL Band/Guard, Full Rehearsal

Your cooperation is expected and there is no excuse for not telling me of conflicts in advance (serious illness and emergency family situations are excused).  **If you are participating or trying out for a fall sport please let me know as well.**  Your coach and I will discuss any time conflicts and compromise to meet both the groups’ needs.

Second, practice your instrument!  You should be getting the music before school ends in June, the music is also posted in PDF format on the music website under High School Marching Band.  There is a lot of fun music for marching season – pop tunes included, BUT YOU NEED TO PRACTICE BEFORE YOU GET TO CAMP IN AUGUST.  Remember, all the parts are extremely important.  (If you need to use a school instrument and do not have one at home currently please contact me to arrange for an instrument as soon as possible.) All students can also download parts through our website as PDF’s www.BellinghamMusic.org – click on High School – Marching Band. You will need to use your @bpsdk12.org account to access the music in Google drive.

Third, read the rest of the enclosed information carefully.  You will need to bring a check to the first day of marching rehearsals along with several other items.  Incoming freshmen may already have the items needed, so not everyone will need to order music accessories or shoes.

At this time, there is no parent meeting scheduled in August.  If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me through email mforte@bpsdk12.org or call my voicemail at school (508) 966-3761 ext. 1123 and I will return your call as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Marie S. Forte
Band Director
Vietnam War Memorial - Wall That Heals
Opening Ceremony Information

Date: Thursday, August 22, 2019 Ceremony begins at 5:00 p.m. Open to the public
Location: Bellingham Memorial (Middle) School Fields, Blackstone Street, Bellingham, MA
Time: Warm-up at 4:00 p.m. in BHS Band Room, Ceremony starts at 5:00 p.m.
Wear: Black or Grey Music Shirts (either from Fenway or Six Flags), long jeans/pants (please no
rips, tears, as neat and professional as possible), hair pulled back from face, black marching shoes or
sneakers, no hats, no leggings, no shorts, no sandals, sunglasses and sunblock as needed.

Music to be performed (tentative), sheet music will be posted at www.BellinghamMusic for students
to download and practice:
● National Anthem (same arrangement as Fenway)
● America the Beautiful
● Main Street America (same song from Memorial Parade)
● Stars and Stripes Forever (easy version)
● Taps - 1 or 2 trumpet players are needed to play Taps

Other equipment needed - we need students to bring wire folding music stands to this
performance. If you have a music stand or can borrow one, please bring it. There will be chairs for
the students at the ceremony. Please bring your own bottle of water.

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WHAT TO BRING TO YOUR FIRST REHEARSAL:

● Your instrument, reeds, oil, neck-strap, sticks and mallets for percussion
● Your music
● Wear sneakers – No Sandals! No flip-flops! and please wear comfortable clothing.
● Sunblock
● Hat or sunglasses
● Bottle of WATER and a snack (and a bottle of WATER, WATER, WATER, get the hint?)
● Your smile

OUR FALL MARCHING SHOW
This year’s marching band show will be announced shortly.
We will post music on the website as PDF’s to print at home.
You will need to login to Google using your @bpsdk12.org account to download the music.
ORDER FORM
Bring this sheet and a check to the 1st marching rehearsal.

Student’s Name: ___________________________ Grade: __________

Home Phone: ___________________________ Guardian’s Name: ___________________________

Please indicate which items you need.
In general, all freshmen will probably need shoes, lyre and flip folder.
Upperclassmen will need to order items that they have lost or outgrown.

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**TOTAL AMOUNT**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:** Bellingham Friends of Music

Name of Account holder/person on the checking account:

Bank Name: ___________________________ Check number: ___________________________