



October 22, 2018

Dear Band Families,

*I think it is safe to say we had an awesome week! We had a bye week and missed the rain that came through Houston on Friday. We placed 2nd in Prelims AND Finals at Lonestar Preview and even won a caption award in Prelims for Outstanding Visual! This caption award encompasses how the kids march, how they do their choreography, what the forms look like, how the guard spins and dances and if the drill matches what they are hearing. This was a good caption to win as it shows that our production is clear and the kids are performing it at a high level of excellence!*

*Thank you for all your support this past weekend. It is the coolest thing in the world to hear the thunderous applause every time we take the field for a performance and a louder one when we are finished.*

*This week is Crazy! Although I have the schedule on the right, I still would like to tell you what I know...I will send additional information as soon as we get it.*

**UIL Region Schedule (10/23):**

3:15-4:15 PM Run through

7:15 PM Performance time!

**UIL Area Schedule (10/27):**

*This will be an early departure, but I will not know the exact time until sometime on Wednesday. The rest of the day will be TBD as it is also a Prelims/Finals format.*

**BOA San Antonio Schedule (11/3):**

4:30 AM Arrive

5:00 AM Depart! **We will not/cannot wait for late arrivals. Please be on time!**

9:00 AM Arrive at the Alamodome

11:00 AM Performance time!

4:30ish PM Retreat

*If we do not make finals, we will eat dinner at the stadium and head back home. If we do make finals, obviously, we will stay and it will be a VERY late night coming home.*

*I hope this helps a little with scheduling. I will have more information next week if we make the UIL State Marching Contest (fingers crossed!).*

*As always, we promote positive communication within our band program. If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to email me at [jgorring@conroeisd.net](mailto:jgorring@conroeisd.net).*

Respectfully,  
Mr. Gorrington

## Upcoming Dates

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### Week of 10/22

MODIFIED Practice Schedule:

Monday 3:30-6:30 PM

Tuesday 7:15 PM UIL Region  
Marching Performance

Wednesday Regular Practice

Thursday Regular Practice

Fri, 10/26 CPHS vs. Klein Oak at  
Woodforest (home)

Sat. 10/27 – UIL Area Marching  
Performance at Galena Park ISD  
Stadium TBD Performance time

### Week of 10/29

MODIFIED Practice Schedule:

Monday 3:30-6:30 PM

(No Wind Ensemble sectional)

Tuesday Regular Practice

Wednesday Regular Practice

Thurs, 11/1 CPHS vs. Klein Cain  
at Klein Memorial Stadium

Fri, 11/2 3:30 PM Run-through

Sat, 11/3 – Third Contest!  
BOA San Antonio Alamodome  
11:00 AM Performance Time  
Schedule for the day is TBD

### Week of 11/5

\*Nov, 5-6 - UIL State

Marching Contest. San Antonio

\*Dependent on qualification

Thurs, 11/8 CPHS vs. Klein  
High School at Woodforest  
(home)

Fri, 11/9 March-off and Burger  
Bash after school!



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### **FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS CPHS VS. KLEIN OAK WOODFOREST STADIUM – HOME**

3:15-4:15 PM	Run-through
4:15-5:15 PM	Eat, Load
5:45 PM	Drivers at the gate
7:00 PM	Kickoff

### **FULL UNIFORM REQUIRED FOR GAME AND UIL**

Black spandex shorts	CP dry fit band shirt
Black gloves	Black marching shoes
Long, black socks	Garment & Duffel bags
Rain poncho	No jewelry
*Sunscreen	*Money for souvenirs
*Show Shirt	*Change of shoes

\*Items needed for **SATURDAY** contest only

### **FINAL FAIR SHARE WAS DUE OCTOBER 15TH**

5 <sup>th</sup> Payment	10-15-18	\$136
<b>TOTAL FAIR SHARE</b>		<b>\$680</b>

### **COME SUPPORT OUR AMAZING BAND!**

#### **TICKET INFORMATION FOR UPCOMING CONTESTS**

10/23 UIL Region Marching Contest at Woodforest Stadium:

\$3.00 admission, 12 and older, pay at gate only, no online ticket sales. Free parking. Band performs at 7:15 PM

10/27 UIL Area Marching Contest at Galena Park ISD Stadium:

\$5.00 admission, 6 and older, pay at gate only, no online ticket sales. Free parking. Band will perform in the morning. Exact time is TBD based on 10/23 Region.

11/3 Bands of America (BOA) San Antonio at Alamodome in San Antonio:

\$22 for prelims, \$30 for finals. If we make finals, we will stay and perform. If we don't, we will leave after dinner. Buy tickets at the gate or online: [Music for All](#). Tickets are all general admission. No assigned seats. Band performs at 11:00 AM.

11/5-6 UIL State Marching Contest at Alamodome in San Antonio

(if we qualify): \$19 single session, \$30 double session (prelims and finals). \$20 cash parking. No re-entry. Buy at gate or online ticket sales: [Ticketmaster](#). Tickets are all general admission. No assigned seats.

Be aware of the Alamodome's very specific, clear bag policy:

[Clear Bag Policy](#).

### **THE BOA 2018 HOURLY RATE FROM THE 10/6 SHOW IS IN**

Volunteers earned \$14 per hour they logged! If you have any questions about your remaining Fair Share balance with this included, please email [accounts.receivable@cpcb.org](mailto:accounts.receivable@cpcb.org). If you have any questions or FEEDBACK about BOA, please email Catie Dixon at [boa.coordinator@cpcb.org](mailto:boa.coordinator@cpcb.org).

### **UPCOMING SPIRIT NIGHTS!**

Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup> – California Pizza Kitchen, 11 AM-10 PM  
Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> – Russo's: Spirit Day

### **"TREAT" YOUR BAND KIDDOS RIGHT!**

The spirit committee is sending the kids off to BOA San Antonio with some treats. If you would like to help by sending in a bag or two of candy, click the link to see what is needed: [SignUp Genius](#). Please bring your donation to practice on Monday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> OR Tuesday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. Look for the black, Ford Expedition, near the "popsicle area." Or, you may drop candy off in the band hall until 5:45 PM, Tuesday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

### **2018-2019 CAVALIER BAND SPONSORS**

*We are still accepting Corporate and Family Sponsorships!*  
Contact Mary Lee at [corporatesponsorship@cpcb.org](mailto:corporatesponsorship@cpcb.org)

### **WHAT HAPPENS AFTER FOOTBALL SEASON ENDS?**

Our last game is a home game at Woodforest on Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, against Klein HS. If we make playoffs (whaaatt?!), the band will continue supporting our football team in the stands, but they will no longer march their show. They will still take the field, perform a few stand tunes for the CP crowd and feature our Twirlers. The Revs will still perform as well. Every year, it is a grieving process when the show ends! Marching practice will end after the 11/8 game and we will have our annual Burger Bash on Friday, 11/9. There will be a brief march-off at 3:30 PM and then we will have burgers for the band afterwards. Please make sure your child attends this "practice."

Other things to look forward to after marching season are Winter Guard Auditions, Region Orchestra Auditions and Region Band Auditions. Check the calendar for additional information.

After the holiday break in December, sectionals start with once-a-week, after-school practices for Symphonic and Wind Ensemble members. Concert 1 and Concert 2 bands have their sectionals during class time. Stay tuned for what day your child has their sectional. Otherwise, it is regular dismissal!



## **REHEARSAL/PERFORMANCE POLICY**

Please be aware of our rehearsal/performance policy as it applies to each student in the band. Please note that this policy is put in place, first and foremost, for the safety of our students. This policy also promotes our families to be proactive in planning for the next few months, as well as providing a set of expectations that will ensure the highest quality product presented at the highest competitive level.

### **Tardy**

Students not in their designated area at the appropriate time will be marked tardy. A tardy will be converted to a mark of absent 10 minutes after the rehearsal begins.

### **Excused Tardy**

Tardiness may be excused at the discretion of the directors. Tutorials, appointments etc. will not be an excuse for tardiness unless prior arrangements (24 hours prior), with written documentation, are made and approved by a director.

### **Unexcused Tardy**

Students who have more than one unexcused tardy shall make up missed time (arranged by a director) and may be subject to one of the following consequences at the discretion of a band director:

- Loss of spot as a primary marcher
- Requirement to stay after rehearsal or report early to next rehearsal to make up lost time
- Requirement to make up 15 minutes of fundamental marching with his/her section leader

### **Excused Absence**

Excused absences are case-by-case, however, all absences will be excused for a death in the family or a medical condition that prohibits the student to participate. The medical condition will require a note from the doctor to be excused.

### **Unexcused Absence**

Unexcused absences are anything that does not fall into the excused absence category. This will also be decided on a case by case situation; Vacation, taking sister/brother to college, or pre-planned trip, for example, will be an unexcused absence.

### **Absence policy**

- If two (2) rehearsals are missed during a week, the student will not perform at the performance on Friday night and as a result, the Saturday performance (in October).
- If a student misses the last rehearsal day of the week (3rd day), they will not be able to perform at the next performance.
- If a student cannot learn what they missed by the last rehearsal day before the performance, they will not be able to perform on the Friday performance, and as a result, the Saturday performance (in October).
- If a student misses two (2) performances, they will be removed from their marching spot in the marching band.
- If an excused absence falls on a performance date, the missed performance will not count against the student.