

# Heritage Band

## Notes

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### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS AND VETERANS!

### P.I.T.P.I.E.

Dear Band Members and Parents,

Summer will soon be drawing to a close and we are looking forward to another great year for the Heritage High School Band. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all NEW band members to the Heritage Band! Please be sure to check [www.hhsbands.com](http://www.hhsbands.com) for important information concerning band practice schedules. Please observe all deadlines posted in this newsletter and arrange your personal schedule to accommodate our practice schedule. All practices are mandatory.

Excused absences are: Illness or family emergency, with a note from parent. **Any other absence must be approved PRIOR to the event.** An unexcused absence will suspend you from the Marching Band.

There is no shortcut to having a great band. It takes a lot of hard work, commitment and a positive attitude from every member. Please note the policy in the Band Handbook that everyone will receive.

There will be a short band camp chaperone meeting on Tuesday, July 20th at 6:30 P.M. Our first regular Band Booster's Meeting will be Tues, Aug. 17th at 7:30 PM. Booster Meetings occur on the third Tuesday of the month. No regular meetings in June, July and December. THANK YOU for your continued support of your children. We certainly appreciate the opportunity to work with them!

**NOTE:** This newsletter will be available online at [www.hhsbands.com](http://www.hhsbands.com) WITHOUT the need for a password. Future online documents that are deemed "sensitive" in nature (phone lists, newsletters containing personal information of parents and/or students, or other information deemed not suitable for the entire world to know) will require a password that will be given at the next booster meeting in the band room.



## Welcome..... New Band Members!!!!!!

NOTE: Please check your name and address on your newsletter mailing label and let us know of any corrections. Thank you.

Band Office - (770) 860-1712

**All Students should be able to perform ALL marching music by July 15th. "Grieg Suite" MUST be memorized by this date as well.**

## ATTENTION

The Heritage Band will practice on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday during the regular fall season. No Wednesday practices. Practices are scheduled 4 PM - 6 PM.

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### Heritage Band Booster Executive Board

#### PRESIDENTS

Terry Potts and Linda Manning

#### 1st VICE-PRESIDENTS

Melanie Lingerfelt

Jeannie Hula

#### 2nd VICE-PRESIDENTS

Nancy Harvey

Becky Alread

#### 3rd VICE-PRESIDENTS

Robert & Debbie Golden

Grady & Roxanne Dukes

Garland & Teresa Howard

#### SECRETARIES

Pat Harrison & Jim Leonard

#### TREASURER

Barry & Naomi Beers

Clay & Holle Stapp



## Band Presidents Note

We would like to first of all welcome the new folks that have joined us this year. We are anxious to get to know each of you. It is hard to believe that it is time to start up a new year. You will see how exciting it is to be a part of HHS Marching Band and seeing the *Best Of The Best* perform!!!! We look forward in getting everyone involved in some aspect of our marching season. If there is a specific area that you would like to help with and you have not been contacted, please let us know. We truly believe in parent involvement. It is the only way to have a program of this magnitude run smoothly and professionally...plus we have a great time together.

Also, mark your calendars now for the monthly meetings. They are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the HHS Bandroom. This is the best way to get information first hand and know of upcoming events.

To all those returning for another year, thanks for all that you have already done to get this year up and running. There have been several people working throughout the summer getting the bandroom ready and better organized. Ya'll are the best. Thanks!

Terry and Linda - Co-Presidents

## Heritage Uniform Issue

**Officers and Librarians - Thursday, July 15th (2:00 - 5:30 PM)**

**Veteran Band Members - Monday, July 19th (2:00 - 5:30 PM)**

**Flag and Dance Line - TBA**

**Freshmen and Rookies (New Marchers)- Tuesday, July 20th (2:00 - 5:30 PM)**

## Band Student Officers

**Garrett Eckerl, *Band Captain***  
**George Alread & Demario Freeman,**  
***Drum Majors***

**Chris Wojcik, *1st Lieutenant***

**Linh Pham, *1st Lieutenant***

**Justin Creal, *2nd Lieutenant***

**Gabbi Irvin, *2nd Lieutenant***

**Brandis Howard, *2nd Lieutenant***

**Jay Dixon, *Drum Captain***

**Matt Manning, *Drum 1st Lieutenant***

**Eric Harper, *Drum 2nd Lieutenant***

**Carley Serra, *Flag/ Dance Captain***

**Erin Smith, *Flag/Dance 1st Lieutenant***

**Jessie Galloway, *Flag/Dance 2nd Lieutenant***

# WELCOME

## From the Band Officers

Greetings from the band officers to all band members, young and old, first year marchers and veterans, who will be participating in the 2004 season. We are very excited about this year's program, and we can't wait for it to begin. With hard work and determination we can make this year one of the best years for the Heritage Band.

Band will be getting off to an early start this year due to the balanced schedule. This will give more time for everyone to become friends and bond to create a group who works together like a well-oiled machine. We will have plenty of opportunities to show off our hard work, from Band Camp and practices, during halftime shows at football games and especially at our band competitions.

The officer staff hopes to become friends with everyone individually and as a group. We hope everyone enjoys his or her year in one of the greatest bands in Georgia while creating memories that will be reflected upon throughout their lifetime. The officers can't wait to see you in July to begin the season, and until then have a good summer.

Sincerely,  
*The Heritage Band Officers of 2004-05*

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## FFA FCCLA CAMP AWAY BAND CAMP July 22 - July 25 (Thursday - Sunday)

Our Away Camp will be held at the FFA/FCCLA Camp in Covington (A map will be given out at a later date). You may find out more information about the camp at [http://aged.ces.uga.edu/ffa\\_camp](http://aged.ces.uga.edu/ffa_camp)

Students must provide their own transportation to and from camp. **Student automobiles will NOT be allowed to remain on the camp grounds.** Please arrange to be dropped off and picked up for the away camp. Students must arrive at camp between 2-3:30PM on **Thursday, July 22nd.**

All outstanding band fees and medical forms must be turned in by drop off at the away camp. **Students pack lite!!!** Students are to be picked up Sunday, July 25th at 1:00 PM as the CAMPEXHIBITIONPERFORMANCE begins at 1:00 PM on the upper level practice field. The Band will perform a short portion of their show at this time and family members are invited and encouraged to attend. This performance will conclude our stay at the camp in Covington. **Cabin sign-ups will be on Tuesday, July 20th at HHS.**

The new Band T-Shirts will be passed out at camp. Extra T-Shirts for family and friends will be available at our first Booster Club meeting in August.

The weather will be HOT! Please try to bring a water jug, sunscreen, hat, and sunglasses. Drink LOTS OF WATER and watch the junk food intake!

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**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK THE BAND WEBSITE FOR CURRENT CALENDAR INFORMATION AT: <http://www.hhsbands.com>**



## What is a Band Parent?

A Band Parent is one whose child is the greatest. From the first note (perhaps squeak is more descriptive) through the monotonous scales the parent beams because this young musician is learning so fast.

A Band Parent quickly learns that it requires considerable hard work, time, and money to have a championship band. After extending credit to purchase an instrument and finally locating a pair of plain-toe white shoes, the harried Band Parent is then introduced to fund-raising campaigns. This usually means selling hot dogs, popcorn, and soft drinks during football games while the band is doing the halftime show. In between runs on the concession stand, the parent dreams of the day when oil will be discovered in the end zone sufficient to finance all school functions, beginning with the band.

A Band Parent is a calm multipurpose machine who can bring order out of the chaos of getting ready for a high school football game. Dad rushes to the cleaners to pick up the uniform while Mom irons the shirt, finds the other black sock, cooks a quick hamburger, removes a spot of mustard from the uniform trousers, combs hair, and herds the family into the station wagon for a speed-breaking dash to the school.

The following week the game is away from home and the Band Parent becomes a chaperon, substitute bus driver, nurse, and dispenser of hair pins, safety pins, tape for the flags, aspirins, shoe laces, and sundry other essential items.

A Band Parent relives childhood memories on a cold, slow-moving school bus filled with shouting, singing, and sleeping band members.

Those parents attending away games get to see the halftime show; but unless they move to the "opponent" side they will only see the back of the band and hear the echo.

A Band Parent is one who criticizes the band director for calling extra practice sessions, praises him for instilling teamwork and discipline, and defends him from outside critics who scoff at his style-setting uniform designs.

Band Parents are proud persons, especially when their children make all-state or the band wins a trophy.

On graduation day a Band parent is a relieved person. No more hectic pregame nights — no more fund-raising activities — vacations can be taken anytime and not scheduled around summer band camp — no more...Oh No!

A Band Parent is one who has a younger child who announces: "Guess What? I'm Joining The Band."

### HHS BAND FEE SCHEDULE

Standard Band Membership - \$320.00/year  
(4 installments of \$80.00, May 1st, June 1st, July 1st, August 1st.)

Non-marchers - \$95.00/yr.

(non-marchers fees due Aug. 2nd)

### Medical Form and Rules Form

Please read the Band Camp Rules enclosed in this Newsletter and review them with your child. Also, please complete the Medical Form and **Mail it** to Heritage High along with your band fees and any shoe orders.

Our Mailing Address is:

**Heritage High Band**  
**2400 Granade Rd.**  
**Conyers, GA 30094**



### 2004-05 BAND LIBRARIANS

**Jennifer Hula, Head Librarian**

**Rebecca Leonard, Assistant Head Librarian**

Mary Harvey, Anna Vier, Hannah Parker, Katie Hallman, Megan Mahaffey, Rachel Wood, Ashley Bartel, Kailyn Symons, Janice Etheridge.

**LIBRARIAN WORKDAYS: Begin**  
**Wednesday, July 14th in the band**  
**room.**

## Heritage Band Shoe Ordering Information

**All Marching Band Members (Except Flags) must have a pair of Black Marching Shoes. Shoes can be ordered through the Band Office by August 2nd. Complete the form below and Mail to the Band Office (ATTN: Mr. Howell) along with your payment of \$ 30.00.**

### Heritage Band Shoe Order Form - \$30.00

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Shoe Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Width: Order 1/2 size above regular size for wide, except for men's 11 -15 (order whole size above)

Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_

*Women's Sizes (5 - 12, including half sizes)*

*Men's Sizes (6 1/2 to 11 including half sizes and 11 - 15 in whole sizes only)*

Send to: Heritage High Band  
ATTN: Shoe Orders / Mr. Howell  
2400 Granade Road  
Conyers, GA 30094

## Fall Performance Schedule

Friday, August 20th (7:30 PM)

Griffin (A)

Friday, August 27 (7:30 PM)

Salem (H - Reid Stadium)

Friday, September 3 (7:30)

Habersham Central (A)

Friday, September 10- Rockdale (A - Reid)

Friday, September 17 (7:30 PM)

Madison County (H - Evans)

Friday, September 24th (7:30)

Cedar Shoals (H - Evans)

Friday, October 8 - OPEN

Friday, October 15 (7:30 PM)

Jackson County (H - Evans) HOMECOMING

Friday, October 22 (7:30 P.M)

Clarke Central (A)

Friday, October 29th (7:30 PM) SENIOR NIGHT

Loganville - (H - Evans)

Friday, November 5th - STATE PLAYOFFS



## Camp Calendar

Wednesday, Jul. 14 - Officers and Librarians Report  
(9 AM - 5:30 PM)

Thursday, July 15 - Librarians and Officers (9 AM - 5:30 PM)

Friday, July 16 - All Flags, Drums, Officers, Librarians AND NEW MARCHERS begin work daily at HHS (9 AM - 12:30 and 2:00 - 5:30 PM)

Saturday, July 17 - All Flags, Drums, Officers, Librarians AND NEW MARCHERS SAME TIME (9 AM - 12:30 and 2:00 - 5:30 PM)

Sunday, July 18 - NO PRACTICE

Monday, July 19 - ALL STUDENTS (New and Veterans) 9-12:30 PM and 2:00-5:30 PM.

Tuesday, July 20th - ALL STUDENTS (New and Veterans) 9-12:30 PM and 2:00-5:30 PM.

Wednesday, July 21st - : All Students Report (9-12:30PM) and (2-5:30 PM)

Thursday, July 22nd - Camp Check-in at FFA/FHA from 2-3:30 PM

Sunday, July 25th - Final camp run-thru (1:00 PM)

Monday & Tuesday, July 26th and 27th - No Practice : Recover from camp!

Wednesday, July 28th - 9:00AM - 11:00 AM

Thursday, July 29th - 9:00AM - 11:00 AM

Monday, August 2nd - First Day for Students (Regular Practice is M, T, TH 4-6 PM).

## Notes :

# Heritage High School Band Camp Rules and Regulations

- 1) Cabins will be checked before band arrives. Students are responsible for keeping rooms clean and orderly each day for inspection. On Monday, each cabin will have a final and complete cleaning by band students.
- 2) The Band Camp is a school-sanctioned trip. Therefore, all Rockdale County School Rules are in full effect. This includes the rules regarding the use or possession of tobacco products or alcohol. Students found in violation of these rules will immediately be brought before the school administration for disciplinary action.
- 3) No student may leave camp at any time and no student vehicles allowed at camp.
- 4) No students may have visitors at the camp other than parents/guardians. Anyone else will be asked to leave.
- 5) Boys will not be allowed in girls' cabins or girls in boys' cabins.
- 6) Money and valuables should be kept with you at all times.
- 7) TENNIS SHOES must be worn at all practices. NO BARE FEET AND NO FLIP FLOPS!
- 8) Proper behavior is expected at all times, especially in the swimming and recreation areas. Obey the lifeguard. Horseplay, playing other instruments than your own and other inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated. *There are no initiations and hazing of any kind.*
- 9) Any student found guilty of damage or destruction of camp property will pay for damages with a definite referral to school administration for disciplinary action and sent home IMMEDIATELY.
- 10) Curfews and lights out will be strictly enforced. At "**Lights Out**" all radios, TV's, etc. are to be turned off so that they do not annoy others. OBEY your cabin chaperones. Everyone needs rest in order to function properly during the day.
- 11) Students are to eat all meals provided to them. This includes BREAKFAST! Don't live on junk food.
- 12) The Heritage Band enjoys an outstanding reputation in Georgia and the southeast. Your part in upholding this reputation will be tested this weekend. These rules are in effect for a successful and safe band camp. Students in violation of these rules will be sent home and further disciplinary action regarding the participation in the band will be determined by the directors.
- 13) If a chaperone or staff member asks you to do something...JUST DO IT. If you feel the request isn't reasonable, DO IT ANYWAY and see Mr. G or Mr. H after you do it. NEVER SHOW DISRESPECT TO A CHAPERONE OR STAFF MEMBER!
- 14) HAVE FUN!! **ALL STUDENTS BRING A WIRE MUSIC STAND TO CAMP.**

## AWAY BAND CAMP CHECK LIST

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Musical Instrument           | <input type="checkbox"/> Underwear          | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen lotion     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Wire Stand (Required)</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheets (Twin size) | <input type="checkbox"/> Spending money       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reeds, Oil, etc.             | <input type="checkbox"/> Blanket (optional) | for concessions                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bathing suit                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow             | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Towels             | <input type="checkbox"/> Water jug            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> T-shirts                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries         | <input type="checkbox"/> Small fan (optional) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socks                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses         | <input type="checkbox"/> Hat                  |

*Bring water bottles to all band practices at Camp and Heritage!*





## HERITAGE HIGH SCHOOL BAND MEDICAL FORM & PARENTAL CONSENT



Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Place of business: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Place of business: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Other emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's personal physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital preference: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_



**\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR INSURANCE CARD \*\*\*\*\***  
Student Social Security Number (Required @ Hospitals) \_\_\_\_\_



Check any ALLERGIES and specify nature of REACTION:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pollen / Hayfever | <input type="checkbox"/> Medication ( _____ )     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bee Stings        | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Allergies ( _____ ) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insects ( _____ ) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( _____ )          |

Nature of REACTION to any of above: \_\_\_\_\_

ANY Medication student is currently taking: \_\_\_\_\_

The medication currently being administered is for the treatment of: \_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL HISTORY of which a physician might need to be aware (include surgery within the last year, serious injury, and any chronic or recurring condition)

Additional information of which we need to be aware : (any restriction to physical activities, including swimming).

My student has my permission to participate in Heritage Band activities for the current school year. I release, and hold harmless, the school, sponsors, and chaperones of all liability in connection with activities. I understand that school system rules are in effect for any school sponsored event and any infraction of these rules will be handled by the administration.

***I DO / DO NOT (circle one) authorize a representative of the Heritage High School Band to secure medical treatment for \_\_\_\_\_ (student's name) as may become necessary.***

**I will keep this information updated and current, notifying the director of any changes.**

Parent/ Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public Signature, #, and Seal \_\_\_\_\_

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