



MCQUEEN BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION

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Mark Your Calendar

August 3-7 Percussion/guard camp begins TBA

August 12 Band Parent Meeting 7pm Band Room

August 10-26 Entire Band Camp M-Th 2-9pm /Fri. 2-7pm.

August 15 Car Wash—Walgreens 10am-2pm

August 18 Extravaganza planning meeting 7pm band room

August 22 Football game at UNR stadium—band plays TBA

August 26 Band Bash and BBQ 6:30 pm for parents

August 31 School begins/Rehearsals begin
every Mon. and Wed. from 5:45pm- 8:45pm

Sept. 2 Band Parent Meeting 7pm Band Room

Sept. 2-7 Nugget Rib Cook Off fundraiser

Sept. 11 McQ Football Game

Sept. 12 Saturday Rehearsal 9-3:30

Sept. 18 McQ football game

Sept. 19 Band Day 9am -12pm

Sept. 26 Saturday Rehearsal 9-3:30

Oct. 3 EXTRAVAGANZA!! All Day

Oct. 7 Band Parent Meeting 7pm Band Room



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From the Band Director's Desk

Dear Parents and Students,

The 2009-2010 Lancer Band will be the best band ever. The reason it is going to be great, is because of YOU! McQueen High School has the greatest students anywhere. We have the best parents. We have a super administration. We have a wonderful staff, who works tirelessly to make YOUR band, the best it can be.



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You received a letter and calendar a couple of weeks ago with the rehearsal schedule. Please review the days and times. Our first public performance is only two weeks after we begin practicing. Thus, be prepared. We must progress quickly through our August rehearsals.

Parents, I invite all of you to participate and be a part of your son/daughter band experience. Our band is a very special organization. You do NOT want to miss your student's special experiences this fall.

I look forward to seeing everyone (students and parents) as we strive to achieve excellence this school year.

Rick Moffit
Director of Bands
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Band Parents to Band Parents

Is it really August already? Ooops, Hello band parents students and alumni.....and anyone else that reads this newsletter. I am struggling with how fast summer is going by.....I must be too busy. We just finished the Triathlon at Pyramid Lake and the promoter of the event asked me if we will be back next year. I remember working the event last year and it's amazing how fast it went by. I told him "yes, I am sure we will need to raise money next year too". I want to thank all the people that came out and pitched in with the event. It was hot and humid; we worked hard in the sun and got dirty. But it went by so fast we found ourselves driving home around noon because everyone pitched in for the whole event. Yes, there is a point to all this. It seems we have mostly the same parents that volunteer for fundraising. For instance, we had 17 people at the Triathlon today. If we use last year's numbers we will average nearly \$100. or more per person. This event pays band fees of the kids who showed up. If both parents and the student(s) show up, the family has paid a MAJOR portion of the fees. Not all fundraisers pay fees, some pay for the quality of food our students enjoy when traveling, some pays for new instruments and instrument repair so that parents don't have to buy and repair them. We need a new trailer for hauling uniforms; all of that cost comes from fundraisers. All because someone spent their time working a fundraiser, often spending time with their child and displaying an attitude of volunteering that could stay with them forever. We have quite a few events this and next month and we still need a few great people to help. So get involved, everyone of you has a gift or talent that could not only help while your student is in band, but help students for years to come at McQueen High School. Remember, life goes by fast, just like the last year, the last birthday and the last fundraiser I worked.

Pete Hull,
BPA President

Fundraising Committee: We have a few events coming up and need as many parents help that we can get. If you can volunteer even a little of your time, we'll find something for you to do. Band fees will be due soon and you can work to pay some of the fees. Hot August Nights for the Nugget, thank you parents that signed up to work in the drink booth. Car wash at Walgreen's on August 15th. Students check with your section leader for the time you work, it will either be the 10 to noon shift or noon to 2 shift. We can use a few more parents also. We will be pre-selling tickets which we will start handing out on Monday August 10th. Rib Cook Off for the Nugget is September 2nd through the 7th. We have 3 shifts for 6 days and we need a lot of help for this event. Please signup. The Nugget has been a great supporter for the McQueen band and we do not want to lose their events. Band Day is September 19. Extravaganza is October 3rd. Fundraisers are a great way to get involved with the band. If you have any fundraising ideas please email or call me.

Karla Hull
VP Fundraising

News from the Band Room

Welcome back to our returning students and families and a welcome to new students and families. I look forward to meeting all new students and family members as well and getting reacquainted with returning students and families. I will be looking for bus chaperones for all of our fall contests as well as overnight chaperones for our trip to Fresno October 24th. If you are interested in chaperoning any of these trips please contact me. Overnight chaperones need to have their fingerprints and background check done through the district and it needs to be done 6 weeks before the event. A Band Handbook and Emergency Contact Information sheet will be coming home with your student during band camp or the first week of school. Please be on the look out for these and complete these and send back the forms as soon as possible. They can be turned into the drop box in Mr. Moffit's office door. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Cindra Maramdola
Band Coordinator

VISIT OUR WEBSITE mcqueenband.org FOR THE LATEST INFO, PICTURES AND UPDATES

Annual McQueen Band Car Wash

Saturday, August 15 from 10-2pm. Set up is at 9am.

Mr. Moffit will assign sections to timeslots. Parents sign up with Karla Hull to help out.

Section leaders will hand out tickets for presale at band camp August 10. Money from the first 5 tickets sold goes to BPA (which students are required to sale) – all tickets sold after that goes towards individual band fees. Potential for big personal profits here. Karla will be at band camp each day to collect money and hand out additional tickets. Return money from sold tickets in envelope with band members name on it in the slot in Mr. Moffit's Door to receive credit for sold tickets. Contact Karla Hull at vp.fundraising@mcqueenband.org or 843-3812 if you have any questions regarding this fundraiser.

McQueen Pit Crew Committee

McQueen band needs help getting the pit on and off the field during competitions and football games. Part of the judging is getting the pit instruments on and off the field. The pit band members know where everything goes, we just need bodies to move the instruments. Contact Dan Green at 771-3170

HELP WANTED: for first game of the season on August 22nd at UNR. Game is at 7pm - call time TBA. Need two parent volunteers to help make sure students are all spiffed up in their uniforms - hair secured under shakos, plumes in place, etc. Please contact Debbie Lewis if you'd like to help @746-3624. Should take no longer than 45 minutes of your time, then go enjoy the game. Thank you.

Escrip

Go to escrip.com to register your Safeway card so the band gets immediate and automatic credit for all your purchase. An easy way to raise funds for the band. Contact Karla Hull for more information.

Note from the Uniform Committee

Get to meet other parents in the band. Drop in the uniform room during the August Band Camp to help organize uniforms. We will be fitting students in the uniforms, labeling the uniforms and ironing pants. More help, the better. Call Jean Zordell 223-1498, Trisha Watson 225-2302, or Diane Wood 787-8030.

Grant Writing Committee

If anyone knows of a grant source, corporate giving program, or corporate matching funds program from their employer, please contact Tina Ford at 303-9530 (cell); 329-8310 (wk), or via email at tjfsader@sbcglobal.net

A message from the food committee.....

Our marching season is fast approaching and I need everyone to let me know if your child or children have any food allergies/sensitivities, or if they are vegetarians (Even if they are NOT new to the band this year).With the allergies we **WILL** plan alternatives if it is something your child cannot have. But, we need to know before arriving at our first competition! As for the vegetarians, I need to know what type, if they are a strict vegan etc. We do our best to offer a variety of foods to choose from so everyone will have *something* to eat, but if you or your child is in question either contact me or pack a light lunch/dinner to insure a full tummy!

Coming up quickly is the McQueen's Band Bash and BBQ, this year it will take place at the end of August. This is a fabulous event, and lots of fun. However that fun, takes work, and the food committee needs help. I will go into more details in the near future, however some of the positions that we will need help with are, Grillers (anyone with BBQ skills), Servers, set up and clean up. Please let me know if you are interested. itsmemadge@yahoo.com 775-233-6216 (Peggy's Cell phone). Thanks MUCH for your time!

The Food Committee

New Band Parents

If you received a paper copy of this newsletter and you would like to help save paper and the BPA money, please email Monica Anderson at mcqbandinfo@sbcglobal.net with your name, your band member's name, and the email address you wish the newsletter to be sent too. She will add you to the band email list and you will receive timely updates and the monthly newsletter electronically. If you email address changes, let her know that too via email.

110 out of 160 members are already on the band email.
Why aren't you?

Water Wagon Committee

I would like to ask for returning and new Water Wagon people. It is an easy way to help, especially if you are already going to the football games and you don't have to go to every one of them. Contact Sandra Casey Smith at scasey@washoe.k12.nv.us or 741-2104 to sign up to help at a game. The water wagon committee provides water to the band during football games. It is a fun way to see the football game and do your part to support the band. Water wagon members need to be at the school by 5:30 on game night to get ready.

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