

April 3rd, 2023

Dear Stevenson Band Families,

Believe it or not, it is already time to begin planning for the 2023-2024 school year! In order for the Band Directors to ensure that all of our students have what they need to be successful this fall, we ask that **ALL BAND FAMILIES** complete the following steps as soon as possible:

 Fill out the <u>23-24 Band and Color Guard Intake Form</u> to tell us whether or not you need an instrument from District 125 and whether or not you will be part of the Marching Band. If you will be a Marching Band member, this form is also where you will pay your membership dues (\$50.00 for new members, \$10.00 for returning members). We encourage you to purchase the optional - and awesome - Band Camp Meal Plan (\$25.00) and consider making a donation to the Band Parent Organization (\$15.00).

All Band and Color Guard Intake Forms are due **Thursday, June 1st** and can be found at this link:



- 2) Sign Up for the Email Lists.
 - REQUIRED for All Band Families: Sign up for the Stevenson Band email list
 - Send and email to: shs_band+subscribe@d125.org
 - Write "Subscribe" in the subject line, and then write "subscribe" in the email body.
 - REQUIRED for Marching Band Families: Sign up for the Marching Band email list
 - Send and email to: shs_marchingband+subscribe@d125.org
 - Write "Subscribe" in the subject line, and then write "subscribe" in the email body.
- 3) Mark your calendars with the events found in the **Stevenson Band Program Full Calendar** and the **Marching Band Calendar** that are included with this mailer.

- 4) Schedule annual summer maintenance for your personal horn. We recommend taking it to Music and Arts in Itasca or Quinlan and Fabish in Arlington Heights.
- 5) If you are checking out an instrument from Stevenson, tell us that on your intake form and then mark your calendar for **Instrument Pick Up on Thursday**, **June 1st**, **2023** from **4:00-6:00** PM in the Band Room at Stevenson.
- 6) Consider signing up for private lessons over the summer. This is a great time to catch up or get ahead. Visit the SHS PREP Website for more information: <u>https://www.d125.org/parents/prep/private-music-lessons</u>

Additional information about Marching Band (including Drumline and Frontline) can be found in the remaining pages of this mailer. We will be sharing more details about band camp through our Marching Band Email List in early June. If you need more information about Color Guard, please contact Coach Tseitlin and Coach Gaul (mtseitlin@d125.org; kgaul@d125.org).

Thank you!

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