

FOREST PARK HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BRUIN BAND

2021 HANDBOOK



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Welcome to the 2021-22 Forest Park Marching Bruin Band!



We are so happy to have you and your student join us and are even more excited about the upcoming season of the Marching Bruin Band. With new uniforms, drumline equipment and a custom arranged production, the 2021 marching season is looking to be the best yet! In an effort to keep you informed, you are receiving this handbook that holds information regarding anything and everything that is Marching Bruin Band. Our handbook is also available on our website if you need to access it in the future.

PLEASE NOTE: While the spread of COVID-19 has greatly impacted 2020 Fall extracurricular activities, the Bruin Band Leadership, Boosters and Staff are extremely passionate about making our 2021 marching season the most engaging and inspiring to date. With the proper mitigation plans in place, we are excited to have every student, parent and staff member take part in the activity safely as well. We are planning to hold rehearsals, play at football games and travel to competitions as normally as possible. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

All forms are now also completely online! Please see below for a preliminary checklist of what to do and how to stay in contact with the Bruin Band program.

To Do:

1. Please fill out the Parent/Guardian/Student Contract and Personal Information Forms ([link](#) to digital form)
2. Please submit your payment ([link](#) to website - if you already completed Step 1 then you should be all set!)
3. Please fill out the Uniform Contract Agreement ([link](#) to digital form)
4. Please fill out the Parent Volunteer Form ([link](#) to digital form)
5. Check out our [website](#) and [Youtube](#) channel, and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#),
6. Please submit these items prior to the first day of Band Camp:
 - Student/ Parent Contract/Clothing Order Form with Payment
 - Parent Volunteer Form
 - Uniform Contract Agreement

STAY IN TOUCH



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FOREST PARK HIGH SCHOOL BRUIN BANDS

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Dear Marching Band Parents,

We are so excited for the beginning of a new season and thankful your student is part of the Marching Bruin Band! Thank you for your commitment to this award winning program. We wanted to share with you some “insider information” about band camp, which will take place on August 2 - 13.

The first couple of days of band camp will be spent teaching new marchers the fundamentals of marching. They will be joined by the full band and will begin to put the music they have been practicing with steps of the drill to create a marching show. The practice sessions during camp are long and demanding but so rewarding when students see what they can accomplish together with hard work and attention to detail. They will also make some of the best friends of their high school career!

There is no getting around the fact that band camp is exhausting, but **here are a few tips from seasoned parents to help new members stay strong and energized:**

1. **Prepare for heat.** Slather on the sunscreen, wear a hat and sunglasses, and drink plenty of water throughout the camp. Make sure you bring your water jug to the practice lot. Band parents will have Igloo jugs to refill water jugs.
2. **Wear sturdy shoes** that are already broken in. NO brand new shoes, please!
3. **Section leaders will encourage your student to dress for “Spirit Days”** during the second week of Band Camp. Please urge participation not only because it is crazy fun, but it also helps a section to bond together for the season.
4. **Encourage your student to eat a healthy breakfast and pack a nutritious lunch.** Students burn a lot of calories at Band Camp and need a nutritious breakfast and lunch to make it through the long days. Dinner break is a fun social time so encourage your child to join in when upper-class students invite them to sit together.
5. **Rest.** Encourage early bed time during camp.
6. **Encourage a little exercise over the summer.** They will enjoy camp much more by starting to exercise a few weeks before camp starts. Go for a long walk or hike, stretch, and drink water. Encourage them to get their bodies ready for the workouts that band camp will require.
7. **Rehearsal starts at the posted time.** A student who shows up at the posted time doesn’t have time to put away their things, get their instrument, and get to the practice location before rehearsal begins. Most students arrive at least 15 minutes before the posted time to be ready to rehearse at the posted time.

MUSIC TIME = EARLY IS ON TIME, ON TIME IS LATE

8. There is one more piece to the puzzle . . . **YOU!** We would love to see you during Band Camp! We ask for volunteers during Band Camp to help keep water jugs filled, snacks stocked, and be a helping hand to the staff when they need it. It is a great opportunity to meet the wonderful teenagers in the Marching Bruin Band and the other parent volunteers. Please consider filling out our [Volunteer Form!](#)

We hope you will be able to join us this August!

2021 MARCHING BRUIN BAND LEADERSHIP

One of the greatest aspects of the Marching Bruin Band program is our dedicated student leadership. Selected through a competitive interview process, our hardworking student leaders assist in the instruction of all things marching and music. Please take a moment to get to know your 2021 Marching Bruin Band Leadership team and the different roles of the MBB!

Drum Majors

Justin Couch

Jay Ferguson

Officers

Operations Officer - **Bailey Crawford**

Captains

Woodwind - **Benjamin Dries**

Brass - **Joseph Zick**

Drumline - **Layla Aure & Reagan Wilson**

Pit - **Niya Shorts**

Color Guard - **Dynasty Wood**

Section Leaders

Flute + Clarinet - **Gracie Dubinok and Conchita Ibarra**

Saxophone - **Ved Vyas**

Trumpets - **Joshua Blanchard**

Baritone/Tuba - **Bryan Conatser**

Dues & Expenses

Marching Band & Color Guard

2021 - 2022 Dues - \$265

July 30 - Minimum deposit of \$100 is due by Friday, July 30th

August 13 - Balance of dues of \$165 (with shoes included) is due by the last day of band camp, Friday, August 13th

August 13 - All clothing purchases are due by the last day of band camp, Friday, August 13th

Full Payment may be made at any time if preferred.

COVID-19 Payment Plan

The Bruin Band Boosters are extending the option of creating an individualized payment plan, especially in light of the financially stressful times of this pandemic. All dues and expenses collected will be held in earnest and in the event that the marching season is altered or cancelled, we will be distributing refunds. If dues payments are an issue, please contact Bruin Band Booster Treasurer Jax Couch at FPHSBBTreasurer@gmail.com as soon as possible to discuss an individualized payment plan. Fulfillment of your band dues commitment is an integral part of the BBB's budget planning process and finding a mutually acceptable means benefits all parties concerned.

Forms of Payment

Check - Checks should be made out to Bruin Band Boosters. Please mail to or drop off payment at **Forest High School, 15721 Forest Park Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22193**

Venmo - Dues and expenses can also now be paid completely online via mobile using Venmo. Once you set up your free account, you can pay dues or even make a Donation to the Bruin Band! Our Venmo information is **@ForestParkHS-BruinBands**

PayPal - Dues and expenses can also be paid completely online via PayPal! Please click on this [link](#), which will take you to our official website bruinband.net. Once you access the site, you can select a payment option, create a free account and pay your dues. This payment will go directly to the Bruin Band Boosters and the email connected to the account is fphsbbdirector@gmail.com.

Other Possible Fees for Marching Band Students

(These anticipated expenses are provided for family budget planning purposes only. Payment instructions will follow at a later time.)

\$50 - \$65 for replacement marching shoes (sometimes shoes are worn out, broken, or lost during the season)

\$3 - \$5 for replacement socks or gloves

\$130 - \$150 for color guard items such as shoes, tights, earrings, make-up and warm-up suit (cost varies depending on which items particular individuals need)

Meals - Due to the distance of some competitions we attend, it is necessary for students to eat while we are gone. MBB members typically have the option of purchasing food at competitions or bringing a meal from home as well.

WHAT TO KNOW FOR BAND CAMP

Band camp occurs in August each year. It is essential to the success of our program for the entire season. It is a time for students to get to know each other, as well as the time when we learn the entire marching band show; including music, drill, and choreography.

Time

Students should be **on the field**, ready to begin rehearsal at scheduled times. Please arrive 15 minutes **BEFORE** so you have time to prepare for the rehearsal.

Meals

Students should pack a dinner for our meal break. Meals will not be provided by the Marching Bruin Band and students are not allowed to leave the school grounds during camp.

Attire

Students should wear shorts, a light colored t-shirt, socks, and sneakers. Jeans, flip flops, and sandals will not be allowed during rehearsals. Students should also bring a spare pair of socks in case of rain. Students who are dressed inappropriately will be asked to find a change of clothes. If no change is available, the student will be sent home to change.

MBB INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Shawn W. Davern
Director of Bands

Nicholas Ro
Battery Coordinator

Christina Robinson
Color Guard Director

What to Bring for Band Camp

- Water Bottle** (*Reusable, with your name on it.*)
- Sunscreen** (*Usually provided by band boosters, but have some just in case.*)
- Deodorant** (*Re-apply when necessary. Stick deodorant only, **no aerosols!***)
- Towel** (*A small hand towel will work, used for sweat/protecting hands while doing aerobics*)
- Lip Balm** (*Recommended with SPF protection*)
- Instrument w/ all accessories** (*Always have a spare reed or valve oil!*)
- Binder for Music/Handouts with clear plastic pages**
- Pencils**
- ALL MUSIC AND DRILL**

PRE-SEASON BAND CAMP SCHEDULE

BAND CAMP 2021

August 2 - 6
1:00 - 8:00 PM

August 9 - 13
1:00 - 8:00 PM

August 17 & 19
5:00 - 8:00 PM

Monday, August 2nd - Parent Info Meeting

Please stay after the first rehearsal of the Marching Bruin band season for an informational parents meeting with the Bruin Band Boosters and Mr. Davern

Saturday, August 14 - Preview Performance & Breakfast

Join us for our Preview Breakfast! The students will report at 9 AM and give their first performance of our 2021 production, STEVIE 70 at 11 AM. Breakfast food and drinks will be provided by the Bruin Band Boosters.

Thursday, August 19 - Freshman Orientation Performance

The MBB (Marching Bruin Band) will perform for the freshman orientation event at Forest Park in the morning. Details TBA.

Saturday, August 21 - Tag Day

Tag Day is a requirement of all MBB members. Members go out into the community to request donations for the upcoming season.

SEASON REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

While school is in session, we will use the following rehearsal schedule*. The first day of school is Monday, August 25th.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Sectionals	Evening	Evening	Evening	Evening
3:00 - 4:00 PM	5:00 - 8:00 PM	5:00 - 8:00 PM	5:00 - 8:00 PM	***5:00 - 7:00 PM

*** Friday rehearsal will only take place on a Friday night before competition day that there is no football game, or unless noted otherwise on the calendar.

Percussion/Color Guard Expectations

Drumline, Front Ensemble, and Color Guard will have additional rehearsals scheduled by respective staff members. Rehearsals are required for participation in these groups.

**Extra rehearsals may be scheduled if necessary. The most up to date schedule can be found on www.bruinband.net*

2021 MARCHING SEASON

(Also available at www.bruinband.net)

August 21, 2021 - **TAG DAY**

August 27, 2021 - **HOME vs. MVHS**

September 2, 2021 - **HOME vs. WGHS**

September 10, 2021 - **AWAY vs Patriot @ Patriot HS**

September 18, 2021 - **WOODBRIIDGE VIKING INVITATIONAL @ Woodbridge HS**

September 25, 2021 - **COLGAN CLASSIC @ Colgan HS**

October 1, 2021 - **HOME vs. Freedom HS**

October 8, 2021 - **HOME vs. WBHS**

October 9, 2021 - **SHENANDOAH VALLEY MARCHING INVITATIONAL @ Harrisonburg HS**

October 15, 2021 - **HOME vs. Garfield (8th Grade Night)**

October 30, 2021 - **VBODA MARCHING ASSESSMENT**

Friday Football Game Day Schedule

Home Game Schedule - Students will remain at school for rehearsal, followed by a homework/social break and dinner. Students will change into their uniforms at approximately 5:30 pm to prepare for pregame activities. If you would like to see the band perform at pregame, plan to arrive by 6:30 pm to find a seat in the stadium. The boosters arrange a variety of meals ordered in for the students. Typically we ask for donations to cover the cost of providing a Chick-fil-a dinner and a 3rd Quarter snack for our students. When we host our end of the season potluck, we kindly ask for help providing food for 150 students, staff, and volunteers.

Away Game Schedule - Students should leave school at dismissal and go home. They will need to eat dinner before returning at approximately 5:00 pm to change into their uniform and travel to the game. Students return to Forest Park at the conclusion of the game, usually around 10:00 pm.

Note - Times/dates may be adjusted to compensate for weather and other activities on campus. Mr. Davern will set the arrival time based on where the game is located.

Food Allergies - We will do our best to accommodate food allergies, but please understand we may not be able to accommodate every allergy at every meal. All food provided is open to all students, so if a student isn't able to eat the main meal item they may still choose any of the other items we offer for dinner that evening. **Please inform the Bruin Band Boosters if you have any dietary restrictions!**

Saturday Marching Band Competitions Day

The Marching Bruin Band will rehearse at Forest Park before boarding the bus to travel to the competition. The students are given an opportunity to eat a meal they have brought from home after rehearsal and before getting dressed into their uniform. The exact schedule depends on travel time to the event and when the band is scheduled to perform at the competition. The schedule for each competition day will be distributed to students a few days before the competition by Mr. Davern. It will also be posted on our website, sent out by email, and posted on our Facebook group.

Parent help is needed for every competition in several areas! Please fill out our [Volunteer Form](#) or contact our Volunteer Coordinator Nanette Reames to become more involved - FPHSBBVolunteers@gmail.com

How should I plan for a Marching Band Competition Day?

Students should expect a marching band competition to be an all-day commitment which will last until late in the evening. Parents who want to attend the competition do not need to follow the student's schedule. They should plan to arrive at the competition site at least an hour before the band is scheduled to perform in order to ensure adequate time to find parking, walk to the stadium, pay admission (typically \$10-\$15 for adults), and find their seats before the band competes. Spectators are asked not to enter the stadium during a band performance. If you arrive while a band is performing, you should wait until a break before finding your seat. At many competitions there will be ushers who will indicate when to wait, and when you may enter the stands. We strongly recommend that parents plan their time at the competition so they can observe as many bands as possible to support all the programs.

What is the typical travel time?

Over 100 Marching Bruin students, staff, and parent volunteers are involved when we participate in a marching band competition. Travel time varies based on competition location. After arrival at the competition venue, it typically takes about 1 ½ hours to set up, assemble instruments, and warm up. Warm-up activities occur away from the stadium to minimize interference with the bands that are performing at the same time. A typical marching band competition involves more than eight bands. The events are typically spread out over a large site (most competition sites are on football fields.)

How will my student be transported?

Students always travel to and from marching band competitions as a group via school bus. Exceptions to this rule are only granted with written parental permission by Mr. Davern. Preparation and transportation to these events is already hectic and dealing with even one late or lost student could compromise the event for the rest of the band. On occasion, there are last minute changes which are discussed during the ride to the show. The order or scheduled performance times are subject to change. This makes it essential for the students to travel and arrive at the event together.

How will I find my student after their performance?

Students are required to leave their cell phones on the bus during a competition, so they will not be able to make or receive calls or texts from you. The staff values the full attention of the students before competitions so parent involvement during warm-up and passage to the field should be avoided. Only designated parent volunteers will be allowed to interact and enter with the band. After the performance they will return to the buses to put away their instruments before returning to the stadium to watch the remaining bands perform and wait for the awards ceremony. In certain situations, with permission from Mr. Davern, members may "dress down" into their "street clothes."

How will I find a place to sit at Marching Band Competition Days?

Finding other Forest Park parents is much easier than finding your own student. Parents try to sit together, and you can usually find them by looking for the Marching Bruin Band shirts in the crowd. At most competitions, parents and spectators sit on the “Home” side of the stadium. Performers (our students) are often required to sit as a group while watching performances and occasionally they must sit on the “Away” side of the stadium because they perform later in the competition.

What will my students eat at Marching Band Competition Days?

Students are given an opportunity to eat a meal before leaving for a competition but sometimes the band is gone for a long period of time. If this occurs, food is also typically available for purchase at every competition arranged by the hosting venue. Some parents choose to provide money for his/her student for snack purchases. Students are responsible for following the uniform guidelines when purchasing and eating food in uniform. All students must receive permission from Mr. Davern before they can eat in uniform or leave the stands to purchase a snack.

What if there is inclement weather?

Inclement weather does not automatically cancel a marching band competition. In most cases, the competition will continue even if it is raining. We strongly recommend you bring additional clothing for cold and wet conditions. Competitions often extend into the evening, and it can get very cold and wet.

What should I bring with me?

- Money – for admission to the competition and for purchasing food and beverages. Admission is typically \$10-15 for adults, sometimes less for children. (Performers AND Parent volunteers do not pay)
- Warm Clothes
- Wet weather gear
- Warm blanket
- Stadium seat or something to sit on

What should I send with my student?

- Water Jug
- Sunscreen
- A small bag for belongings, if needed

What does a typical competition schedule look like?

The schedule at a given competition usually starts with the smallest class (1A) and moves up to toward the largest class (5A). After the final band performs there is a break for score calculation. During this time the host band often performs an exhibition (host bands are not allowed to compete). Then the awards ceremony begins. Our band is typically classified as AAA which means that we will tend to compete later in the schedule. We will usually know our approximate performance time in advance, but schedules can and do change during the competition. Planning to arrive “just in time” to hear our band can be very risky. Awards ceremonies can go late into the evening, typically ending around 9:00 PM.

How will my student get home?

After the awards ceremony, students return to the buses area to load up for their return trip home. Any remaining items (instruments, equipment, etc.) need to be loaded onto the truck before we leave. Once the buses and truck return to Forest Park High School, a number of items must be unloaded and put away by students and parent volunteers.

ABOUT THE MARCHING BRUIN BAND

The Marching Bruin Band is an extension of the band curriculum at Forest Park High School. This ensemble grants students an opportunity to experience the marching arts and perform many different exciting mediums of music. Our marching band consists of members from the band, orchestra, and choir, and offers non-musicians the opportunity to participate through our color guard. All members of our ensemble add to our overall performance and every member is essential to the success of the production. *Members of the Marching Bruin Band receive ½ credit on their transcript.*

MARCHING BRUIN BAND ATTENDANCE & EXPECTATIONS

Attendance & Absences

When joining the Marching Bruin Band, you are making a commitment to join a group of students and staff that work hard everyday for success. Therefore, any absence affects every member of the ensemble, no matter what section the student is in. Attendance for all rehearsals, competitions, football games and fundraisers is **MANDATORY**, unless arrangements have been made prior between a parent/guardian and Mr. Davern. If a student misses a practice, under any circumstance, they **MUST** notify their respective Captain. The student must then provide a note from a parent or guardian at the next rehearsal. Failure to comply with this attendance policy may result in dismissal from the ensemble. Jobs, babysitting, etc. are not appropriate excuses for missing rehearsal. The marching calendar is available at bruinband.net so please plan ahead of time to avoid such conflicts.

Sectionals & After School Help

After school help should be scheduled with staff or leadership members directly. **Mondays from 3:00 - 4:00 PM** is also the Marching Bruin Band's designated Sectional time, when leadership members work with their sections on music and marching. Holding these sectionals is pivotal to the success of the overall marching season!

Clubs and Activities

MBB members are often very active in the school through other clubs and activities. While we celebrate and support our well-rounded students, these clubs and activities cannot interfere with rehearsal attendance. It is your responsibility to receive information from your club sponsor and be on time to rehearsal.

Communication

More often than not, attendance issues can be solved through communication between Mr. Davern, the student, the parent, or the student's teacher. Be responsible and plan your schedule ahead of time to avoid unexcused absences.

Fundraising

The Marching Bruin Band has two major fundraisers each year, one per semester. The first is **Tag Day**, which is a requirement of all MBB members and takes place in late August. Tag Day is when members of the MBB go out into the community to request donations for the upcoming season. This is a very successful fundraiser for us, but it requires 100% participation. The second fundraiser is the **Forest Park Indoor Classic**, a Winterguard and Drumline competition held in the spring. Participation is required of all MBB members!

MARCHING BRUIN BAND GRADING

Rehearsal Grade (40%)

Attendance will be taken daily by the Executive Officer. Each rehearsal will count towards the student's Rehearsal Grade. Students will receive a grade of "0" for the rehearsal if any of the following apply:

- Not having materials - coordinate sheets, music, or instrument
- Inappropriate behavior
- Unexcused absence from rehearsal

Performance Grade (60%)

Attendance will be taken at each event. Students will receive a grade of "0" for the performance if any of the following apply:

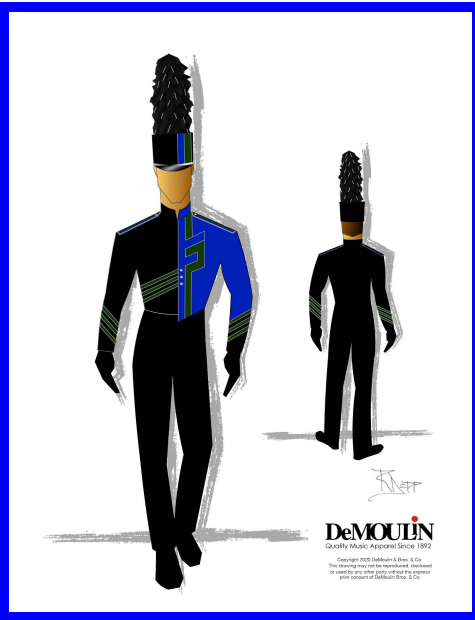
- Inappropriate behavior
- Absence from the event*

**If a student must miss a performance due to an excused absence (illness, death in the family, pre-arranged absence with Mr. Davern), their grade will only be excused on a case by case basis per the director.*

General Performance Expectations

1. **All Marching Bruin Band members** are to uphold the level of respect, responsibility and excellence that is expected of a Forest Park High School student, whether they are in uniform or not.
2. **Only band members are allowed to sit with the band.** This rule will be enforced by the drum majors, captains, and section leaders.
3. **No band member is to leave the stands** (whether at a football game or competition) unless given specific permission from the director.
4. **No gum** during rehearsals or performances.
5. **The full uniform** consists of a band shirt, shorts, shako, gloves, etc. All must be worn at all times unless instructed by the director.
6. There is absolutely **NO cell phone use** prior to/during a performance.
7. There is **NO "PDA"** while in uniform, on the bus, in the band room, etc.

2021- 2022 MBB Uniform Rules By Mrs. Scarlett Abila



Our NEW uniform is an all-black design, which will allow US more freedom in our show performance and drill. *EXCITING!*

Also, it will allow the MBB more freedom and comfort while wearing the uniform!

- White MB show shirts will still be issued and your student **MUST** wear their shirt to receive their uniform before each performance.

- Black shorts (no cargo style) are required. (Logos should not be a concern).

- Black socks are required. ****Since black pants give us more freedom to perform “bends, kneels, slant...etc” on the field, it is IMPERATIVE that socks be long and come no lower than mid-calf!**

- Black marching band shoes will be worn and your child will be sized and have their shoes ordered for them within the first few days of Band Camp. The price for shoes will be listed in your Packet.

- Hair and makeup rules **WILL NOT** change!

- Jewelry and nail polish rules **WILL NOT** change!

FOOD WHILE IN UNIFORM:

An all-black uniform gives us more freedom than we have ever had before. HOWEVER, new uniforms are a HUGE investment! Uniforms are assigned, year-by-year, to an individual student. Having worked with students in the Band for “many” years now, I believe we can easily relax our rules and allow (and consume) anything sold in concessions.

The NEW RULE will be as follows:

- The student and parent will sign a yearly uniform contract acknowledging that they, student/parent, are responsible for all uniform cleaning costs beyond what is deemed by Band Director and Uniform Mom as “normal” incidental / maintenance.
- IF students begin to abuse these food privileges, we will go back to our long-standing rules of **NO** colored sodas / drinks and **NO** condiments.
- Additionally, these are the “uniform rules”; the Band Director has final authority on when and where we visit concessions and on what will be allowed into the stands.

Thank you for making our new uniforms look great!



Marching Bruin Band Uniform Policies

Your marcher will be issued a marching band uniform during the uniform fitting day later this summer or during band camp. Attached is a Uniform Contract Agreement, please complete this form and return it as soon as possible.

Your student will not be able to participate in marching band unless we have a completed and signed contract agreement by BOTH student and a parent/guardian.

Marching Band Uniform Regulations

1. Students must be in full uniform when in public and during the entire game. Students may not remove their jacket while sitting in the bleachers unless given permission by Mr. Davern.
2. The hem of the bibs must never be dragged on the ground. Loosening the buckles to lower the bibs will cause damage to the hem. If a bib is returned with significant hem damage, you will be charged for a new replacement bib.
3. All hair must be secure and tucked under the hat with no pieces hanging out. COLORED hair must be able to be covered with the hat/beret. Make-up is not allowed on the face or neck to avoid transferring any stains to the uniform. No nail polish. No jewelry of any kind.
4. Marchers must wear their white season shirt, black shorts, and black knee socks under their marching uniform and their black marching shoes.
5. Accidents will happen and students will misplace things; marching band gloves can be purchased for \$5 per pair.
6. In order to be eligible to perform, students will have to be dressed in a manner that complies with uniform code.
7. Students must have their instrument and music ready at all times, must stay in the stands during the game, and stay until the end of the game.
8. Visitors are not permitted in the band area.
9. Marchers (including color guard) may drink clear liquids only, no dark sodas, teas, coffee or chocolate, no sticky icy drinks. Marchers may eat food but without condiments like ketchup and mustard. Please refrain from cheesy items, including chips and definitely NO chocolate. Marchers who soil their uniforms from consuming food/drink will be charged the dry cleaning fees of \$25 to ensure their uniform is ready for the next event.



Marching Bruin Band Uniform Student/Parent Contract

I, _____ (student's name), agree to the following: If I damage or lose any piece(s) of the marching band or color guard uniform assigned to me, I, along with my parent/guardian, am responsible for the replacement cost, repair, and/or cleaning of the item(s). I will not permanently alter any part of my marching band or color guard uniform.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Grade: _____

Section/ Instrument: _____

I, the parent/guardian of the above named student, understand the Uniform Contract as written above. I understand and agree my student is responsible for the uniform assigned to them for the marching band season. I acknowledge that fees may be accrued if my student damages the uniform.

Parent/Guardian(s) Name: _____

Parent/Guardian(s) Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian(s) Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian(s) Email Address: _____

Please Note - This form will be retained by the uniform coordinator so they may contact you if any issues arise with uniforms during the season.

Parent/Guardian/Student Contract

2020 FOREST PARK HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BRUIN BAND

The FPHS Bruin Band Boosters thank you in advance for your participation in what we know will be a great experience for your student. It is imperative that we have the manpower and support to make our marching band goals become reality through the planned fundraising activities. We also need parental/guardian support at games, competitions and band camp to assist in the task of putting a great show on the field. THANK YOU for allowing your student to share this great experience!

The marching band fee for Fall 2021 is \$265. This fee does not include extra program T-shirts (beyond the two T-shirts the student receives). The fee also does not include fees for shoes, or the \$25.00 stick and mallet fee for percussionists. Shoes for instrumental marchers, called “Dinkles”, are \$30.00. Shoes for the color guard are \$35.00. This payment, and sizing information, is due with the initial payment. **A minimum payment of \$100 is due by July 30th, 2021.** The balance of the fee, including payment for any additional program T-shirts, is due at the last day of band camp, August 13, 2021. Payment may be made by check, Venmo (**ForestParkHS-BruinBands**) or PayPal.

Student Agreement

I understand the commitment that I make to the Forest Park Marching Band. I understand that if I choose not to follow rules and participate in 100% of activities that my grade may be affected and my participation could be limited for the remainder of the season. **I also commit to participating in Tag Day and the Forest Park Indoor Classic.**

I have read the uniform rules and guidelines that go along with participating in the Forest Park High School Marching Bruin Band and agree with the stipulations placed upon me pertaining to the use of an issued uniform.

I understand and acknowledge that the PWCS Code of Behavior shall be adhered to at all times during all activities and that my failure to comply with the Code of Behavior may result in my being returned home at the family’s expense and/or other disciplinary measures as appropriate. Further, I agree that my family will be liable for any and all damages or additional charges that may be incurred as a result of my behavior.

Parent/Guardian(s) Agreement

My student and I both have read and understand the rules and guidelines stated in this handbook. I understand that my student’s participation fees are due at the start of Marching Band Camp.

As the parent/guardian of a student in the Forest Park Marching Band, I realize the importance of assisting in my student’s experience with the Marching Band. I will help my student in his/her commitment to the band by having them to and from rehearsals and performances on time, to help them keep their academic requirements in focus, and making a personal commitment to participate in **ONE** event as a demonstration of my support to the Marching Bruin Band.

I hereby give permission for my student to attend and participate in all activities associated with the FPHS Bruin Band program, including **away football games** and **competitions**. I understand that my student will be expected to follow all Prince William County Rules and Regulations while on each trip.

STUDENT NAME _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ Date _____

(Please complete information section on the next page)

Personal Information and Clothing Form (Continued)

Student's T-shirt Size: _____

Shoe Size: *(New Marchers/Returning members needing new shoes only.)* _____
(\$30.00 for instrumental marchers/\$35.00 for color guard)

Instrument: _____

Grade: (circle one) Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Parent/Guardian #1 Name: _____

Parent/Guardian #1 Cell Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Email #1: _____

Parent/Guardian #2 Name: _____

Parent/Guardian #2 Cell Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Email #2: _____

Student's Cell Phone: _____

Student's Email: _____

Note: Information regarding marching band activities is primarily distributed by email or via phone app. Phone numbers are required for emergency notifications only. The Forest Park High School Bruin Band Boosters will not provide your email address(s) or other personal information on this form to any other individuals or organizations.

Want to order additional 2020 Band T-shirts?

Parents – you can pre-order your own 2020 FPHS Bruin Band t-shirt; this is your chance to guarantee sizes. Delivery will be with the students' shirts at the end of band camp. Shirts are \$15.00 each. Payment is due with this order form. Please make checks out to "Forest Park Band Boosters".

Size	S	M	L	XL	2XL*	3XL*
Quantity						

*there is an additional \$5 cost for 2XL and 3XL items

Total Quantity: _____

Total Amount: \$ _____