


# Mira Costa Music - Bands

## 2009-2010 Information Packet

Parents: Please share these handouts with your student!

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## Welcome

Greetings to all students and parents,

*Whether you are a new student or a returning veteran of the Mira Costa Bands program, we are excited and thrilled to have you joining us for the 2009-2010 school year! As the instrumental music teacher for the bands at Mira Costa, I would like to encourage both parents and students to enjoy your time with us to the fullest. From rehearsals to performances, every moment you spend with us is precious. As a parent, your presence with us as an audience member is ever so important, as is your assistance along the way to the performance. As a student, integrally involved in the day to day making of music, the musical process is an amazing journey that will only be as fulfilling as the investment you make into it. I am greatly looking forward to working with you all this next year as students, musicians, parents, and appreciators of the arts.*

*With the addition of many new students to the program this fall, our department will be larger than ever. Many of the Booster parents and I have collaboratively put together this packet to help you prepare for both the summer and the fall with the music program at Mira Costa. Please make sure to mark your calendars for the following important date. **On June 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM there will be an informational gathering for all the parents with students in or entering the Mira Costa Bands in the Mira Costa Drama Room.** This session is designed to introduce you to each other and the exciting new things coming to the Mira Costa Bands next year, and make the information and forms in this packet as painless a process as possible. Refreshments will be served and we should be finished just as many of our students are finishing with the first day of Spring Training Camp rehearsal. Please bring this packet with you along with the checks requested in the packet. We look forward to the opportunity to help you all make the most of your time with the music program at Mira Costa High School. Thank you and I hope to see you all then!*

Sincerely,

*Joel Carlson*

Instrumental Music Teacher  
Mira Costa High School

*Welcome to the Mira Costa Band program for 2009-2010. On behalf of the officers of the Mira Costa Band Boosters, we want to welcome you to our very high quality program. Led by Joel Carlson, the program has a place for every student, and there are so many opportunities for your high school student to excel, gain friends and learn to lead others. The many opportunities for student growth arise through the combined efforts of the students, the Manhattan Beach Unified School District trustees, the Mira Costa staff, the Mira Costa PTSA, our Band Booster organization (the parents), and our donors. Each parent that participates as a volunteer and provides his talents makes the program that much better. It is a team effort, and each team member (student & parent) has a place, just like each instrument in a band has a wonderful function and adds balance and harmony. It's really quite wonderful when it all comes together for the benefit of your Mira Costa student. Your student will never forget the band experience.*

*Jim Van Zanten*

2009-2010 Band Booster President

## Program Vision & Overview

The **Grammy Award winning Music Program** at Mira Costa High School is rooted in a tradition of, and a commitment to **comprehensive music education through performance**.

With the intent of providing **each student performer** with experiences that will result in their finding wonder and excitement in the creative endeavor, all of the ensembles at Mira Costa **are focused on the development of creative and collaborative performance**.

In the pursuit of student creativity, the **highest quality literature is selected** to encourage the greatest individual musical growth, depth of experience and **development of a life-long appreciation for music and the arts**.

### Wind and Percussion Ensembles

#### **Concert Band • Symphonic Band • Wind Ensemble**

The bands at Mira Costa High School provide **opportunities for musicians at many stages of musical development**. From the educational level repertoire of the Concert Band, to the professional-level repertoire of the Wind Ensemble, the **students pursue a high degree of musical integrity** when approaching any piece of music.

In the process of recreating art through performance, ensemble members learn about the composers and their compositional purpose, seeking the original intent of the music. The focus across all the bands is the student's individual musical growth and the growth of the individual's appreciation of music. Every member is a vital component of the ensemble and is important to both the process as well as the product.

### Marching Ensembles

#### **Marching Band & Colorguard • Winterguard**

The marching ensembles at Mira Costa **take the musicianship acquired in the concert ensembles out onto the field and the court, offering PE credit to their members**. For students new to the school, participation in the Marching Band offers a head start in musical and social growth, learning their way around campus, meeting some great students (other freshmen and upper classmen), getting a great tan (remember the hat and sunscreen) and having a great time.

Besides performing at home football games and basketball games, the Marching Ensembles also go to competitions at local high schools and perform at various other local events. **In order to participate in a Marching Ensemble, students must be concurrently enrolled in one of the concert ensembles or Colorguard**.

### Jazz Ensembles

#### **Jazz Band**

Students at Mira Costa also have the opportunity to perform music in the distinctly American idiom of Jazz. The Jazz Band meets during the day, and performances occur at school events, festivals, concerts and other community events. Jazz Combos are also formed out of students in the Jazz Band for gigs, concerts, and other performances.

### Chamber Ensembles

#### **Percussion Studio**

The Percussion Studio picks up after Marching Band is over in the fall. Whole group sessions work on techniques from the big three percussion instruments: Snare, Marimba, Timpani. Other topics on Cymbals and Accessories are also included. Each session adds new elements and topics for each instrument such as: new rudiments, rolls, mallet/stick choice, four mallet technique, timpani grip and stroke, single stroke rolls, sticking choices, etc.

Smaller groups break off after whole group to work on percussion ensemble works of varying difficulty and style: Classic, Contemporary, Theatrical, Marching Percussion, etc. with the objective of putting together a staged concert that covers a broad range of percussion music. The annual Percussion Studio Concert runs the gambit of performance styles from those seen in Stomp! And Blast! to the contemporary percussion ensemble pieces played on the stages of university music departments.

### A Note on the UC/CSU Arts Requirement

All students hoping to attend either the **CSU or UC system** of colleges (as well as many private colleges) must meet what is known as the **"F" requirement by completing one year of Visual or Performing Arts credit**. All of the wind and percussion concert ensembles as well as the jazz band at Mira Costa meet this requirement.

## Preliminary Calendar 2009-2010 (Revised June 14, 2009)

Date	Event	School Events
Aug 31st	Sneak Preview Night (6:00PM)	
Sept 2nd	First Day of School	
Sept 7th	Labor Day (No School)	
Sept 10th	Seating Auditions Start	Sept 12 ACT
Sept 17th	Home Game v. Esperanza (7:00PM) Thursday	
Sept 24th	Back to School Night Green and Gold Day Rehearsal(3:30-5:00)	
Sept 25th	Home Game v. Narbonne: Green & Gold Day (7:00PM)	
Sept 28th	Local Holiday (No School)	
Oct 3rd	Hometown Fair Parade (Morning, Call Time TBA)	
Oct 3rd	El Camino Field Tournament (afternoon-evening)	
Oct 12 <sup>th</sup>	Staff Development Day (No School)	Oct 10 SAT/PLAN
Oct 16th	Home Game v. West - Homecoming (7:00PM)	
Oct 17th	Royal Field Tournament (afternoon-evening)	Oct 17 - PSAT
Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Fall Concert (7:00PM) (Wind Ensemble only)	
Oct 23rd	Home Game v. Palos Verdes – Senior Recognition (7:00 PM)	Oct 24 - ACT
Oct 30 <sup>th</sup>	Pennekamp Halloween Parade (morning)	
Nov 7th	Chino Field Tournament (12PM-evening)	Nov 1 – Fall back
Nov 13th	Home Game v. Redondo (7:00PM)	Nov 7 - SAT
Nov 21	Moorpark Field Tournament (all day)	
Nov 23 <sup>rd</sup> -27th	Thanksgiving Break (No School)	
Nov 27th	Manhattan Village Santa Parade (Morning, Call Time TBA)	
Dec 8th	December 8 <sup>th</sup> – Winter Concert (7:00PM)	Dec 5 - SAT
Dec 21st	December 21 <sup>st</sup> – Winter Break (No School; through January 1 <sup>st</sup> )	Dec 12 - ACT
<b>WINTER/SPRING FESTIVALS POSTED: Calendar Finalized for Winter and Fall</b>		
Jan 9th	January 9 <sup>th</sup> – Disneyland Performance (all day, tentative)	
Jan 11th	January 11 <sup>th</sup> – Mid-Year Seating Auditions Start	Jan 23 - SAT
Jan 18th	January 18 <sup>th</sup> – Martin Luther King Day (No School)	
Jan 22nd	January 22 <sup>nd</sup> – All-Southern Honor Rehearsals and Concert	
Feb 2nd	February 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Graders visit 0 Period	Feb 6 - ACT
Feb 15th	February 15 <sup>th</sup> – District Recess (No School; through 19 <sup>th</sup> )	
Feb 18th	February 18 <sup>th</sup> – All-State Honor Rehearsals and Concert (through	
Mar 6th	March 6 <sup>th</sup> – Manhattan Beach Little League Parade (Morning, Call	
Mar 10th	March 10 <sup>th</sup> – March Concert (7:00PM)	Mar 13 - SAT
Mar 13th	March 13 <sup>th</sup> – Hermosa Beach St. Patrick's Day Parade (Morning, Call	Mar 14 – Spring
Mar 29th	March 29 <sup>th</sup> – Spring Break (No School; through April 2 <sup>nd</sup> )	
April 16-17,	Spring Musical	Apr 10 - ACT Apr 26 – STAR
May 7th	Percussion Studio Concert	May 1 - SAT
May 31st	Memorial Day (No School)	May 3 – AP's1st
Jun 8th	Leadership Interviews and Auditions	Jun 5 - SAT
Jun 11th	Spring Concert (7:00PM)	June 12 - ACT
Jun 12th	Year End Banquet	Jun 18 – Sr. Finals
Jun 24th	Last Day of School	

For the latest info  
 Website: [www.miracostabands.com](http://www.miracostabands.com)

## **What the School District Provides**

With school district budgets cut down to the bone, Mira Costa High School only provides for a Director (salary and benefits), the band hall for practice, a very modest budget for new music purchase and instruction, and an auditorium for performances. In the past, the MB Education Foundation, MB Athletic Foundation and Mira Costa PTSA have also been able to provide support for some special one time request items.

## **What the Mira Costa Band Boosters Provide**

First, the parents (band boosters) and donors in the community provide the funds for everything else. Secondly, the band booster parents also provide a pool of volunteers for our many activities.

- ❖ New instruments for the needs of a growing program (\$)
- ❖ Repairs and maintenance on current instruments (\$)
- ❖ Additional music purchases needed by a large program (\$)
- ❖ Section coaches to supplement instruction in a smaller class size setting (\$)
- ❖ Equipment and supplies from stands and chairs to field paint and paper (\$)
- ❖ Uniforms for the band and colorguard plus maintenance and cleaning (\$)
- ❖ Festival and competition entry fees and music copyright fees (\$)
- ❖ Transportation for competitions, gigs, etc. (\$)
- ❖ Chaperone supervision for festival, competition, and other trips (volunteers)
- ❖ Organization of uniforms prior to and after use (volunteers)
- ❖ Blocking off traffic along Peck Avenue for marching to home games (volunteers)
- ❖ Blocking off bleachers for the band use at home and away games (volunteers)
- ❖ Organizing public performances and parades (volunteers)
- ❖ Organizing specials awards and banquets, etc. (volunteers)

This is far from an exhaustive list. We are the organization that provides the assistance and the funds for an enriched experienced. We make the marching season, performances, and competitions outside the classroom possible. We help reach for the stars!

## **How the Band Boosters Operate**

The Band Boosters is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that meets monthly during the school year, usually the first Tuesday of the month in the Mira Costa Band Hall at 7:00 PM. By having a student in the program, you are automatically a member. All parents and supporters are welcome to attend to provide input into our activities.

Occasionally, officers meet more frequently, either in person or by email to conduct the business of our organization. At the Tuesday evening meetings, officers and/or others in charge of events or tasks meet to discuss needs and aims. The director of the program, Joel Carlson, attends these meetings, and provides vision and overview for the program and its ongoing development.

We have an up-to-date website from which information and forms can be easily obtained.

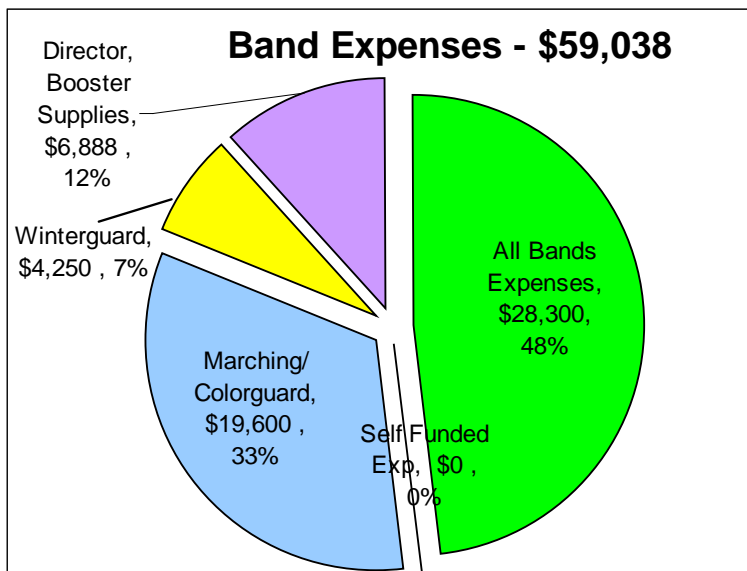
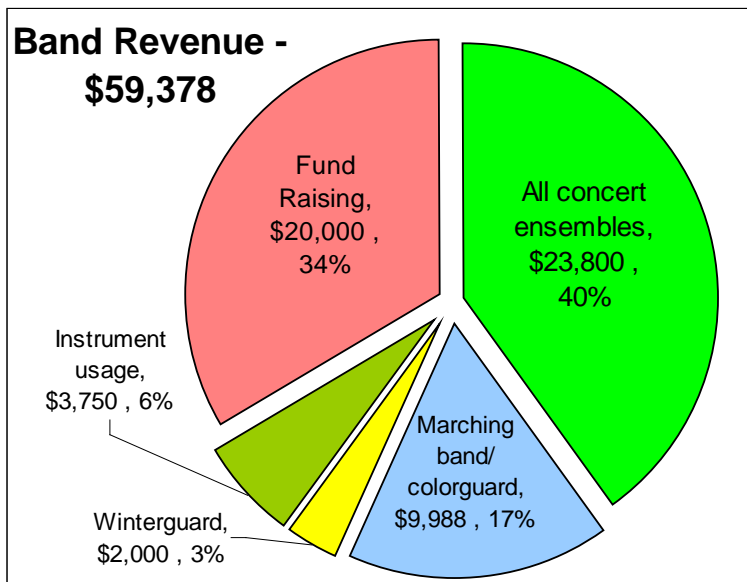
[www.miracostabands.com](http://www.miracostabands.com). Officers and activity leaders can email all members or particular committee members as they choose. Parents can easily sign up for email messages, committees and change their contact information. Minutes from the meetings are on line but you have to be a booster member to access them. You are automatically granted membership to the parents section, but must sign up.

## 'Fair Share' Monetary Contribution 2009-2010

To run our high quality music program, we are asking for a **tax deductible 'Fair Share' Contribution** for each program your student participates in. These contributions are outlined in detail in the following pages.

Even this contribution is not enough to cover the full cost of supporting music at Mira Costa, which calculates to about \$500/per student (from the booster budget alone). As such, additional fundraising efforts and contributions are necessary to cover the cost of extra activities and usages.

Thank you for your support of music at Mira Costa. The contribution of your time and money will help to ensure that our students receive the education necessary to compete in the ever more creatively and collaboratively driven workforce that they will be entering.



<b>2009-2010 MCHS Band Booster Chart of Contributions by Activity</b>
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Find the Applicable Group for Your Student	Prior Year	This Year
<b>Concert Ensembles Only (Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble and/or Jazz Band)</b>		
Fair Share Contribution—All Concert Ensembles	\$200	<b>\$200</b>
Bus Transportation* (See Note)	<u>\$150</u>	<u><b>\$0*</b></u>
Total	\$350	<b>\$200</b>
<b>Marching Band PLUS Concert Ensembles (Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble and/or Jazz Band)</b>		
Fair Share Contribution—All Concert Ensembles	Included	<b>\$200</b>
Fair Share Contribution—Add Marching Band	\$280	<b>\$150</b>
Bus Transportation*	<u>\$150</u>	<u><b>\$100</b></u>
Total	\$430	<b>\$450</b>
<b>Colorguard Fall Marching Season***</b>		
Fair Share Contribution—Colorguard	\$280	<b>\$150</b>
Bus Transportation*	<u>\$150</u>	<u><b>\$100</b></u>
Total	\$430	<b>\$250</b>
<b>Instrument Usage</b>		
Annual**	\$100	<b>\$125</b>

**\*BUS TRANSPORTATION NOTE FOR ALL PROGRAMS:** There will be a transportation fee charges for all trips beyond the marching competitions (which is covered in the \$100 fee above). The cost of additional trips will be based upon the actual cost for each trip divided by the number of participants. Students will have to provide a check for the bus transportation with their permission slip.

**MARCHING BAND and COLORGUARD NOTE FOR PARENTS:** The \$150 Fair Share fee includes all summer camp fees and the uniform reserve fee \$50/year. With the exception of personal items purchased and owned by students, there will be no additional uniform or camp fees this year.

**\*\*INSTRUMENT USAGE FEE:** This fee is for students that are using the school owned instruments for the music programs. This fee covers the annual cost of upkeep and repairs on each instrument.

**\*\*\* WINTERGUARD:** For the winter/spring season of guard, there will be a separate contribution for those that participate in this activity. The details of this will be provided to all interested students/families in October.

**Fair Share Monetary Contribution 2009-2010**  
**Use This Form if Your Student is in a Concert Ensemble**  
**(Concert, Symphonic, Wind, or Jazz)**  
**But is NOT in Marching Band**  
**(Please fill out/return to Mr. Carlson by Sept 2, 2009)**

**FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR ALL BANDS EXPENSES (EXCEPT MARCHING BAND)**  
**NOT PAID BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT INCLUDING...**

Curriculum and Instruction	Concerts and Festivals
Music purchase	Printing
Coaches and Clinicians	Music licensing
Instrument purchase & repair	CD duplication supplies
Instrument accessories	Concert expense
Books, subscriptions & reference	Festival entry fees
Office supplies	

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

- \$200 Fair Share Contribution: for any student participating in any Band Program including Concert, Symphonic, Wind Ensemble & Jazz
- \$125 Instrument Usage (Repair & Maintenance) Contribution: for all students using school instruments during the year. Mark this box if your student uses a school instrument.
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ I am enclosing additional funds to assist with additional Band Program costs
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL AMOUNT. Please make the check out to "MCHS Band Boosters". Total cannot be less than \$200.00.**

**Fair Share Monetary Contribution 2009-2010**  
**Use this Form if Your Student is in both (1) Concert Ensemble**  
**(Concert, Symphonic, Wind, or Jazz) AND (2) Marching Band**  
**(Please fill out/return to Mr. Carlson by June 24, 2009)**

**FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR ALL BANDS EXPENSES NOT PAID BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT INCLUDING...**

<b>Curriculum and Instruction</b>	<b>Concerts and Festivals</b>
Music purchase	Printing
Coaches and Clinicians	Music licensing
Instrument purchase & repair	CD duplication supplies
Instrument accessories	Concert expense
Books, subscriptions & reference	Festival entry fees
Office supplies	

**AND FOR MARCHING BAND EXPENSES...**

Music purchase and licensing	Reserve for Uniforms
Drill design	Traffic control equipment
Competition entry fees	Colorguard uniform and flags
Instruction	Research on field shows
Uniform supplies and tailoring	
Equipment transportation	

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

- \$200 Fair Share Contribution: for any student participating in any Band Program including Concert, Symphonic, Wind Ensemble & Jazz
- \$150 Fair Share Contribution: for marching band
- \$100 Transportation: Transportation to competitions
- \$125 Instrument Usage (Repair & Maintenance) Contribution: for all students using school instruments during the year. Mark this box if your student uses a school instrument.
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ I am enclosing additional funds to assist with additional Band Program Costs
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL AMOUNT. Please make the check out to "MCHS Band Boosters". Total cannot be less than \$450.00.**

**Fair Share Monetary Contribution 2009-2010**  
**Use this Form if Your Student is in Colorguard (Marching Season)**  
**(Please fill out/return to Mr. Carlson by June 24, 2009)**

**FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR **COLORGUARD MARCHING BAND** EXPENSES NOT PAID BY  
 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT INCLUDING...**

Colorguard uniforms	Colorguard flags and equipment
Music purchase and licensing	Research on field shows
Drill design	Traffic control equipment
Competition entry fees	Equipment transportation
Instruction	
Uniform supplies and tailoring	

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

- \$150     Fair Share Contribution Colorguard: for any student participating in the fall marching season of Colorguard with the MCHS marching band program
- \$100     Transportation: Transportation for fall season with the marching band (games and competitions)
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_     I am enclosing additional funds to assist with additional Band Program Costs
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_     **TOTAL AMOUNT. Please make the check out to "MCHS Band Boosters". Total cannot be less than \$250.00.**

**Note: A Separate contribution will be requested for Winterguard in October.**

## ‘Fair Share’ Volunteer Form 2009-2010

From the 4 concerts over the course of this year, to the 5 home games and 4 competitions with the marching band in the fall, the band’s performance at the Hometown Fair and the fundraising opportunities there, not to mention all of the competitions, parades and festivals in the winter and spring, there are many different opportunities for you to both see your student excel and support their needs in the program simultaneously.

**We need each family to be involved in supporting the program.** Please examine the list below and choose a first and second choice from one of the committees to participate in. As a committee member you will not be expected to attend every event overseen by your committee, but will called upon to help at various times throughout the year by the coordinating Committee Chair. If the first committee you select is full, we will shift you to your 2<sup>nd</sup> choice. Committees may meet occasionally as needed to coordinate their respective responsibilities.

**Fundraising Committee:** This year the committee will coordinate (1) direct giving (2) Hometown Fair booths (3) candy sales at football games and (4) a car wash with kids’ participation. Please note that several previous fund raising activities have been eliminated.

**Marching Band Committee:** This committee coordinates (1) band social events, (2) the pit crew during performances, (3) home games, (4) travel chaperones, (5) uniforms and alternate uniforms and is primarily busy during the Fall Semester, with a few parades in the spring.

**Communications/Publicity Committee:** These individuals coordinate (1) publications and programs, (2) media public relations, (3) membership functions, (4) photography.

**Concerts and Auxiliary Committee:** This committee coordinates all functions related to concerts, festivals, and the year end banquet as well as representing the Colorguard/Winterguard and Percussion Studio.

There will be several opportunities for you to sign up for your favorite activity within a committee, so please just indicate a general interest in one of the areas above. Your interest will be entered on the band website (intranet for booster members only) so that you may receive emails targeted to those specific committee members.

**Please sign up for a committee even if you think you may only be able to help at one event this year!**

### **‘Fair Share’ Committee Registration 2009-10** **(Please fill out this section and return to Mr. Carlson)**

Name of Student(s)	Grade	Instrument/Equipment
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Address	City/Zip	Phone
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Parent / Guardian’s Name	Email Address
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Committee Name—First Choice

Committee Name—Second Choice

## Scholarship Requests

While the cost of running a high quality Music Curriculum goes beyond what the District and Fundraising can provide, we understand that the Fair Share Contribution may be beyond the scope of what some families can give.

As such we would like to offer scholarship opportunities to families that are unable to make the full Contribution. To request a Scholarship for your Fair Share Contribution, please, do not hesitate to get in touch with Mr. Carlson or the Band Booster President, Jim Van Zanten or Band Booster VP Finance, Sylvia Shuler. You can trust that your situation will be held in confidence.

It is not the intention of the Mira Costa Bands to deny participation in curricular Music events such as concerts, festivals, and competitions to any student due to the family's inability to pay band expenses "out of pocket".

We would only ask that if you request a scholarship you help work to make the Bands a better place by volunteering beyond what is asked for through Fair Share Volunteering.

**Please submit this request no later than Friday, September 25, 2009.**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Mr. Carlson at 310-318-7337 x5238

## Using the Website

The website for the band can be found at [www.miracostabands.com](http://www.miracostabands.com). This website is used to provide information to all members of the Band Boosters. A member can be any parent or guardian of a Mira Costa band student. Parents or guardians need to click on the "Parents" tab on the website where you will be prompted to "Sign In".

Parents can put in up to two emails addresses each, assuring that you receive up to the minute information at work and at home. You may change the email addresses at any time. When you sign up for a committee or subcommittee, the leader of that committee will be able to send emails to that select group of people. Minutes of the band booster meetings are available for members. Members may also resign at any time, which senior parents frequently do in June. The same seniors can sign up for the alumni announcements which are occasional.

Frequently, emails of interest will be sent out to all band families. In addition, the calendar is updated frequently by the person in charge of a particular event. Officers of the band boosters have access to sending out information or altering calendar events as necessary. If you need a message sent out, please contact the appropriate officer for help. If you are a leader of a subcommittee, you can reach all your committee members through the parent "Log In." For more information, or if you experience a problem, contact Jim Van Zanten or Penny Ford.

Email addresses are not easily available on the website due to "spam crawlers" that harvest email addresses for spamming purposes. This rule is to protect the officers from unlimited spam.

## Special Trips in 2009-2010

# Musical Society 2010

**Who:** All students in the Mira Costa Bands: Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, & Jazz Band

**What:** An overnight spring excursion to the site of an SCSBOA Regional Festival (most likely San Diego) that will be a musically all encompassing event, featuring many of the following:

- Large Ensemble Festival Performance
- Professional Concert Event
- Clinic Opportunity with an Esteemed Conductor
- Faculty Recital Event
- Music Conference Morning
- Dinner Dance Evening featuring the Jazz Band (possible cruise)
- Visits to and Performance Opportunities at Fun and Interesting Locations
- And much much more!

**When:** A weekend at the end of May 2010. The scheduling of this event revolves around the scheduling of the SCSBOA Regional Events for 2010, the dates for which are released in December 2009.

**Where:** The city or near a major city hosting an SCSBOA Regional Festival (most likely San Diego)

**Why:** To live for a short time in a society of all musicians, on an excursion entirely focused on music!



### Further Information:

#### Cost

Once the Regional Festival dates have been posted, we will be firming up the dates and costs for participation in this trip. We would like every student in the Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band to go with us and will be able to offer limited Scholarship Opportunities as requested.

#### Eligibility

Membership in one of the four bands previously mentioned is required. Additionally, in order to be eligible for this extra-curricular trip, you will need to have your Fair Share Contribution made to the Band Boosters at the time of Registration or have met with Mr. Carlson privately to have discussed a Fair Share Scholarship.

#### Musical Society 2011

Even now we are in the planning stages of Musical Society 2011. This trip will be of a much larger scope to a destination outside of California during the week of Spring Break 2011 and will involve other wings of the Music Department. If you are interested in going on the annual France Trip, please make plans to do so in 2009 or 2012, and Musical Society 2011 will be an *amazing* experience that you will **not** want to miss!

**Emergency Card & Information for Band & Colorguard Roster**

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

Graduation Year \_\_\_\_ 2010 \_\_\_\_ 2011 \_\_\_\_ 2012 \_\_\_\_ 2013

**All members please complete the entire form.**

Primary Instrument \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if color guard \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Address** (of primary parent/guardian)

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's e-mail(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parents or guardians \_\_\_\_\_

**Secondary Address** (if there is a parent/guardian at another address)

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's e-mail(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parents or guardians \_\_\_\_\_

Medication(s) athlete uses: _____	Purpose of medication: _____
_____	
List any physical condition or injury that should be watched: _____	
_____	
Print Physician's Name _____	Print Physician's Phone Number _____

**\*\*\* PARENT CONSENT \*\*\***

I hereby give my consent for the above-named (student) to compete in sports and go with a representative of the school on any school related trip. **In case of injury, you are authorized to have him/her treated.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date                      Parent/Guardian Signature                      Name of Insurance Co.                      Policy/Group Number

**Please return this form to Mr. Carlson by June 24 (start of Spring Training Camp) OR mail it to Joel Carlson, PO Box 741, Manhattan Beach, CA 90267-0741  
If you are in a sport, you will need to complete a second emergency card.**

# THE REMAINDER OF THIS PACKET IS INTENDED TO PREPARE MARCHING BAND STUDENTS FOR THE SUMMER AND FALL

## Spring & Summer Schedule/Camp Survival Guide

### Spring Training Camp

#### Rehearsal Day (Jun. 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>)

3:00 pm	Rehearsal Hall. All students sign in and get name tags.
3:05	Introductions and Information
3:30	Campus Tour by Section ( <b>June 24<sup>th</sup> only</b> )
3:50	On the Field
5:00	Dinner Break—Students on their own!
6:00	Evening Rehearsal Block
8:00	Check in name tags. All dismissed

### Summer Rehearsals

#### Tuesday Evenings (Jun. 30<sup>th</sup>, Jul. 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>nd</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>)

Every Tuesday evening starting June 30<sup>th</sup>, everyone who is in town will get together for rehearsal from 4PM-7PM. Various social events will be planned for after rehearsals as well, so plan to stay if you can!

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#### Essential Items Needed by ALL Students for Spring Training Camp:

- Your **own** daily water (bottle or thermos; soda will only make things worse for your body and instrument)
- **Tennis shoes** (no sandals or boots at rehearsal, they drastically reduce the productivity of you own time)
- A **HAT** (the sun will heat you up more quickly without a hat and reduce your enjoyment of rehearsal)
- Comfortable clothing for marching (shorts and a t-shirt recommended)
- Sunglasses
- **Sunscreen** (we will be in the sun quite a bit, and you will need to sunscreen up a couple of times daily)
- Snacks and Dinner or money for dinner
- **Note: Instruments and Flags will not be necessary for the first day, Jun. 24<sup>th</sup>**

#### Essential Items Needed by **ALL** Instrumentalists for Fall Training Camp and Season:

- Your **own** flip folder (for music, available at music stores including Dietz Bros.)
- Your **own** lyre (you too brass players, you may need a new lyre screw also available at Dietz Bros.)

#### **Students, please take care of yourselves during camp:**

- Get plenty of rest.
- Stay hydrated in rehearsals and in off-hours.
- Avoid caffeine.
- Use sunscreen.
- Eat lunch everyday, but avoid heavy foods on hot days.
- Talk to a section leader, drum major or staff member if you have questions or problems.
- **Alert an adult immediately and step off the field if you do not feel well.**

**Work hard in rehearsals and enjoy the break times.**

## Fall Training Camp & Weekly Fall Season Schedule

*Start and end times will not change, but the schedule within the day may be altered as needed.*

### **Fall Training Camp**

#### **Standard Rehearsal Day (Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>)**

12:00 pm Rehearsal Hall. All students sign in and get name tags.  
12:05 Afternoon Rehearsal Block  
2:00 Afternoon Snack Break (bring your own snack and water!)  
2:15 Afternoon Rehearsal Block II  
4:30 Dinner (on own)  
5:30 Evening Rehearsal Block  
8:00 Check in name tags. All dismissed

#### **Additional Scheduled Events**

##### Monday (August 31<sup>st</sup>)

5:30 Dismissal for Dinner (In-n-Out Truck @ MCHS)  
6:00 Sneak Preview Night @ MCHS (Details to be provided at the beginning of Fall Training Camp  
– SAVE THE DATE!)

### **Weekly Fall Marching Season Schedule**

#### **Rehearsals**

Tuesday 3:05-6:00 On the Field Rehearsal  
Wednesday 5:30-8:30 Stadium Field Rehearsal  
Friday 3:05-4:00 On the Field Rehearsal

Please see the Main calendar for a complete Competition and Parade Schedule (changes week to week).  
Check web site ([www.miracostabands.com](http://www.miracostabands.com)) for last minute changes

**Parents: If there is an emergency and you need to contact your child during any outdoor rehearsal, please call the MCHS administrative main office, NOT the band room.**

## Summer Rehearsal Absence Form

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

In order for the ensemble to achieve excellence as a whole, every band student needs to be at every camp rehearsal during summer unless there are absolutely unavoidable conflicts. Summer Tuesday night rehearsals are designed such that a student may miss one or two during the course of the summer, but if you are in town, you need to be at rehearsal. Please do not schedule doctor's appointments during rehearsal times. With the new schedule this year, we understand that many plans may have already been made, and will be adjusting our teaching to accommodate for un-adjustable conflicts resulting from previously made summer plans. Please talk to Mr. Carlson if you have any questions.

**Please complete this form and return it to Mr. Carlson by June 24<sup>th</sup>** even if there are no expected rehearsal absences. Thanks!

### **Spring Training Camp**

Jun. 24, Wed. - 3PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Jun. 25, Thur. - 3PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

### **Summer Rehearsals**

Jun. 30, Tues. - 4PM-7PM \_\_\_\_\_

Jul. 7, Tues. - 4PM-7PM \_\_\_\_\_

Jul. 14, Tues. - 4PM-7PM \_\_\_\_\_

Jul. 21, Tues. - 4PM-7PM \_\_\_\_\_

Jul. 28, Tues. - 4PM-7PM \_\_\_\_\_

### **Fall Training Camp**

Aug. 17, Mon. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 18, Tues. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 19, Wed. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 20, Thurs. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 21, Fri. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 24, Mon. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 25, Tues. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 26, Wed. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 27, Thurs. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 28, Fri. - 12PM-8PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 31, Mon. - 12PM-5:00PM \_\_\_\_\_

Aug. 31, Mon. - 6:00PM-7:30PM Sneak Preview Night Performance

## MCHS Marching Band Uniform Information

*Students in Marching Band have two uniforms, the formal full uniform and the alternate uniform. Students must own their own alternate uniform and the specified garments worn under the full uniform. Some garments must be purchased at cost through the Band Boosters using the following Order Form.*

### **Season Shirt** – owned by student

The t-shirt based on the field show that everyone orders for wear with alternate uniform, changes each year.

### **Alternate Uniform**– owned by student

The alternate uniform is worn for away games, pep rallies, and most small band performances. Except for the season shirt, it is usually worn for several years.

- Member Jacket
- Black Dickies Work pants\*
- Season Shirt
- Black athletic shoes\*

The Member Jacket is part of the alternate uniform and must be purchased through Band Boosters. Athletic shoes should be black; a very small amount of color is acceptable. Inexpensive black canvas sneakers are acceptable.

### **Full Uniform** – owned by school

This is the formal full band uniform worn at home games, competitions and parades, and is owned by the school. Students dress at school at call-time. During uniform fittings we will fit your child for the following:

- Uniform pants (“bibbers”)
- Uniform jacket
- Hat/plume

### **Underneath Full Uniform Wear**– owned by student

In order to protect the band uniforms and to allow for students to dress in full uniform easily at school, every student must wear the following personal clothing:

- Solid black t-shirt\*
- Black or dark colored athletic shorts\*
- Black socks\*
- Black marching shoes
- Black gloves (Wind Instrumentalists)

On occasions calling for the full uniform, students will not be given their uniforms unless they are wearing a solid black t-shirt and black or dark colored athletic shorts. No exceptions.

*Scholarship money is available for families needing assistance in paying for any uniform item. We want all our members to be able to participate fully in a well regimented program. Please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Carlson regarding financial assistance.*

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\* Families provide these items for their students.

# Marching Band Apparel Order Form

**DUE JUNE 30, 2009 TO GRETCHEN RENSHAW 1138 18<sup>TH</sup> ST. MANHATTAN BEACH 90266**

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

- Checks Payable to: MCHS Band Boosters
- All sizes are adult sizes unless otherwise noted.

Item	Size (please circle)	Price	Qty.	Total
<b>Season Shirt</b> (some students like to order 2)	S M L XL XXL	\$10.00		
<b>Member Jacket</b> (same as last year's jacket)	Youth L Youth XL S M L XL XXL	\$45.00		
<b>Black Marching Shoes</b>	Size: _____	\$34.00*		
<b>Black Uniform Gloves</b> (required for all wind instrument players only – but not percussion)	S M L XL XXL	\$2.00		
<b>Total Due:</b>				

\_\_\_\_\_ We have enclosed the full amount. Check payable to "MCHS Band Boosters".

\_\_\_\_\_ Please accept my partial payment of \$ 30.  
We will pay the remaining balance when clothing is picked up.

\_\_\_\_\_ We need financial assistance. We will contact the band director, Mr. Carlson, to discuss.

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info (email or phone#) \_\_\_\_\_

\* there are some sizes of used shoes (for full uniform) that can be purchased for \$15.00

----- remove and keep the shopping list below -----

**SHOPPING LIST - Purchase on your own before August BAND CAMP**

- **Alternate Uniform pants** – Black Dickies work pants can be purchased at Tilly's in the Galleria and JC Penny's – call if you have questions
- **BLACK Athletic shoes** – make sure to limit the other colors – no requirement for brand or style – just color.
- **BLACK T-shirt** - These are simple PLAIN black short-sleeved t-shirts that are required to be worn under the uniform. NO Tank Tops or Muscle shirts. We suggest you buy at least 2.
- **DARK athletic shorts** – MBMS gym shorts, soccer or basketball shorts, or spandex athletic shorts are all acceptable. They must be light weight and are required to be worn under the uniform. If purchasing, buy BLACK. We suggest you buy 2.
- **BLACK Socks** – for wearing with the full or alternate uniform. Must be black, and above the ankle – crew or higher. We suggest you buy several pairs.

**MCHS Colorguard Uniform Information**

*Students in Colorguard have two uniforms, the field show costume and the alternate uniform.  
 Students must own their own alternate uniform and some field show costume accessories.  
 Some garments must be purchased at cost through the Band Boosters using the following Order Form.*

**Season Shirt** – owned by student

The t-shirt based on the field show that everyone orders for wear with alternate uniform, changes each year.

**Alternate Uniform**– owned by student

The alternate uniform is worn for away games, pep rallies, and most small band performances. Except for the season shirt, it is usually worn for several years.

- Member Jacket
- Black Dickies Work pants\*
- Season Shirt
- Black athletic shoes\*

The Member Jacket is part of the alternate uniform and must be purchased through Band Boosters. Dickies work pants can be purchased at Tilly’s at the Galleria and JC Penny’s. Athletic shoes should be black; a very small amount of color is acceptable. Inexpensive black canvas sneakers are acceptable.

**Field Show Costume** – owned by school

This is the field show costume, which changes each fall. Fittings will be announced during the summer.

**Field Show Accessories**– owned by student

Accessories, such as hose, hair accessories, and shoes will be announced during the summer.

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**Colorguard Apparel Order Form**

**DUE JUNE 30, 2009 TO GRETCHEN RENSHAW 1138 18<sup>TH</sup> ST. MANHATTAN BEACH 90266**

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

- Checks Payable to: MCHS Band Boosters
- All sizes are adult sizes unless otherwise noted.

Item	Size (please circle)	Price	Qty.	Total
<b>Season Shirt</b> (some students like to order 2)	S M L XL XXL	\$10.00		
<b>Member Jacket</b> (same as last year's jacket)	Youth L Youth XL S M L XL XXL	\$45.00		
<b>Total Due:</b>				

- \_\_\_\_ We have enclosed the full amount. Check payable to “MCHS Band Boosters”.
- \_\_\_\_ Please accept my partial payment of \$ 30.
- \_\_\_\_ We will pay the remaining balance when clothing is picked up.
- \_\_\_\_ We need financial assistance. We will contact the band director, Mr. Carlson, to discuss.

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info (email or phone#) \_\_\_\_\_

# MCHS Marching Band Sneak Preview Night!



**For:** Band Members and Families

**When:** Monday, August 31, 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Pre-show starts @ 6:30, Performance starts @ 7:00!

*Following band camp dismissal for that day*

**Where:** Mira Costa High School Football Stadium

*Bring blankets for seating*

**Menu:** Food will be provided by the In-N-Out Truck

Serving students from 5:30 to 6:00 pm

Serving Parents/Guests from 6:00 to 7:00 pm

(Note: Truck leaves promptly at 7:00 pm)

**Entertainment:** The 2009 Mira Costa Marching Band & Colorguard

**To pre-order, please detach and return the order form below with payment by Monday, August 17**

Meal tickets will be distributed at the stadium.

For any questions, contact Jackie Jedynak (jajed@verizon.net or 310-372-9368)

Place form and payment in envelope in the band room labeled "In-N-Out Orders" by **August 17**.

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

All meals below include chips and a fountain drink.

Item	Meal Price		Quantity	Cost
Hamburger Meal	\$6.00	X		
Cheeseburger Meal	\$7.00	X		
Double-Double® Meal (double meat, double cheese)	\$8.00	X		
Grilled Cheese Meal	\$6.00	X		
<b>Payment Total:</b>				

\* Checks should be made payable to MCHS Band Boosters.