

Mira Costa Music - Bands

2011-2012 Information Packet

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Welcome to Mira Costa Bands!

This packet contains almost everything you need to know about the Bands at Mira Costa, anything else can be found on our website: www.miracostabands.com

Here's what you need to know immediately: One parent of each band member family needs to come to a meeting:

**Tuesday June 14
7:00 PM
Band Hall, MCHS**

At this meeting, Mr. Joel Carlson, the program director, will talk about the Bands program, representatives from Band Boosters will talk about how we support Mr. Carlson, and you will have a chance to ask questions.

We will start off addressing the Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, and Jazz Bands. After a short break for the parents of non-marching students to leave if they want, and we will then tackle Marching Band & Colorguard.

If your student will be a member of the Marching Band, the summer dates are probably your first concern. Here they are:

Spring Training Camp

For new students and leadership plus all drumline and colorguard
Wednesday June 29 & Thursday June 30
3:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Summer Rehearsals

For all students in town
Wednesdays in July
4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Fall Training Camp

Required for all students
August 15 – 19 Noon – 8:00 PM
August 22 – 26 Noon – 8:00 PM

August 29 2:00 – 8:00 PM
Sneak Preview for Families at 6:00 PM

The Mira Costa Bands program is extraordinary. We are proud to welcome you to our family!

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Jim Van Zanten, President 2010-2011
MCHS Band Boosters

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Parents: Please share these handouts with your student!

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Welcome

Whether you are a new student or a returning veteran of the Mira Costa Bands program, we are greatly looking forward to having you join us for the 2011-2012 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 we spend together is prized. 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 highly anticipating 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 Tuesday, June 14th at 7:00 PM 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 things coming to the Mira Costa Bands next year, and to make the information and forms in this packet as painless a process as possible. 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

On behalf of the officers of the Mira Costa Band Boosters, I welcome you to our excellent program. Led by Joel Carlson, the program has a place for every student, and there are many opportunities for your high school student to excel, gain friends and learn to lead others. These opportunities for student growth arise through the combined efforts of the students, the Manhattan Beach Unified School District trustees, the Mira Costa staff, Manhattan Beach Education Foundation, the Mira Costa PTSA, our MCHS Band Boosters (a 501 (c) (3) organization run by the parents), and our donors. Each parent that participates as a volunteer and provides his/her 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 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**...this last year the Marching Band & Colorguard participated in 20 fun events; the Winterguard in 5 competitions; the Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble in 5 outstanding festivals and concerts; the Drumline in various sporting events and the Percussion Studio in one great innovative percussion festival. Finally, outstanding individuals are selected to the So Cal Honor Band, to the All State Honor Band, to the spring musical orchestra and to band leadership positions.*

Gretchen Renshaw

2011-2012 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, all 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 integration, 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 the Marching Ensembles also go to competitions at local high schools and perform at various other local events. **In order to participate in Marching Band & Colorguard, students must be concurrently enrolled in one of the concert ensembles or Colorguard**.

After football season is over, the Colorguard moves inside the gym for an exciting activity all its own called Winterguard. The members of the Winterguard continue to develop in the dance based performing art of Colorguard and compete against other Winterguards with a show choreographed to recorded music. **In order to participate in the Winterguard, students must be concurrently enrolled in Colorguard**.

Jazz Ensembles

Jazz I • Jazz II

Students at Mira Costa also have the opportunity to perform music in the distinctly American idiom of Jazz. Jazz I meets during the day, and performances occur at school events, festivals, concerts and other community events. Due to the popularity of the original Jazz Band, we are now able to offer a second Jazz Band! Jazz II starts up in December and meets after school twice a week.

Chamber Ensembles

Percussion Studio

The Percussion Studio picks up with after school rehearsals for percussionists in January. Students work on pieces in various sizes of groups 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 2011-2012

Date	Event	School Events
MARCHING BAND SUMMER ACTIVITIES—SEE PAGES 13-18 OF THE BAND PACKET		
Aug 29	Marching Band Sneak Preview Night (6:00PM)	
Aug 31	First Day of School	Sept 10 – ACT
Sept 5	Labor Day (No School)	Sept 24 –MUN (SoCo)
Sept 9	Home Game v. Inglewood -Green & Gold, call 5:15, game 7PM	
Sept 17	Rehearse-a-thon (all day)	
Sept 22	Back to School Night	
Sept 29 & 30	No School, local holiday	
Sept 30	Home Game v. Chaminade, game starts 7:00 PM	
Oct 1	Hometown Fair Parade (morning)	
Oct 1	El Camino Field Tournament (afternoon-evening)	Oct 1 –MUN (Cerritos)
Oct 14	Home Game v. West, game starts 7:00 PM	Oct 1 –SAT / PLAN
Oct 15	Field Tournament (all day, PSAT takers join in)	Oct 15 –PSAT
Oct 20	Fall Concert (7:00PM) (Wind Ensemble only)	Oct 19 –MUN (Edison)
Oct 21	Home Game v. PV –Homecoming (no band half-time show)	Oct 22 – ACT
Oct 28	Pennekamp Halloween Parade (morning)	
Oct 30	Sketchers Pier to Pier Walk – tentative, Drumline only, AM	
Nov 5	Field Tournament (all day, SAT takers join in)	Nov 5 -SAT
Nov 11	No School, Veterans Day	
Nov 11	Home Game v. Redondo –Senior Recognition, game starts	Nov 11 –MUN (SS Wk)
Nov 19	Field Tournament (all day)(first Sat. of Thanksgiving break)	
Nov 21-25	Thanksgiving Break (No School)	
Nov 25	Manhattan Village Santa Parade (Morning, Call Time TBA)	
Dec 3	Disneyland Performance (all day, tentative)	Dec 1 – MUN (RHS)
Dec 6	Winter Concert (7:00PM)	Dec 3 – SAT
Mid-December	Finalized Lists of Winter and Spring Festivals & Competitions Posted; This Calendar Finalized	Dec 9 – Orch. Concert Dec 10 - ACT Dec 10 – MUN (MCHS) Dec 14 Choir Concert
Dec 19 - Jan 2	Winter Break (No School)	
Jan 12	Rotary Solo Competition Prelims	
Jan 16	No School, Martin Luther King Day	
Jan 20	All-Southern Honor Rehearsals and Concert (through 22 nd)	Jan 28 - SAT
Feb 3	Rotary Solo Competition Finals	
Feb 14	8 th Graders visit 0 Period, 8 th Grade Orientation	Feb 3–MUN (SurfCity)
Feb 16	All-State Honor Rehearsals and Concert (through 19)	Feb 12 – ACT
Feb 20-24	February Break (No School)	Feb 13 – MUN (NA Wk)
Mar 3	Manhattan Beach Little League Parade (Morning)	Mar 9 – MUN (Berkeley)
Mar 9	Festival Concert (7:00 pm)	Mar 10- SAT Mar 16 –Orch Concert
April 2-6	Spring Break (No School)	Apr 14 - ACT
April 20-21,26-28	Spring Musical	Apr 27 & 28 MUN
May 19	Mira Costa Spring Percussion Festival (7:00 PM)	Apr 30 – May 11 APs
May 28	Memorial Day (No School)	May 5 – SAT
Jun 1	Spring Concert (7:00PM)	Jun 4 – SAT, Jun 9 -ACT
Jun 6	Leadership Interviews and Auditions	Jun 6 Choir Concert
Jun 10	Bands Banquet	Jun 8 Orch Concert
Jun 21	Last Day of School	Jun 13 – Senior Finals
Jun 23rd	Last Day of School	Jun 17 – Sr. Finals

Website: www.miracostabands.com

What the School District Provides

With school district budgets cut down to the bone, Mira Costa High School provides for an Instrumental Music Teacher (salary and benefits), the physical band hall for practice, a very modest budget for new music purchase and instruction, and an auditorium for performances. Years ago, the MB Education Foundation, MB Athletic Foundation and Mira Costa PTSA were able to provide financial support for some special one-time request items, but not now. The burden for everything else in the band program falls on the band booster organization.

What the Mira Costa Band Boosters Will Provide in 2011-2012

Band Boosters provides two kinds of support for the four concert ensembles that meet during the school day, and for all the extra-curricular ensembles. First, the parents (band boosters) and donors in the community provide the funds to pay for expenses not covered by the school district. Secondly, the band booster parents also provide a pool of volunteers for our many activities. With a total of **170+** students, our nine groups (Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band 1, Jazz Band 2, Percussion Studio, Winterguard, Marching Band & Colorguard, plus ad hoc Chamber ensembles) participate in well over 40 events annually; each event has 30 to 160 students involved. The band boosters must then supply support for the following each year:

- ❖ 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 and festivals (\$)
- ❖ 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)
- ❖ A website that facilitates communication between school and home (\$ and volunteers)

This list is far from exhaustive. 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 our students reach for the stars and obtain admission to highly ranked universities with their rich experiences. And we have a great time!

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. The meeting dates are on the website calendar. 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.

The director of the program, Joel Carlson, provides vision and overview for the program and its ongoing development. He provides a report at the monthly meeting. The booster parent in charge of each upcoming event or task reports on progress, discusses issues, and asks for additional support if needed. Our meetings are generally light-hearted, even as we accomplish our tasks in a professional way.

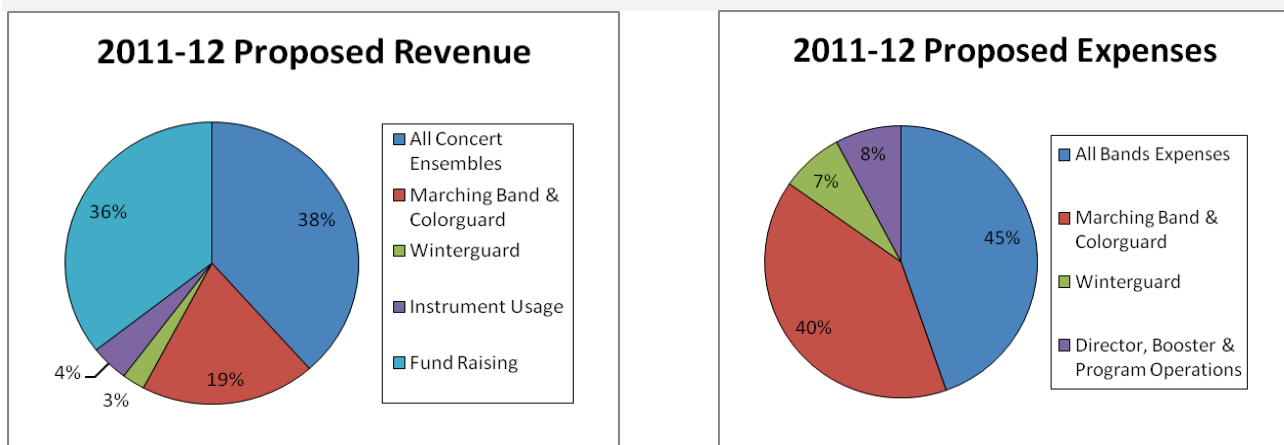
We have an up-to-date website from which information and forms can be easily obtained at www.miracostabands.com. The calendar on the website is frequently updated. Officers and activity leaders can email all members or particular committee members as they choose. Parents can easily sign up for email 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.

Tax Deductible 'Fair Share' Monetary Contribution 2011-2012

To run our high quality music program, we are asking for a **tax deductible 'Fair Share' contribution** for each program (currently nine) your student participates in. These contributions are outlined in detail in the following pages. Each program contribution is proportional to the financial resources taken by that program.

Even this contribution is not enough to cover the full cost of supporting the band programs at Mira Costa. Whereas the expense budget in 2008-2009 was approximately \$47,000, with the increased student growth in the program and activities, our 2011-2012 budget exceeds \$90,000. As such, we engage in additional fundraising efforts to cover important expenses.

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 creatively and collaboratively compete in the workforce that they will be entering.



Individual Student Subsidy

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 are able to offer Individual Student Subsidies to families that are unable to make the full Contribution. We highly encourage each family to be involved in the program; please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mr. Carlson if you need an Individual Student Subsidy. 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 ask that if you need an Individual Student Subsidy, that you take an active part in volunteering and in making the MCHS Band Boosters a better and more complete organization. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Mr. Carlson at 310-318-7337 x 5238 or e-mail at jcarlson@mbusd.org.

Please be in touch regarding an Individual Student Subsidy by Friday, September 2nd, 2011.

2011-2012 MCHS Band Booster Summary Chart Of Contributions by Activity

Find the Applicable Group/Form for Your Student	Previous Years	This Year
Concert Ensembles Only (Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band 1) Green Form Page 8		
Fair Share Contribution—All Concert Ensembles	\$200	\$220
Bus Transportation (See note below)	\$0	\$0
Total	\$200	\$220
Marching Band PLUS Concert Ensembles (Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band 1) Blue Form Page 9		
Fair Share Contribution—All Concert Ensembles	\$200	\$220
Fair Share Contribution—Add Marching Band	\$150	\$150
Bus Transportation (Cost Increasing for 2011-2012)	\$100	\$140
Total	\$450	\$510
Colorguard (Fall Marching Season) and Winterguard (Winter Season) Yellow Form Page 10		
Fair Share Contribution—Colorguard (\$150) & Winterguard (\$100)	\$250	\$250
Bus Transportation (Cost Increasing for 2011-2012)	\$100	\$140
Total	\$350	\$390
Add Jazz Band 2 (Winter/Spring) to Any Program Above		
Jazz Band 2: After School Program; Fees are Mandatory	\$200	\$220
Add Instrument Loan to Any Program Above		
Annual (See note below)	\$125	\$125

BUS TRANSPORTATION FOR MARCHING BAND & COLORGUARD: This contribution (\$140) covers up to 3 away games, 4 competitions and 1 trip to Disneyland.

ADDITIONAL BUS TRANSPORTATION FOR ALL PROGRAMS: A transportation contribution for all trips beyond the away games & marching competitions (which is covered in the \$140 contribution above) will be requested. The donation for additional trips will be based upon the actual cost for each trip divided by the number of participants (historically about \$15 per trip). Students will be requested to provide a donation for the bus transportation with their permission slip.

INSTRUMENT USAGE DONATION: This contribution is for students that are using the school owned instruments for the music programs; this contribution covers the annual cost of upkeep and repairs on each instrument.

MARCHING BAND UNIFORM RESERVE: The \$150 Fair Share contribution includes the uniform reserve of \$50/year. Uniforms are replaced every ten years. With the exception of personal items purchased and owned by students, there will be no additional uniform or camp fees.

WINTERGUARD NOTE: Winterguard students pay for their own costumes and transportation, although subsidies are provided for those who cannot afford this cost.

Fair Share Monetary Contribution 2011-2012
Use This Form if Your Student is in a Concert Ensemble
(Concert, Symphonic, Wind, Jazz 1) with a Jazz 2 option,
But is NOT in Marching Band
(Please fill out/return to Mr. Carlson by June 14, 2011)

FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR EXPENSES FOR ALL BANDS (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	Buses/Transportation

Name of Student _____ Grade _____ Instrument _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Parent / Guardian's Name _____

Phone #1 _____ Phone #2 _____

Email Address _____

\$220 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". (Full Fair Share Contribution should not be less than \$220.00)**

\$220 Add Jazz 2: For any student participating in the after school program Jazz 2. This fee is required.

\$ _____ Total Amount with Jazz 2

Fair Share Monetary Contribution 2011-2012

**Use this Form if Your Student is in both (1) Concert Ensemble (Concert, Symphonic, Wind, Jazz 1) AND (2) Marching Band with Jazz 2 Option
(Please fill out/return to Mr. Carlson by June 14, 2011)**

FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR ALL BANDS EXPENSES NOT PAID BY MBUSD 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	

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 _____

\$220 Fair Share Contribution: for any student participating in any Band Program including Concert, Symphonic, Wind Ensemble & Jazz

\$150 Fair Share Contribution: for marching band

\$140 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". (Full Fair Share Contribution should not be less than \$510.00)**

\$220 Add Jazz 2: For any student participating in the after school program Jazz 2.

\$ _____ Total Amount with Jazz 2

Fair Share Monetary Contribution 2011-2012
Use this Form if Your Student is in Colorguard
(Marching Season) and/or Winterguard (Winter Season)
(Please fill out/return to Mr. Carlson by June 14, 2011)

FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR COLORGUARD (FALL MARCHING SEASON) AND WINTERGUARD EXPENSES NOT PAID BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT INCLUDING...

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

Name of Student _____ Grade _____ Instrument _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Parent / Guardian's Name _____

Phone #1 _____ Phone #2 _____

Email Address _____

\$250 Fair Share Contribution Colorguard/Winterguard: for any student participating in the Colorguard/Winterguard program

\$140 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". (Full Fair Share Contribution should not be less than \$390.00)**

'Fair Share' Volunteer Form 2011-2012

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 be 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 2nd 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 fundraiser (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/Website Committee: These individuals coordinate (1) publications and programs, (2) media public relations, (3) membership functions, (4) photography (5) updating the website. (We retain a professional webmaster).

Concerts Committee: This committee coordinates all functions related to concerts (including Percussion Festival), festivals, and the year end banquet. Activities include staffing the box office, refreshments, cd sales, and decorations.

Guard Committee: This committee helps coordinate activities relating to the Colorguard and Winterguard. Costume assistance, coordinating Winterguard transportation to competitions, and assisting the coach occasionally.

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 2011-12 (Please fill out this section and return to Mr. Carlson by June 14, 2011)

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

**Please return this form to Mr. Carlson by June 29 (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.**

Emergency Card & Information for All Students

Student's Name _____

Graduation Year ___2012 ___2013 ___2014 ___2015

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) student 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.

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

**THE REMAINDER OF THIS PACKET IS INTENDED TO PREPARE
MARCHING BAND/COLORGUARD STUDENTS FOR
SUMMER AND FALL (PAGES 13 THRU 18)**

Spring & Summer Schedule/Camp Survival Guide

Spring Training Camp – All Drumline, All Colorguard, and 1st Year Members/Leadership Winds Only

Rehearsal Day (Jun. 29th – Jun.30th)

3:00 pm	Rehearsal Hall. All students sign in and get name tags.
3:05	Introductions and Information
3:30	Campus Tour by Section (June 29th only)
3:50	On the Field
5:00	Dinner Break
6:00	Evening Rehearsal Block
8:00	Check-in name tags. All dismissed

Summer Rehearsals

Wednesday Evenings (July 6th, 13th, 20nd, 27th.) – All Members unless out of town on Vacation

Every Wednesday evening starting July 6th, 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!

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. 29th**

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.
- **If you do not feel well alert an adult immediately and step off the field.**

Work hard in rehearsals and enjoy the break times!

MARCHING BAND/COLORGUARD STUDENTS ONLY **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 – All Members

Standard Rehearsal Day (Aug. 15th – 19th, 22nd -26th, 29th)

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)
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 29th)

12pm-5pm Rehearsal full band (schedule may be altered/shortened to fit the needs of the day)
5:30 Dismissal for Dinner (In-n-Out Truck @ MCHS)
6:00-8pm Sneak Preview Night @ MCHS (Details to be provided at the beginning of Fall Training Camp – SAVE THE DATE!)

Weekly Fall Marching Season Schedule

Monday 3:05-5:30 On the Field Rehearsal
Wednesday 5:30-8:00 Stadium Field Rehearsal
Thursday 3:05-4:00 Outside around the Band Hall

Please see the Main calendar for a complete Competition and Parade Schedule (changes week to week).
Check web site (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.

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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 Wednesday night rehearsals (2011-2012)** are designed such that a student may miss one or two during the course of the summer, but if you are in town, we need you to be at rehearsal. Please do not schedule doctor's appointments during rehearsal times. **Please note that ALL mandatory dates are a prerequisite for membership in the Marching Band and Colorguard. Over a semesters worth of regular school year class hours are covered within the Fall Training Camp alone. Missing a single day is like missing a week and a half of school, resulting in the member falling significantly behind the ensemble in a way that is particularly unfair to the members who are at rehearsal and who are progressing as a team. Thank you for your understanding and preparation.** Please talk to Mr. Carlson if you have any questions.

Please complete this form and return it to Mr. Carlson by June 29th even if there are no expected rehearsal absences. You may either bring it to Band Boosters meeting on June 14th, mail it to Band Boosters, or your student can bring it to Mr. Carlson the first day of band camp. Thanks!

Spring Training Camp - June 29, 30 – 3:00-8:00PM

Mandatory for 1st Year Members and Leadership Wind Players Only
Mandatory for Colorguard and Drumline

Summer Rehearsals

Mandatory for All Members unless out of town on Vacation (please indicate below)

Jul. 6, Wed. - 4PM-7PM	
Jul. 13, Wed. - 4PM-7PM	
Jul. 20, Wed. - 4PM-7PM	
Jul. 27, Wed. - 4PM-7PM	

Fall Training Camp - August 15-19, 22-26, 29* – 12:00-8:00PM

Mandatory for All Members

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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**, so every band member must order at least one from Band Boosters.

Alternate Uniform– owned by student

The alternate uniform is worn for away games, pep rallies, and most small band performances. Usually worn for several years.

- Member Jacket
- Black long pants
- Season Shirt, tucked in
- 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 gloves (Wind Instrumentalists)

Black marching shoes are worn with the full uniform, they belong to the student, but stay at school. Your student will be fit for shoes at their uniform fitting, and the shoes are purchased through Band Boosters.

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

* Families provide these items for their students.

Julie Caravaggio – Uniform Chair – julie.caravaggio@mattel.com , 310 462-9698

MARCHING BAND/COLORGUARD STUDENTS ONLY

Marching Band and Colorguard Apparel Order Form

Due June 29, 2011, Return to Julie Caravaggio, 1437 21st. St. Manhattan Beach 90266

Student's Name _____

- Checks Payable to: MCHS Band Boosters
- All sizes are adult unisex sizes.

Item	Size (please circle)	Price	Qty.	Total
Season Shirt (EVERYONE orders this, some students like to order 2)	S M L XL XXL	\$14.00	1 or 2	
Member Jacket (same as last year's jacket, no need to order another if you have one)	S M L XL XXL	\$57.00	1	
Black Marching Shoes (required for all except Color Guard). Last year's marching shoes are fine.	Size: _____ We will fit you	\$34.00	1	
Black Uniform Gloves (required for all wind instrument players only – no percussion or Color Guard)	We will sell at band camp, don't order	\$2.00	xxxx	xxxxxx
Total Due:				

Please make check payable to "MCHS Band Boosters" and attach to THIS form and return to Julie Caravaggio, either at parent meeting on June 14th, or by due date at address listed above in red.

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Contact Info (email or phone#) _____

----- Remove And Keep The Shopping List Below -----

SHOPPING LIST - Purchase on your own before August BAND CAMP

- **Alternate Uniform pants** – Black long pants
- **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 have 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 have 2 pairs.
- **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. Perhaps keep a pair in school locker?
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MCHS Marching Band Sneak Preview Night!



For: Band Members and Families

When: Monday August 29, 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 2011 Mira Costa Marching Band & Colorguard

To pre-order, please detach and return the order form below with payment by Monday, August 15.

Meal tickets will be distributed at the stadium. For any questions, contact Linda Beck (lsbeck@roadrunner.com or 310-871-6793)

-----DETACH HERE-----

**Place form and payment in envelope in the band room labeled "In-N-Out Orders" by August 15.
Make checks payable to "MCHS Band Boosters."**

Student's Name: _____

All meals below include chips and a fountain drink.

Item	Meal Price		Quantity	Cost
Hamburger Meal	\$7.50	x		
Cheeseburger Meal	\$8.50	x		
Double-Double® Meal (double meat, double	\$9.50	x		
Grilled Cheese Meal	\$7.50	x		
Payment Total:				