



To: **All Band and Guard students and parents**
Re: **Football Game and ISSMA REGIONALS**
(fall break week) At Chesterton HS

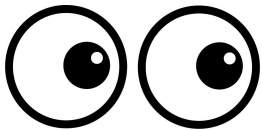
From: **Mr. Crowder and Mr. Cox**

The ISSMA (Indiana State School Music Association) has assigned DC to the Class A Northern Regional. Indiana has a south and a north. We are very excited to go north this year as we believe those bands are more like us in size of band and school than many in the south regional. WE NEED YOUR HELP!! Please come up to Chesterton to support your students!!!

Prop / PARENT HELP: We will need some help getting on the field this year. In specific we need 3 Podiums (6 people), Speakers (2 people), Props to the stadium (30 people)

Chaperones: Thank you for all your help and support at our contests. Please sign up on CHARMS! Email: zcrowder@decaturproud.org AND tcoc@decaturproud.org

FALL BREAK SCHEDULE



Monday Oct. 14 - no practice
Tuesday Oct. 15 - no practice
Wednesday Oct. 16- no practice

Thursday Oct. 17 - PRACTICE 9:00a - 4:00pm (lunch WILL BE served)

Friday Oct. 18th - PRACTICE 9:00a - 4:00pm (lunch WILL BE served) then our FINAL HOME GAME

4:30-5:15 ****DINNER WILL BE SERVED****

6:30 - Block band / carry your uniform and hat

6:45 - Pregame

8:00 - Halftime performance

8:15 - **Everyone will be dismissed at the end of HALFTIME**

9:00 Band Room will close = GO HOME

Schedule: Saturday 10-19-19

8:00am Arrive at DCHS
8:15 Begin Practice on our LOT
10:45 End Practice / Pack / Load Eat (Lunch on your own)
11:50 Load Buses (WE MUST BE ON TIME)

12:00 **Depart** for Chesterton HS Address: 2125 S 11th St, Chesterton, IN 46304

3:35 **Arrive at Chesterton HS (2:35 Central Standard Time / Indy is one hour ahead)** GET INTO UNIFORM

(no one may play or spin)

3:55CST Block Band – ready to move

4:05 Physical Warm-up for all Winds / Battery / Guard – Pit will need to travel with us

4:20 Transit

4:25 Music Warm-up

4:55 Transit - Students may have to help move props at this time into the stadium

5:05 Stage

Note: We are switching to Central Time (1 hour behind Indy time)

5:15 PERFORMANCE!!!! (that is 6:15 Indy time)

5:30 Back to the Buses / Semi – Load / Change

6:30 **Grab dinner in the stadium**

7:30 STUDENTS LOAD AND DEPART for DCHS

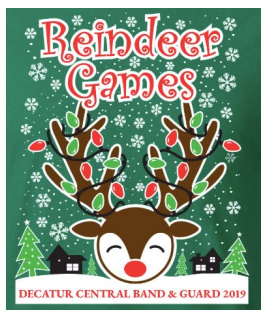
8:45 Awards / DM's / Guard members helping with awards will stay (Gold ratings / Silver and Bronze can be given)

SWITCH BACK TO INDY TIME

11:30 HOME – UNLOAD - EVERYONE MUST unload their OWN stuff!

12:00am Dismissed-----you are free to go once your things are put away!!

Awards: Our band ALWAYS sits / stands together. Please remember to handle every award with class whether we win or not – *don't boo or talk down other bands* – they have worked hard too. Don't celebrate more than 3 seconds if you get an award. **We will have STUDENT LEADERS THAT WILL CALL YOU TO ATTENTION AT AWARDS – PLEASE DO AS THEY ASK!**
We will discuss things AT HOME.



ALWAYS BE POSITIVE – WE WILL NOT ACCEPT A POOR ATTITUDE!

Prop and Pit Helpers –Pit and props will get Tickets / stamps or wristbands as well.

Admission: \$7.00 (adults)

NOTE ABOUT HOSPITALITY: ONLY Staff and Directors are permitted in this area. Bus Drivers may have a separate area. NO ONE other than staff.

Penalties: We can be assessed penalty points for ANYONE that plays, hits a drum, or

spins a flag while we are by our buses getting ready or anywhere – wait until a director gives the OK to play. **Remember Instruments, ALL Shoes, black socks, snack money!!

You must wear your 2019 band member SHIRT UNDER THE UNIFORM AND TO GET ONTO THE BUS.

Watching others: In the stands / parking lot you will be mature, watch the show and be polite!!

No PDA- EVER or negative talking – you NEVER talk during a performance!!

Block Band: Only band students allowed and staff – once we go to block we are performing!!

Listening to Chaperones: Always listen to chaperones!! No matter what! They are in charge and there to help you. Treat them well. Any discipline problems will be handled by Mr. Cox / Mr. Crowder

Riding a band bus: Only band students, and parents who are going as chaperones or pit helpers (brothers and sisters are welcome BUT ONLY if the parent is on the same bus and supervise them!!) No open radios, rude behavior, food or drink, or loud obnoxious behavior will be tolerated. Pick up all trash after we get home!

Make the effort to figure things out now - think ahead – plan for success – Do your best at all times! Remember LONG BLACK SOCKS and ALL HAIR CARE ITEMS!

Sincerely,

Mr. Crowder and Mr. Cox

MAPS: We will send these out once we get them.