

# **Margaret Bell Miller Middle School Band**



## **2019-2020 Information Packet**

# Welcome to the 2019-2020 MBM Band!

## Stay Connected! Stay Informed!

**Website:** [waynesburgcentralbands.org](http://waynesburgcentralbands.org)

**Remind101:** To receive notifications, do one of the following –

- Text Notifications – Text “@mbmband2” to 81010.
- E-mail Notifications – Send a blank e-mail to “mbmband2@mail.remind.com”.
- Push Notifications – Go to “rmd.at/mbmband2” on your phone’s web browser.

**Band Facebook Page:** [Waynesburg Central Bands](#)

**Parent Facebook Group:** [MBM Band Parents](#)

**MBM Band Booster E-mail:** [bandboostersmbm@gmail.com](mailto:bandboostersmbm@gmail.com)

**Band Director E-mail:** [dougmason@cgsd.org](mailto:dougmason@cgsd.org)

**Website:** Here you can view and subscribe to the band calendar, stay up-to-date with current fundraisers and band booster meeting minutes, find helpful resources for students such as fingering charts and practice recordings, and more! If you haven’t already, you will want to subscribe to the ‘WC Bands’ and ‘MBM Band’ Calendars so all middle school band events are saved and kept up-to-date on your calendar!

**Remind101:** Remind messages are used to send quick notifications to parents such as sudden changes to the band calendar, upcoming events, and when students will be returning to school from away events.

**Band Facebook Page:** By liking and following our Facebook page, you will receive weekly posts on your newsfeed with that week’s practices, meetings, fundraisers, and events.

**Parent Facebook Group:** This parent-run group serves as a discussion area for all MBM band parents. The purpose is to help keep information flowing and clarify any questions that anyone may have.

**MBM Band Booster E-mail:** This e-mail address should be used if you ever have any questions regarding booster-related items such as upcoming or past band booster meetings, upcoming or past fundraisers, and your student’s account balance.

**Band Director E-mail:** This e-mail address should be used if you ever have any questions regarding the band program such as band classes during the school day, after school practices, and concerts and performances.

## MBM Band: 2019-2020 Schedule

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\* For more details and up-to-date information, check out the Calendar at [waynesburgcentralbands.org](http://waynesburgcentralbands.org) . \*

DATE		ACTIVITY/EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	DETAILS
July	9	Drumline Rehearsal	WCHS	4:30-7:00	
	11	Drumline Rehearsal	WCHS	4:30-7:00	
	16	Drumline Rehearsal	WCHS	4:30-7:00	
	17	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	18	Drumline Rehearsal	WCHS	4:30-7:00	
	22	Summer Band	WCHS	4:30-8:30	5:30-6:30 Dinner Break
	23	Summer Band	WCHS	6:30-8:30	
	24	Summer Band	WCHS	4:30-8:30	5:30-6:30 Dinner Break
	25	Summer Band	WCHS	6:30-8:30	
	26	Summer Band	WCHS	4:30-8:30	5:30-6:30 Dinner Break
	29	Summer Band	WCHS	4:30-8:30	5:30-6:30 Dinner Break
30	Summer Band	WCHS	6:30-8:30		
31	Summer Band	WCHS	4:30-8:30	5:30-6:30 Dinner Break	
August	1	Summer Band	WCHS	6:30-8:30	
	2	Summer Band	WCHS	4:30-8:30	5:30-6:30 Dinner Break
	3	Away Camp	Jackson's Mill	All Day	5:30 Check-In
	4	Away Camp	Jackson's Mill	All Day	
	5	Away Camp	Jackson's Mill	All Day	4:00 Check-Out
	15	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	4:30-6:00	
	22	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	4:30-6:00	
	29	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-5:00	
September	4	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	5	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-5:00	
	6	Football Game (Home)	WCHS	7:00	Students Report @ 5:45
	12	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-5:00	
	19	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-5:00	
	20	Football Game (Home)	WCHS	7:00	Students Report @ 5:45
	25	Marching Band Rehearsal ( <i>Wednesday</i> )	WCHS	3:30-5:00	
	27	Buckwheat Festival Competition	Kingwood, WV	All Day	Parade @ 2:00
	Football Game (Home)	WCHS	7:00	Students Report @ 5:45	
October	2	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	3	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-4:30	
	10	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-4:30	
	17	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-4:30	
	18	Football Game (Home)	WCHS	7:00	Students Report @ 5:30
	24	Marching Band Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-4:30	
	31	Halloween Parade	Waynesburg	6:30	Students Report @ 6:01
November	6	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	9	Veteran's Day Parade ( <i>TENTATIVE</i> )	Waynesburg	TBA	
	13	Jr. High County Band & Choir Festival	WCHS	9:00-2:00	
	14	Jr. High County Band & Choir Festival	WCHS	9:00-2:00	
	15	Jr. High County Band & Choir Festival	WCHS	9:00-8:00	Concert @ 7:00 PM

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DATE		ACTIVITY/EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	DETAILS
December	4	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	7	Christmas Parade	Waynesburg	2:00	Students Report @ 1:29
	9	Concert Band Dress Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-6:00	
	13	Christmas Concert	WCHS	7:00	Students Report @ 6:00
	14	Christmas Parade	Mt. Morris	4:00	Students Report @ 3:36
	18	Fall Small Ensembles Concert ( <i>TENTATIVE</i> )	Carmichaels	7:00	Dress Rehearsal @ 4:00
January	8	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
February	5	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
March	4	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	19	Spring Small Ensembles Concert ( <i>TENTATIVE</i> )	West Greene	7:00	Dress Rehearsal @ 4:00
	30	Concert Band Dress Rehearsal	WCHS	3:30-6:00	
April	1	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	3	Spring Concert	WCHS	7:00	Students Report @ 6:00
May	6	Booster Meeting	WCHS	6:30	
	7	Spring Competition ( <i>TENTATIVE</i> )	TBA	TBA	
	8	Spring Competition ( <i>TENTATIVE</i> )	TBA	TBA	
	9	Spring Competition ( <i>TENTATIVE</i> )	TBA	TBA	
	13	Registration Night ( <i>TENTATIVE</i> )	WCHS	7:00	
	25	Memorial Day Parade	Mt. Morris	11:00	Students Report @ 10:32
June	3	Booster Meeting (officers only)	WCHS	6:30	

## Frequently asked questions:

- **Can my child just do band class and not be in the marching band?**

It is important that all the band students are expected to do the same things. It is impossible to run a class where some of the class members are learning one thing while the others in the same class are learning something else. It is also best when all the students are required to do the same amount of work to achieve their grade.

- **Is my child expected to participate in the summer program?**

Yes, the summer rehearsals are not optional. When there are extenuating circumstances where a student may have to miss a rehearsal or two, we try to make adjustments to assure your child does not fall behind.

- **Does my child have to go to the away camp?**

Away camp is one of the most important events of the school year. Because of the amount of material covered at the camp, we **highly encourage** everyone to be there. Students who have missed away camp in the past have had a very difficult time catching up. Consider being a chaperone if your child is a little anxious about going away.

- **If I do not have an instrument, are there school instruments that can be used?**

We do have a few instruments that can be signed out to be used. We may not have the particular instrument that you are interested in, but we will always be able to find something for you to play.

- **How do I become a chaperone?**

There are a few steps that you must do to legally be able to be a chaperone:

- 1) You must obtain **clearances**.
- 2) You must submit a copy of those clearances to the band office.
- 3) You must submit the original clearance documents to the school district office.
- 4) The school board must approve you as a chaperone at a board meeting.

More details and instructions can be found on the band website under Resources → Parent Resources → Clearances.

# The Band Booster Officers would like to welcome you to the Margaret Bell Miller Middle School Band!

**Band Fundraising 101:** Throughout the year, the band will offer several fundraisers. Certain fundraisers are geared towards the band booster general fund which pays for transportation, t-shirts, and other fees related to the band – band members are required to participate in the general fundraisers. There are also other fundraisers where the money is kept on record in a “student account” to offset the cost of band fees required by members (summer band, spring competition, etc.) – band members may or may not participate in these fundraisers.

Here is a list of the proposed fundraisers for the 2019-2020 school year:

## **General Fund Fundraisers:**

A Night at the Races: A Night at the Races is tentatively planned to take place at the Armory in Waynesburg in October.

Black Friday Raffle Ticket: Band Members will be responsible for selling raffle tickets to win a collection of gift cards and cash to various stores and restaurants. Each member is expected to sell at least 5 tickets. Tickets will be available at the October booster meeting. All ticket money must be turned in by the November booster meeting. Ticket winner will be determined by the Pennsylvania Lottery Daily 3 on November 15th.

Spring 5K: Details to be determined.

## **Student Account Fundraisers:**

Yankee Candle: This will be online & catalog. The fundraiser will start July 22nd and all catalog orders must be turned in by August 5th. Students earn a 40% profit on all items sold. Packets will be available the first day of summer band rehearsals.

Hershey's Candy Bars: Boxes containing a variety of candy bars will be available at the September booster meeting. Each bar will sell for \$2. Students earn a minimum \$24 profit on each full box sold. Students may sell more than 1 box based on availability, but money for the previous MUST be turned in before another box will be signed out. Boxes may be signed out during football games or after rehearsals by a booster officer. All money must be turned in by the October booster meeting.

Jack's Links Beef Jerky: Bags containing a variety of beef jerky will be available starting at the February booster meeting. Each packet or stick will sell for \$2. Students earn a 50% profit on the jerky sold. Students may sell more than 1 bag of jerky based on availability, but money for the previous bag MUST be turned in before another bag will be signed out. All money must be turned in by the March booster meeting.

Pittsburgh Popcorn Company: Students may sell bags of popcorn for a 50% profit. Packets will be handed out at the March booster meeting. All orders must be turned in by April 1st at the Booster Meeting. NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Orders will be delivered April 17th.

Sodexo: If you receive training, you may work concessions at Black Bear or WVU games. The money you earn at these games will go directly into your student's account.

**Margaret Bell Miller Marching Band  
Band Camp Packet**



**August 3 through August 5, 2019  
Jackson's Mill, Weston WV**

Dear Band Parent,

Many of you have a lot of questions concerning band camp. I hope this packet will answer most of your questions.

Registration for band camp will be on **Saturday, August 3rd at 5:30 pm**. Students will register at the registration table in Assembly Hall where they will need to turn in any of the following outstanding items:

1. Any money still owed for camp and any other outstanding debts.
2. Health and Medication form, along with any medications, to the nurse.
3. Registration and Permission form.
4. Contact Information form.

Students will receive their room assignments and meal bracelets. Students will be dismissed to go and unpack in their cabins. Chaperones will be in the cabins to help with any problems.

After everyone is registered we will meet in Assembly Hall to go over the rules and expectations of camp. We will also have our first rehearsal in this hall. Students will need their instruments and music.

#### **SAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE**

7:30	Wake Up
8:00 / 8:15	Line-up / Breakfast
9:15 - 10:15	Marching Fundamentals / Field Marching
10:15 - 10:30	Break
10:30 - 11:45	Sectionals
11:45 - 12:00	Break
12:00 / 12:15	Line-up / Lunch
1:15 - 2:15	Woodwind, Brass, Percussion, and Color Guard Small Group Rehearsals
2:15 - 2:30	Break
2:30 - 3:30	Full Band (music) Rehearsal
3:30 - 5:15	Recreation Time
5:15 / 5:30	Line-up / Dinner
6:30	Full Marching Band Rehearsal (until finished)

\* Evening activities will start after the evening rehearsal.

\* The schedule of events will be provided daily.

\* Band Camp will conclude **Monday, August 5th at 4:00 pm**.



### **EVENING ACTIVITES**

Band Dance (bring music that you like) / Karaoke  
BE SURE TO PUT YOUR NAME ON YOUR RECORDINGS.  
Swimming / Pizza Party

### **AFTERNOON ACTIVITES**

Swimming  
Tennis  
Touch Football  
Volleyball  
Basketball  
\* Bring your own sporting goods. Put your name on your stuff.

### **WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP**

At least 2 pair of comfortable shoes for marching – not sandals  
At least 2 changes of clothes per day  
Several pairs of socks  
Bathing suits for swimming  
Sweatshirts and sweatpants for evening and mornings  
Light jackets  
Towels and Washcloths  
Soap and Shampoo  
Toiletry articles (you do not need to bring toilet paper)  
Lip Balm  
Sunscreen  
Band-aids  
Snacks  
Gatorade  
Dental wax for braces  
Instrument/accessories/and music  
Small notepad for drill notes  
\* Jackson's Mill provides clean sheets, and a pillow. If you prefer your own, please feel free to bring them.

### **WHAT NOT TO BRING TO CAMP**

Valuables  
Electronic Devices  
Expensive Cameras  
Shaving Cream  
Water guns and toys  
Balloons  
Saran wrap  
Roller-blades

Use common sense - if you need to ask about it, DON'T BRING IT!

There is no need for excessive amounts of money. You will only need money for any snacks that you wish to purchase. (Remember to bring change for the machines.)

## **RULES FOR CAMP:**

- ❑ All students are expected to behave in a mannerly fashion respecting both physical property and other people.
- ❑ All students must respect and obey rules imposed by Jackson's Mill.
- ❑ Students are not permitted to leave the camp grounds unless arrangements have been made and approved by Mr. Mason. Students would only be excused from camp with a parent and with written notice.
- ❑ Meals will be attended as a group and students must attend all meals, be seated at least 30 minutes, and be dismissed by the band director.
- ❑ Students must remain orderly in the dining hall until the group is excused by the band director. Mealtime is intended for eating and visiting. Appropriate behavior and table manners will be observed by all.
- ❑ Shaving creme, b-b guns or water guns, toilet paper, saran wrap, televisions, skateboards, etc., are not to be brought to camp. Students will be sent home without a refund for breaking this rule.
- ❑ Pillow fights and other disorderly behavior which might result in injury, excessive noise, or property damage are not permitted. Students will be sent home.
- ❑ No physical or emotional abuse of another camper will be tolerated.
- ❑ No foul language will be tolerated.
- ❑ No boys are permitted in girls' cabins, and no girls are permitted in boys' cabin. Such get-togethers are discouraged and must be limited to the public areas of the camp. All students involved will be sent home immediately without a refund.
- ❑ All camp or band property damaged as a result of improper behavior will be paid for by the responsible party.
- ❑ After "lights-out" no one is permitted to leave their cabins without the permission and accompaniment of their counselor.
- ❑ *NO ONE*: is permitted to either take to camp or consume any alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, stimulants and/or drugs of any type. Violation will result in the student being sent home.
- ❑ Your counselors and instructors should be addressed as, Mr., Mrs., Miss. These people are volunteering their time to the band and are to be treated with respect regardless of age.
- ❑ If any student is under any medication, give it to the nurse upon arrival at camp. Under no circumstances will students be permitted to have any medication in the cabins (including aspirin).
- ❑ Medical forms and permission forms will be collected by the last rehearsal at WCHS. The only exception to this will be any medical information that needs to be handed to the nurse the day of the start of camp. Students who do not have their health forms and permission forms will not be permitted to stay.
- ❑ The use of fireworks, matches, or other incendiary materials is forbidden.

**\* The following will constitute serious violations of Jackson's Mill rules and regulations established for minors attending conferences:**

- ❑ Tampering with fire fighting equipment or fire alarm systems.
- ❑ Use of athletic equipment within the cabins.
- ❑ Failure to comply with Jackson's Mill employees acting within their scope of responsibilities.
- ❑ Camp facilities not assigned to your group are off limits.

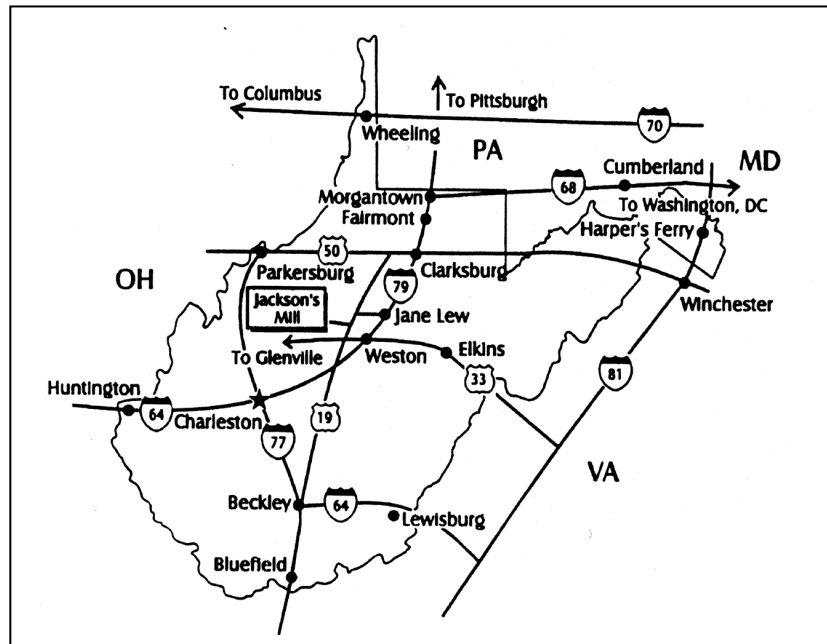
**IF FOR ANY REASON YOU ARE SENT HOME FROM CAMP FOR VIOLATION OF RULES OR INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR, THERE WILL BE NO REFUND!**

### **DIRECTIONS TO JACKSON'S MILL**

From Waynesburg: Take I-79 South to WV, exit 105 (Jane Lew). The mileage from the Waynesburg exit to the Jane Lew exit is 68 miles. Use the directions marked "From I-79 South", found on the bottom of the map of Jackson's Mill to get from the exit to the camp. The camp is approximately 7 miles from the exit.

**Jackson's Mill  
RT. 1, Box 210 – WVU  
Weston, WV. 26452**

**1-800-287-8206  
(304) 269-5100**





## Margaret Bell Miller MS Marching Band Registration and Permission Form

I hereby give my permission for my son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_,  
age \_\_\_\_\_, to attend **Margaret Bell Miller MS Band Camp, August 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. I understand  
that the Band Director, Band Boosters, and Jackson's Mill camp will not be responsible for my child's  
safety to and from camp. I further acknowledge that I agree to the camp rules and discipline  
procedure. In the event of accident or illness, permission is granted for such medical and/or surgical  
treatment as may be necessary. (The Band Director and/or Nurse will attempt to notify the parent or  
guardian before any treatment is undertaken.)

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

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I have read and agree to follow all of the stated rules from the Band Camp Packet

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



CONTACT INFORMATION  
FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

The band will need emergency contact information as well as a way to provide the parent/guardian and student with non-emergency information. Please list your contact information below so that you will receive the information that your student needs to have a successful and productive band experience. This information will be kept confidential and will not be shared with any other group. You will receive emails from the officers of the band boosters and no one else.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Number (Emergency Only): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Number (Emergency Only): \_\_\_\_\_

A few times a year we may need to make phone calls to parents. These numbers will also be kept confidential and will be used for band purposes only.

Parent to contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred number: \_\_\_\_\_

Best time of day to reach at this number: \_\_\_\_\_

Information will also be posted on the band website at **[waynesburgcentralbands.org](http://waynesburgcentralbands.org)**.





# Margaret Bell Miller Middle School Band

## Health and Medication Form

*\* This form must be kept up-to-date and turned in prior to the start of band camp and the spring trip. \**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Health Information:**

#### Medication Taking/Dose/Time/Reason

Medication	Dose	Frequency	Time	Reason

All MEDICATIONS FROM A DOCTOR MUST BE IN ORIGINAL CONTAINER

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Serious Illness/Operations: \_\_\_\_\_

Serious Injuries: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Please check mark what applies. \*

Asthma		Fainting Spells		Indigestion	
Cramps		Headaches		Joint Problems	
Diabetes		Heart Murmur		Bee Stings	
Epilepsy		Heart Condition			
Last Tetanus Shot		Last Polio Vaccination			

Do you have any additional instructions/restrictions regarding your child?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

My child may take:

Advil		Tylenol		Ibuprofen	
Benadryl (for reactions)					

Must be initialed by Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

I request that the Band Director contact me in the event of an emergency, accident or serious illness. If the Band Director is unable to reach me, I hereby authorize the Band Director (Mr. Mason) to make whatever arrangements necessary, including referral to the hospital for treatment as the attending physician may direct.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Proof of Insurance:**

\*\*\*\* I, the above signed parent, agree to pay any medical cost that is not covered under medical insurance. \*\*\*\*

My son/daughter is covered under medical insurance:                      Yes                      No

Name of Guarantor: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\* MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF INSURANCE CARD \*\*\*\*\*