

# Evergreen

Band/Colorguard/Orchestra 5-1<sup>st</sup> Line Northwest Champion

Newsletter

Summer 2011

## and so it begins...

You can see your breath in the brisk night air. You shiver, though if from the cold or simply from anxiety and excitement, you can't tell. No one speaks as the silent procession makes its way to the beckoning lights ahead.

You look up to the sky in time to see the gray clouds roll away, revealing the full moon which casts its pale glow down to reflect off the uniforms around you.

Now you are at the edge of the field. Any whispers that might have arisen during the walk are suddenly stifled as each face turns to gaze at the plain before them. You are dimly aware of the roar of hundreds of people, but you pay it no mind. Your thoughts are bent on the task before you. You go over each detail, each move. Every breath you will take in the next 10 minutes is rehearsed, planned and exact.

An order is shouted -- it seems a whisper in contrast to the sounds within you and without --and you move forward onto the field. Your heart races and sweat begins to bead on your forehead. The metal in your hands is icy cold, you flex your fingers to warm them. You raise your eyes and peer past the low brim of your shako and gaze at the hundreds of people assembled around you.

The adrenaline starts to flow. Slowly you raise the instrument to your lips . . . then, in a flash, you and more than a hundred others transform . . . you explode into a single entity of sights and sounds . . . a magnificent wave of musical energy.

The music flows through you, around you, binding you, in that instant within the hearts and souls of your colleagues, your friends. The exhilaration of the crowd serves only to intensify your performance. Each step rolls into another, each note blends with the next. One form slowly unfolds as another takes shape, then . . . it is over . . . those were the fastest 8 minutes of your life. Sweat drips into your eyes, your knees are weak and your feet burn. Your breath comes in gasps, chills run down your spine as the crowd roars its approval.

You look over at the faces of your friends. All of them are sweaty, red-faced and gasping for air. But all of them are smiling as you march off the field. You are exhausted, both mentally and physically, but you'd all do it again if asked.

Despite mistakes and lost shoes, one can't help but feel pride. This feeling is greater than any high you can achieve from a drug. This is a feeling that you can only get in those 8 minutes.

Whether you win or lose is of no consequence now because in those 8 minutes you became immortal and in those 8 minutes you were the best you could be. You were alive!

This is marching band. Welcome and prepare to live your life. - *Paraphrased from an article on DCI.org*



# Success begins here

## Summer Music Rehearsals

June 30, July 13 and 18

We will have rehearsals for brass and woodwinds during the summer on the following dates:

- Thursday, June 30
- Thursday, July 13
- Thursday, July 28

On those dates, woodwinds will meet in the band room from 9-11 am and the brass will meet from noon-2. Bring your instruments! If you are out of town on those dates, don't worry about it, just try to get to the next one.

We're looking forward to getting you your music and getting a head-start to an amazing season.

## Colorguard Summer Rehearsals and Camp Changes

August 19

Our colorguard instructors are teaching drum corps this summer, and Drum Corps International is after the first week of camp. To maximize our colorguard rehearsal time with our staff, we are going to run the following rehearsals for colorguard:

Thursday, June 30, 9am - 8pm Colorguard Summer Dance Camp

Friday, July 1, 9am - 4:30 pm Colorguard Summer Dance Camp

Saturday, July 30, Time TBA

Monday, August 1, 9am - 5pm

Tuesday, August 2, 9am - 5pm

Wednesday, August 3, 9am - 5pm

Thursday, August 4, 9am - 5pm

Friday, August 5, 9am - 5pm

Monday, August 8, 9 am - 1 pm

Tuesday, August 9, 9 am - 1 pm

Wednesday, August 10, 9 am - 1 pm

Thursday, August 11, 9 am - 1 pm

Friday, August 12, 9 am - 1 pm

and then the colorguard will rehearse the same hours as the rest of the marching band from Monday, August 15 to Friday, August 19.

## Summer Percussion Camp

July 25 - July 29

All percussionists will have a percussion camp from Monday, July 25th through Friday, July 29th, from 10am - 4 pm each day. We will work on our technique and receive music for the show.

## Rookie Camp

August 4 - August 6

All new students to the Evergreen Marching Band will learn our marching fundamentals from August 4-6, from noon to 4 pm.

## Full Band Camp

August 8 - 12

August 15 - 19

Band Camp is designed to reduce the amount of rehearsal time required once school starts. Students need to be at all three rehearsal blocks during the two weeks of Marching Band Camp.

9 am - noon First Rehearsal Block. This is a marching block

Noon - 1:00 pm Lunch (on your own)

1:00 - 4:30 pm Second Rehearsal Block. This is a music block

4:30 - 5:30 pm Dinner (on your own)

5:30 - 8:30 pm Third Rehearsal Block. This is a drill/ensemble block, where we put all the pieces together.

*Do I need to be at all three rehearsal blocks during band camp?*

YES! The rehearsal time is spread out over more of the day to avoid the hot parts of the day.

*How do I get my marching show music?*

You will receive your music during the summer rehearsals. If you aren't able to come to the rehearsal before Band Camp, you can get your show music on the first day of Band Camp or on our web site, [www.ehsboosters.com](http://www.ehsboosters.com).

*I haven't heard from my section leader. What should I do?*

If you haven't received heard from your section leader yet, please call one of the section leaders or one of the directors. You can find their emails on the web site under Contacts.

## New 9th Grade Parent Meeting

August 8

We realize that there is a lot of information about this activity for new parents to digest. All parents are part of what we call "The Boosters," and we take care of each other. We want to give you information that will help you become a part of our family of parents, as well as answering the questions you will have. We will meet on the first Monday of Band Camp at 6:30 pm to give you information and answer your questions.

## First Full Parent Meeting

August 15

Our first Full Parent Meeting is on the Monday of the second week of Band Camp. This is the most important meeting of the year, and we expect every parent to attend. You will receive critical information at this meeting. Please make sure it is on your home calendar and that you plan to attend!

## Premiere Performance

August 19

Join us for the Evergreen Marching Band & Colorguard Premiere Performance and Potluck so that you can see what your student has been doing for the past two weeks in band camp. Invite your friends and family to this free event! You will also hopefully meet some new friends that will experience the season with you! The Potluck will be at McKenzie Stadium on Friday, August 19th at 7:00 pm. (Continued on the next page)

**What do I bring to the Potluck?** We are encouraging all the families to bring a dish as shown below. The boosters will provide the beverages. The boosters will also have tables set up so that you can check on your student's fair share, buy a show T-shirt, sign up to be a chaperone, and see all the terrific fundraising opportunities that are available.

If your last name begins with the following letters, please bring:

- A-G** Side Dish (Salads, Beans, etc)
- N-S** Dessert (Cookies, Pie, Brownies, etc)
- H-M** Main Dish (Fried Chicken, Pasta, Sandwiches, etc.)
- T-Z** Chips and Dips

## Clearance

### August 11

The EHS Activity Office will be open on Thursday, August 11th to begin clearing students for participation in activities. You can turn in your Clearance Packet on Thursday or Friday before camp begins on those days (plan between 7:30 and 8:30 am). We will line up at 7:45 am (first come, first served!). The Activities Office is NOT open to clear activities until that date, so if you try to turn it in early, you will be out of luck.

## The Financial Picture



### August 19

The Fair Share is designed to offset the amount that the Boosters pay to run the program. Also, instead of paying for them individually, the Fair Share will pay for items that students ordinarily pay for in the fall, such as their first pair of gloves and member T-shirts. Your Fair Share also helps to pay for staffing, equipment, props, flags, transportation, occasional meals on trips, recording, mailings, and supplies. The amount you pay as a Fair Share is just a portion of the amount that the Booster Organization provides for this program to be successful.

<u>Date Due</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>If paid by this date, you will receive:</u>
July 1	\$ 50.00	
August 1	\$ 100.00	T-Shirt free if you have paid \$150 by the second week of band camp
September 1	\$ 75.00	
October 1	\$ 75.00	
Total	\$300.00	

### ***Are there any other costs associated with marching band?***

All bands, choirs and orchestras at every high school in the district have a \$50 class fee per year for performing music classes. This will help defray transportation and other costs associated with running music programs. You will pay that fee to the Activities Office when you turn in your Clearance Packet during Band Camp. All members of the band and colorguard, even non-marchers, will need to pay this fee. New marchers will need to purchase their marching shoes as well. These are purchased at a reduced rate through the Booster Organization. Percussion will also have an equipment fee which provides the sticks and instruments they will use in the group.

## Regular Rehearsal Schedule

Once school starts, our regular rehearsals are as follows:

Mondays	4:00 - 7:00 pm	Full Marching Band Rehearsal
Tuesdays	4:00 - 7:00 pm	Colorguard Rehearsal
Wednesdays	4:00 - 7:00 pm	Full Marching Band Rehearsal
Thursdays	2:30 - 5:30 pm	Percussion Sectionals



## Shopping List for Camp

- One 1/2" 3-ring binder
- Highlighter pen
- Two or more pencils
- Roll of masking tape (any width)
- 50 sheet protectors for your 3-ring binder
- 3X5 spiral notebook
- Sunscreen
- Instrument supplies (valve oil, reeds, etc)
- Water bottle (large) - the night before camp, fill the bottle with water and freeze it overnight. It will melt as the day progresses, providing you with cold water all day.
- Supplies for packed lunches during the day. You can either pack your lunch or go home for lunch and dinner.
- Plenty of rest and exercise over the summer.

How to access parent information

# CHARMS

Our new student/parent organizational system.

- Log on to [www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com)
- Locate the "PARENT/STUDENT LOGIN" section of the web page.
- Login to your child's program account using the following login:

EvergreenHSBand

- This will bring up the main parent page. This will allow you to look at your child's program's **public calendar, event list, handouts and other files.**
- Clicking on an event on the calendar brings up the details for that event, such as times, attendance requirements and equipment/uniform necessities. Clicking on "event list" puts all of the calendar information in a list form for easy printing.
- Your child's ID Number is your Evergreen ID Number (the same one you use to access School Wires). When you enter your child's ID NUMBER, another more detailed screen appears with even more options to view your student's uniform assignments, music assignments, financial records, forms and inventory. Enter your child's ID FIRST – then you may create your own, unique password by clicking on the "keys icon." Some of these features are not active yet, as we are currently inputting the information to make it more accurate.
- To help the director maintain his records:
  - **Student information form** – you may help make changes to your child's **student information page** (such as updating phone numbers and email addresses if they change) to help the teacher communicate with you more effectively.
- Most importantly, the parent page assists both you and the teacher to communicate with each other.
- You will also see links to **enter Practice Logs, view Grades, and use the Recording Studio.**



**LOG IN TODAY!!**



## YOUR SUMMER CHECKLIST

✓ **Send out Sponsorships Forms.** These forms are included at the end of this newsletter. Copy them and send to at least 15 businesses with a personal note to ask them to help you raise the money needed for this year.

✓ **Sell McKenzie Classic Ads.** Pick 10 major businesses to visit and ask to see the manager to sell an ad. Remember, no sales by phone – do it in person! Ad forms will be available during Band Camp.

✓ **Clearance Forms.** All band and colorguard members need to be cleared before Friday of the first week of Band Camp. You will not be permitted to rehearse with us after that time until you fill out the necessary forms to be cleared. The Activities office is open during band camp. All members need to clear before the first Friday of camp by coming in to the Activities Office before Band Camp begins at 9 am. Please get there at 7:30 to be first in line. All guard members need to bring proof that they have had a physical from their family doctor when they clear through the activities office on that first week of Full Band Camp.

✓ **Log in to "Charms."** See the article to the left!

✓ **Send in your Fair Share Payments.** You can either bring the Fair Share payments with you to rehearsals or you can send them to

Evergreen Band and Colorguard  
PO Box 87098  
Vancouver, Washington 98687-7098

✓ **Buy sunscreen, a hat and a water bottle for camp.** It gets hot during camp, and you need to keep your body safe and hydrated. Freeze a half bottle of water overnight before each day of camp, then fill it in the morning with water. Wear your sunscreen! You will also need to wear tennis shoes and socks to camp – no sandals!

✓ **Purchase your marching supplies:** You will need supplies during band camp. Please bring the "Shopping List" section of this letter with you when you shop to make sure you have everything you need for Band Camp!

✓ **Practice your warm-ups.** Don't wait until the last minute to get your "chops" in shape! Practice every day!

✓ **Practice and memorize your show music.** Memorize early!!

# Calendar

## June

The Calendar on the web site will be the most accurate and up-to-date. Please check it often.

30 Thurs Woodwind Rehearsal 9-11 am - Band Room  
Brass Rehearsal 1pm-3pm - Band Room

20-July 1 **Colorguard Dance Camp** ← *All colorguard members*

## July

1 Fri First Fair Share Payment Due (\$50) ← *Don't forget to stay current on your Fair Share Payments*  
13 Thurs Woodwind Rehearsal 9-11 am - Band Room  
Brass Rehearsal noon-2 pm - Band Room

25-29 Mon-Fri **Marching Percussion Camp** ← *All percussion members*

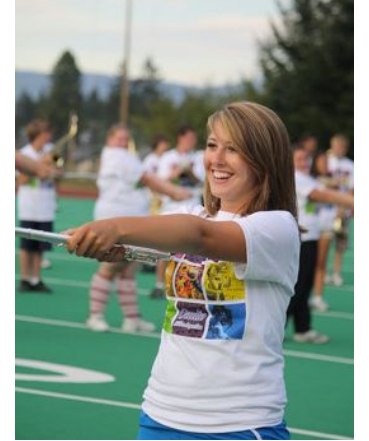
28 Thurs Woodwind Rehearsal 9-11 am - Band Room  
Brass Rehearsal 1pm-3pm - Band Room  
30 Sat Colorguard Rehearsal, 9am-5pm ← *Colorguard rehearsals are a bit different this year. Please read the story in this newsletter*

## August

1 Mon Second Fair Share Payment Due (\$100 for a total of \$150)  
Colorguard Rehearsal, 9am-5pm  
2 Tues Colorguard Rehearsal, 9am-5pm  
3 Wed Colorguard Rehearsal, 9am-5pm  
4 Thurs **ROOKIE CAMP** noon - 4:00 ← *All new marching members need to come to Rookie Camp to learn our style of marching.*  
5 Fri **ROOKIE CAMP** noon - 4:00  
6 Sat **ROOKIE CAMP** noon - 4:00  
7 Sun

8 Mon **FULL BAND CAMP** 8:30 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
**New 9th Grade Parent Meeting**, 6:30 pm ← *All parents who are new to the Evergreen Marching Band should attend this meeting.*  
9 Tues **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
10 Wed **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
11 Thurs **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
12 Fri **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00

15 Mon **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
**FULL PARENT MEETING**, 6:30 pm, EHS Aud.  
16 Tues **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
17 Wed **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
18 Thurs **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
19 Fri **FULL BAND CAMP** 9 - noon, 1:00 - 4:00, 5:30 - 8:00  
**PREMIERE PERFORMANCE AND POTLUCK**  
20 Sat



## INFORMATION

Click on the following links:

- [Online Calendar](#)
- [Fundraising Information](#)
- [How Can I Volunteer?](#)
- [Pictures](#)
- [Downloads](#)
- [Drill and Music Downloads](#)
- [Who do I contact?](#)



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*Band and Colorguard*

*Vancouver, WA*

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6/1/11

To Whom It May Concern,

The members of the Evergreen High School Marching Band are working to fund their 2011 Fall competitive season. As we all know, fundraising has become increasingly difficult, and we are looking for additional funds for worthy students who have financial need. The community has been wonderful in the past by supporting the band in its effort to be a strong community service organization. In past years, the EHS Marching Band took the Sweepstakes Award for being judged the best band in both the Portland Starlight Parade and the Grand Floral Parade, traveled to Hawaii to represent our state in a World War II Memorial Service, and performed as the Washington representative in the 2009 Presidential Inaugural Parade in Washington DC! We are proud to represent the Evergreen community and appreciative of their support of our hard work!

At this time the students in the band are trying to raise \$300 each to help fund our fall season marching band competitive season. Your consideration of a donation to help sponsor a student is greatly appreciated. The music skills acquired in marching band, as well as the opportunity to build tomorrow's leaders, make the EHS marching band an important part of the education of our students.

Any donation you are able to make is greatly appreciated. Please fill out the Sponsorship form, make all checks payable to EHS Band Boosters, and send it to:

Evergreen High School  
Band Program - Sponsorships  
PO Box 87098  
Vancouver, WA 98687-7098

Make checks out to:  
Evergreen B&CG Boosters

Once again, thank you for all of your support!

Sincerely,

Stephen Kuske  
Director of Bands

Danny Orrantia  
Director of Bands

# Sponsorship Donation

YES! I would like to support the  
Evergreen High School Marching Band and Colorguard!

Name of Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Donor \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

This donation is made to support the following member:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(leave blank if you would like it to go into our scholarship fund)*

Please send this form, with the donation, to the following address:

Evergreen High School  
Band and Colorguard Boosters  
PO Box 87098  
Vancouver, WA 98687-7098

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE EVERGREEN BAND PROGRAM**

**Note:**

Your sponsorship payment on behalf of the Evergreen High School Band & Colorguard Boosters may be tax deductible as provided in Section 170 of the IRS Code. Evergreen High School Band & Colorguard Boosters is a Washington Corporation and a (501) c-3 not for profit fund raising organization. Our EIN is 91-1875588. Evergreen High School Band & Colorguard Boosters is not a tax advisor. Please consult your tax advisor, CPA, or tax attorney for tax information and deduction qualifications. Please keep a copy of this form for your records.

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 **McKenzie Classics** 

Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 2011

Evergreen High School

Vancouver, Washington

**The finest Marching bands from around the Pacific Northwest will compete and showcase their talents to spectators and supporters.**

## **Program Ad Sales Order Form**

**(A portion of your purchase goes toward the selling student's account)**

The following Ads/Sponsorship Packages are available for the 2011 Fall Program.

**1. BACK COVER PACKAGE - \$300**

- Full Page B/W Ad
- 3 Trophy Sponsorships
- 4 Complimentary Admissions (tickets will be held at the will-call booth)
- Public Address Acknowledgements
- Banner Signage at the Stadium (banner provided by the business)
- Business Listing/Logo link on the Evergreen Band Booster website-  
[www.ehsboosters.com](http://www.ehsboosters.com) thru June 2012.

**2. MEAL SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE - \$250 (3 AVAILABLE)**

- Full Page B/W Ad
- 1 Trophy Sponsorship
- 2 Complimentary Admissions (tickets will be held at the will-call booth)
- Business Logo on Concession Menu
- Banner Signage at the Stadium (banner provided by the business)
- Business Listing/Logo link on the Evergreen Band Booster website-  
[www.ehsboosters.com](http://www.ehsboosters.com) thru June 2012.

**3. INTERMISSION SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE - \$250 (3 AVAILABLE)**

- Full Page B/W Ad
- 1 Trophy Sponsorship
- 2 Complimentary Admissions (tickets will be held at the will-call booth)
- Public Address Acknowledgement during designated Intermission  
(business may submit written advertising copy for announcer to read)
- Banner Signage at the Stadium (banner provided by the business)
- Business Listing/Logo link on the Evergreen Band Booster website-  
[www.ehsboosters.com](http://www.ehsboosters.com) thru June 2012.

# Program Ad Sales Order Form - Continued

**(A portion of your purchase goes toward the selling student's account)**

4. TROPHY SPONSORSHIP - \$35

- Your business (or family name) will be listed in the program as a trophy sponsor and announced during presentation of the trophy.

5. CONGRATS AD - \$25

- This is a great and inexpensive way for parents, friends and family to say congratulations to their special marching band or colorguard student. You create your own ¼ page BW ad (3 1/4" x 4 1/2") with a photo and personalized message.

## OTHER ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

Full Page B/W	(7"x10")	\$150
Half Page B/W	(7"x4 1/2")	\$100
Quarter Page B/W	(3 1/4"x 4 1/2")	\$ 60
Business Card		\$ 40

Send completed form, check payable to EHS Band Boosters and camera-ready ad or jpeg ads can also be emailed to: Charlette Dinsdale at [ehsboosters.sales@gmail.com](mailto:ehsboosters.sales@gmail.com)

**AD AND PAYMENT ARE DUE BY October 1<sup>st</sup> 2011**

Ads received after the due date will be published  
in the 2010 McKenzie Classic program.

Evergreen Band Boosters  
PO Box 87098  
Vancouver, WA 98687  
Attn: McKenzie Ads

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trophy                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Congrats Ad              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Page              | <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter Page             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Half Page              | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Card            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meal Sponsorship       | <input type="checkbox"/> Intermission Sponsorship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back Cover Sponsorship |   |

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Seller (Student) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*FOR YOUR STUDENT TO RECEIVE THE PROPER CREDIT TO THEIR ACCOUNT – THEIR NAME AND THE BUSINESS THE AD IS SOLD TO MUST BE FILLED OUT AND NOTED ON THE PAYMENT.\*\***

The Evergreen High School Marching Band & Colorguard and Boosters thank you for your  
support!

Questions can be directed to Charlette Dinsdale at [Ehsboosters.sales@gmail.com](mailto:Ehsboosters.sales@gmail.com)