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Dear Parents and Cardinal Music Members:

We are extremely excited that preparations have begun for another great year. We look forward to working with all of you and expect this coming year to be a tremendous success.

The new year will officially begin, with a Kickoff Meeting. I would like all students and at least one parent to attend this meeting which will be on Monday, July 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the New Gym. The meeting location may change, we are trying to implement something slightly different for this coming year. If the meeting location does change, I will send out an email letting everyone know more details. At this meeting I will cover the calendar for the year. This meeting will also give everyone a chance to get acquainted and re-acquainted. The entire band council and staff will be introduced and I will answer any questions that arise. I have also scheduled an exercise program for the week of July 11.

Exercise Program

It is imperative that all students are in good physical condition. Because of the work that we do in marching band, the students are required to be out in the heat and do strenuous, physical activity. It is important that their bodies are well-adjusted. Many of our current students are asking for us to continue this program so everyone will be in better physical condition for the rigors of marching season. For that reason, we will have a one-week physical training program starting on Monday, July 11. The program will last one-hour and run from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. each weekday. We have come up with a program that fits our needs. The great thing about this program is that each individual can do it at their own pace, thus I expect each student to be at a different level. We also plan on doing the exercises and look forward to getting in better shape. Please bring a water bottle!

Band Camp will again be held this year at E.D. White. The camp will begin on Tuesday, July 12, 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. We resume camp on Monday, July 18, noon - 10:00 p.m. We will go over a full schedule at the Kickoff Meeting in July. Band camp will run the same way as it did in the past. Students are to arrive at camp having eaten lunch already. Students will also need to bring their own dinner and are not allowed to leave campus to pick up food. The last day of camp (Friday, July 22) we will prepare food and have a guest speaker for the students in the afternoon. We will again be bringing in outside staff members to help with the camp, and we will be using the facilities at E.D. White. Anyone interested in volunteering at band camp (i.e. preparing food/cooking for Friday July 22, helping serve drinks, snacks, etc.) will have an opportunity to sign up at the Kickoff Meeting. All volunteers must be safe environment trained. As always, your help as parents is appreciated and necessary to the success of this program.

A medical form is attached. Please return this Emergency Medical Information/Release Form to at the kickoff meeting Monday, July 11, 2022 so that we can have this information on file in case of an emergency at the start of band camp.

There is a book that we require all wind players (non-percussionists) to have. All wind players and the auxiliary members who are enrolled in the band class need it for the first day of school. The book is titled “Foundations for Superior Performance – Warmups and Technique” by Richard Williams and Jeff King. The book may be purchased at Hofman Music.

I have listed below the schedule for the summer. All of these are **mandatory**, however, I realize that you may be out of town on vacation or involved in other camps. **If there will be a problem with you making any of these rehearsals or band camp, please e-mail me.** The best way to contact me is through email.

If you are in the percussion or colorguard, you will be contacted separately about rehearsals before the Kickoff Meeting.

Remember, all of the dates below are mandatory. If you cannot make these summer rehearsals or band camp, please e-mail me as soon as possible. (ldaigle@hdiocese.org)

2022 Summer Schedule

July 11-15	Monday - Friday	8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Exercise Program (see above)
July 11	Monday	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Kickoff Meeting – New Gym
		7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Leadership Team Meeting
July 12-15	Tuesday - Friday	5:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Band Camp begins
July 17	Sunday	TBA	Mass at TBA
July 18-21	Monday- Thursday	12:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Band Camp
(A more detailed schedule will be given at the Kickoff meeting)			
July 22	Friday	12:00 – 6:30 p.m.	6 p.m. Show Off Performance
August 2	Tuesday	3:15 – 5:30 p.m.	Full band rehearsal
August 4	Thursday	3:15 – 5:30 p.m.	Full band rehearsal
August 9	Tuesday	3:15 – 4:30 p.m.	Band Pictures (First day of classes)
August 11	Thursday	3:15 – 5:30 p.m.	Tuesday/Thursday rehearsals begin

We are looking forward to an outstanding year. With a positive attitude and a lot of hard work, everything is possible. If you need to reach us during the summer, please email me. If it is an emergency, call me at 985-414-2181. **Finally, if anyone has decided not to join band, please let me know as soon as possible.** If I do not hear from you by Monday, June 6, 2022, I will assume that you are in band and have a spot in the marching show.

Have a safe and happy summer!

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