



Upbeat Notes



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Dates to Remember

8/3-14	Marching Band Pre-camp (M-F)
8/5 & 6	Sr/Jr MB uniform fitting/ button photos taken
8/10 & 11	So/Fr MB uniform fitting/ button photos taken
8/13	LE Upbeat Club Meeting 7:30 p.m. @LEHS Band Room
8/15	Mattress Sale
8/16-20	Band Camp at Wright State
8/26	First Day of School
9/4	Home Football Game vs Glen Este
9/12	Tag Day
9/19-20	Ottawa-Glandorf Contes/Cedar Point
9/25	Home Football Game vs Princeton Freshman Night
10/1	Away Football Game vs Oak Hills (televised on Fox Sports)
10/3	OSU Buckeye Invitational Contest
10/9	Home Football Game vs Middletown Homecoming
10/17	Marion Local Contest
10/23	Home Football Game vs Sycamore Senior Night
10/24	Springfield Shawnee Contest
10/30	Home Football Game vs West
10/31	OMEA State MB Finals, Dublin, OH
11/4	Marching Band Concert @LEHS

MB=Marching Band • CB=Concert Bands • JB=Jazz Bands

Check for updated event listings at:
LakotaEastBands.org

Camp Check-in

Student check-in for band camp will be on Sunday, August 16 as follows. The staggered times help us make shorter lines and more efficient check-in.

Seniors	12:30 p.m.
Juniors	1:15 p.m.
Sophomores	2:00 p.m.

Band Camp Updates

Mark Your Calendars

- 8/3 Pre-Camp begins. Be at LEHS ready to begin at 7:15 a.m.
- 8/16-21 Band Camp at Wright State University (WSU). Each student should bring one or two two-liters of pop to band camp.

Forms

Please send these completed forms with your student the first week of pre-camp.

- Wright State University Assumption of Risk and Release
- Lakota East Marching Thunderhawks Contract
- Student Pledge (band director copy)
- Lakota School District Emergency Medical Authorization Form with student's picture attached
- Lakota East Upbeat Club Information Form (optional)

If you need copies of the forms, they can be found in the Lakota East Marching Thunderhawks Handbook 2009. Extra copies will also be available at pre-camp.

Note: School Medication Permits will be turned into the band nurse at check-in on the first day of band camp at WSU.

Fees

We want everyone to participate, so please pay your fees if you haven't already done so.

Instrumentalists: \$400 Guard: \$370

Send payments to: LEUC, P.O. Box 1686, West Chester, OH 45071

Marching Band Parent Meeting

Niederman Family Farm Picnic Shelter on Friday, 8/14 at 7:00 p.m.

5110 LeSourdesville-West Chester Road, Liberty Township

Please bring cookies or a bag of snacks to share.

Chaperone Meeting

Niedermann's Farm Picnic Shelter on Friday, 8/14 at 6:30 (just before the parent meeting)

Donations Needed

In an effort to keep costs down, please consider donating any of the following items for band camp. (Simply bring them along to the parent meeting or send to pre-camp with your student.)

- Gatorade powder
- 9 – 12 oz plastic cups (please no Styrofoam)
- Bags and bags of chips, pretzels, Doritos, etc.

Volunteers Still Needed

Chaperones If you have two or more nights available, please consider joining the fun! Thanks to all who have already volunteered.

Check-in at Wright State We also need help getting students checked in on Sunday, 8/16, from approximately 10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Email Linda Lowe or Suzanne Roy to volunteer (see emails below).

Feel free to contact Linda or Suzanne questions about band camp or to sign up to chaperone.

Linda Lowe lklowe@fuse.net 755 - 0899
Suzanne Roy sroy@cinci.rr.com 779 – 7411

Upbeat Club Leadership 2009-2010

For a full list of committee contacts, visit our web site: www.lakotaeastbands.org

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August Fundraisers

TGI Fridays Look for a card during the week of August 10-13. Present the card to your server at Friday's on Cox Road for either lunch or dinner and Upbeat Club will receive a portion of your meal price. This will be available any day Monday through Thursday of that week. Get a great meal with a bonus for the Upbeat Club! We are also working on a fundraising day with Graeter's. Details will be forthcoming.

Mattress Sale Don't forget the Mattress Sale on August 15 at the high school. This is a great way to help make some great money for the Upbeat Club. We'll also ask students and parents to distribute flyers advertising this sale. If you can hang one at your place of business or church, it will greatly help to spread the word.

Entertainment Books will be distributed to students at Pre-Camp. We'll be on the forefront of the new book year so be sure to advise your friends and neighbors to purchase their book from you!

TAG DAY is coming September 12!

Please set aside this date to help our band students go door to door to solicit funds for our uniform fund. All band members are required to participate in Tag Day. Tag Day funds are used to support the bands throughout the year—primarily for uniform expenses, i.e. cleaning, purchasing new uniforms, and a long term fund for replacement uniforms for the entire band. Many volunteers are needed. Contact Susan Joa at 779-6773.

Marching Band Schedule Change

Please note that the band *will not be performing at the Centerville away game on 8/28* as originally scheduled, *but will be performing at the Oak Hills away game on Thursday, 10/1* because that game is to be televised on FSNOhio.

Symphonic Winds Selected

The Symphonic Winds have been selected to participate in the "Music for All" National Concert Band Festival in Indianapolis on March 4-6, 2010. The cost will be \$419.00 plus transportation. Congratulations on this honor.





Please remember to use those Kroger Cards!
If you need one, contact Jennifer Moak
at 759-0280 or moakaday@fuse.net

HELP WANTED!
Drivers with CDL license to drive the band truck during the Marching Band season.
Volunteers willing to fill in as Pit Crew substitutes as needed.
If you can help please contact:
Tim Elliot 779-6874 or clre@fuse.net
Bob Meyer 482-0136 or kzer93@aol.com

Important Uniform Information

Marching Band uniform fittings will be held on four nights during precamp. Pictures for photo buttons (provided by the East Upbeat Club) will also be taken on these nights. Please bring your instrument for the photo. We need to have all students in a uniform by Thursday, August 13, as that is the date the large group picture will be taken in the stands out at the football field. We would like everyone to make every effort possible to attend on their assigned evening. Mark the appropriate date and time on your calendar now to avoid conflicts when the time comes. **Field Commanders and Color Guard will have their own fitting schedule and will not have fittings on these evenings, but will need to come and put on their uniforms for photo button pictures.**

Please come dressed to try on the uniform—in soft gym shorts, bike shorts or boxers as shorts—NO denim or cargo shorts or long pants. Also you will need to be wearing a white t-shirt with sleeves—NO tanks, sleeveless shirts or camisoles. Drumline: if you wear a harness under your jacket you will need to have that on when you try on your jacket to get the proper fit.

August 5, Wednesday Seniors will try on uniforms.

6:00 p.m. Last names A - G
6:45 p.m. Last names H - N
7:30 p.m. Last names O - Z

August 6, Thursday Juniors will try on uniforms.

6:00 p.m. Last names A - F
6:45 p.m. Last names G - L
7:30 p.m. Last names M - Z

August 10 - 11, Monday and Tuesday Sophomores and Freshmen will try on uniforms.

August 10, Monday

6:00 p.m. Last names A - F
7:15 p.m. Last names G - L

August 11, Tuesday

6:00 p.m. Last names M - R
7:15 p.m. Last names S - Z

Parents: if you will be driving your student and need to wait for them, please wait in the band room. We will be doing the fittings in the jazz room and it will be very crowded. We will try to move as quickly as possible, but we want to ensure the best fit for every student and it may take some time.

If you have any questions please contact Jenny Prather or Cathy Elliott, Uniform Co-Chairs. Cathy will be at pre-camp every morning or you can email or call:

Jenny Kpra721363@aol.com 779-0586
Cathy clre@fuse.net 779-6874

We will also need help with these fittings and throughout the marching and concert season. Please contact us if you are able to help or for more information. Thanks for your cooperation in getting our Marching Thunderhawks looking their best!

Upbeat Club Spending Policy

Any item explicitly described in the current fiscal year approved budget does not require additional approval prior to purchasing provided that the spending for the said item occurs within the current fiscal year and that the amount does not exceed the approved budgeted amount. If the amount exceeds the approved budgeted amount, two club officers can provide approval for spending up to an additional twenty percent not to exceed \$500. (An example of an explicitly budgeted item is the marching band drill design.)

Any item implicitly described in the current fiscal year approved budget does not require additional approval prior to purchasing provided that the spending for the said item occurs within the current fiscal year and that the total amount spent for a category does not exceed the approved budgeted amount. (An example of an implicitly budgeted item would be purchasing a guard flag that falls under the category of marching band guard props.)

For any purchase that requires advance spending prior to receiving reimbursement, two club officers must provide approval. The two club officers must agree that the advance purchase is for legitimate band business, understand how the money is to be repaid, and decide from what category money will be taken to cover any amount not recovered from reimbursement. One example of advance spending is the paying of a deposit for transportation for a band trip. The money will be reimbursed by collecting money for the trip from students. Another example of advance spending is the purchase of tickets for a band related event of interest to our students. It may be advantageous to prepay for tickets due to timing and discounts available with the expectation that reimbursement will come from the students purchasing a ticket.

For all other cases such as unbudgeted purchases or special situations, two club officers can give approval to spend up to and including \$500. When the amount is over \$500, an executive committee meeting can be called by the president or vice president in the absence of the president provided that five or more members are present to give approval to spend up to and including \$1000. All other spending must be approved by a vote by the club membership at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Certain types of expenses associated with fund raisers can be considered implicitly approved based upon the nature of the fund raiser. For example, if the club decides to sell coupon books, it is understood that the club will be purchasing books for sale per the fund raiser. If other miscellaneous types of spending are required for a fund raiser such as advertising, spending should follow the stipulations specified in this spending policy.

All spending that required additional approvals should be communicated at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Failure to follow the stipulations set forth in this spending policy may result in the individual not being reimbursed by the club for spending on behalf of the club. This spending policy will be distributed to all officers, committee chairpersons, and directors at the start of each fiscal year. *This spending policy shall be posted on the club's web site and published in the Upbeat Notes in February and August of each year.* (Adopted January 20, 2005)

Fourth of July, 2009

