



Upbeat Notes



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Dates to Remember

7/4	4th of July Parade Meet at LE at 9 a.m.
7/11	Scrip Order Due contact Ann Kilyk
7/16	LE Upbeat Club Meeting 7:30 p.m. @LEHS Band Room
7/27-31	Percussion/Auxiliary Camp
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
8/28	Football Game
9/12	Tag Day
9/19-20	Cedar Point (tentative date)
10/3	Buckeye Invitational



HELP WANTED!

Drivers with CDL license to drive the band truck during the Marching Band season.

If you can help please contact:

Tim Elliot
779-6874 or clre@fuse.net

Bob Meyer
482-0136 or kzer93@aol.com

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

Check for updated event listings at:
LakotaEastBands.org

July 4th Parade

Once again, the LEHS Marching Band will participate in the Liberty Township Parade. All 2009–10 Marching Band members who are in town are expected to participate. Arrive at the East band room by 9:00 a.m.

Uniform will be white East band shirt (rookie shirt or the previous year's show shirt), black shorts, white socks and white gym shoes. The parade will end at the park behind the YMCA on Yankee. All band alumni are invited to participate. Spread the word among your band friends! Music for the parade will be the Fight Song.

Band Camp News

Band Camp 2009 is fast approaching. Thanks to all of the chaperones who have already volunteered. However, we still have a few more slots to fill for both the girls and the boys dorms.

Please consider spending 2 to 5 nights up a Wright State between Sunday, August 16 and Friday, August 21. We can sure use your help.

Last payment is due on July 15th (\$100 for instrumentalists, \$70 for Field Commanders & Auxiliary members).

Please send your check (made payable to LEUC) to P.O. Box 1686, West Chester, Ohio 45071-1686.

If you would like to use student account funds, please e-mail the treasurer at leuctreasurer@yahoo.com to request a transfer.

Stayed tuned for information regarding the Marching Band Parent Meeting which will take place the week before band camp.

Remember to get those medical forms completed this summer!

If you want to sign up to chaperone or just need more information on band camp (or chaperoning – hint, hint), please email or call

Linda Lowe lklowe@fuse.net 755 - 0899

Suzanne Roy sroy@cinci.rr.com 779 - 7411

Super-Easy Ways to Help the Band

- Donate disposable cups to be used during band camp. A list of other items needed for camp will be distributed soon.
- Become a Band Program Patron. Check the website for more information: www.lakotaeastbands.org/patrons.htm
- Get and use a Kroger Gift Card. Contact Jennifer Moak at 759-0280 or moakaday@fuse.net
- Come to the Marching Band contests and football games.
- Participate in the Split-the-Pot raffles.

Upbeat Club Leadership 2009-2010

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

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From the President

Hello East Band Families,

I would like to thank everyone who volunteered for a position for the 2009–2010 Upbeat Club Officers and Committee Chairs. We are a mix of new and returning, and we are looking forward to a great year. I also want to thank the previous Officers/Committee Chairs whom have moved on. All of your work has not gone unappreciated.

Thanks to each and every parent/family that has volunteered to help in any way. A group this big, that supports so many student musicians, requires many helpers. I have met many friends through the music program, since we moved here five years ago. I have hated to see the end of marching season the last two years, because it meant that I would be seeing some people less often. I would encourage everyone to volunteer in some way. You will be working with a great group of people!

It is already the third week of summer break and marching band pre-camp will be here before we know it. We don't have a Hawaii Trip to look forward to (thank goodness!) but I am sure the upcoming year will provide enough excitement for all of us!

I encourage anyone to contact me with your questions. If I don't know the answer, I will direct you to someone who hopefully will. I can well remember what it felt like to have a new marcher or a new freshman in concert band. There are many veteran parents who are fonts of information and they would love to help put you at ease.

The next Upbeat meeting is July 16 at 7:30 in the East Band room. I encourage you all to join us. And everyone, please, please use those Kroger Cards! —Ann Kilyk, LEUC President

Fundraising

Welcome to our new Fundraising Chair, Jennifer Moak. If you have any questions about Upbeat Club fundraisers, Jennifer can be reached at 759-0280 or moakaday@fuse.net

Upcoming Fundraisers

July Scrip Order	July Scrip orders are due by July 11 and will be distributed back by July 18. Contact Ann Kilyk at 777-4377 if you would like to order in July. An explanation of the scrip program, links to the order form, and available gift cards can be found in the fundraising area of the lakotaeastbands.org website.
Mattress Sale	Saturday, August 15
Kroger Cards	Ongoing Please remember to use those Kroger cards. You can pre-load them and then use them for your regular gas and groceries. Upbeat receives 4 percent of these purchases.
LaRosa's Buddy Cards	Ongoing Cards are \$10 each and are good through April, 2010.
Entertainment Books	To be distributed (most likely) at Band Camp.
2	Also, Keep your eyes open for restaurant partner nights during Pre-camp in August.



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!

Parent Communication

Where to Find the Latest Band News

We just wanted to remind everyone about the communication sources we use in the Lakota East Band Program. These news sources will help you stay informed all year long, and hopefully will provide you with timely information to help you schedule and plan the many great band events that happen in this program.

Newsletters The *Upbeat Notes* is the main newsletter for the East band program. The Upbeat Notes is e-mailed 11 times a year and can also be found online on the "News Board."

www.lakotaeastbands.org is the Lakota East Upbeat Club website. We encourage everyone to get into the habit of checking the site weekly for information about the upcoming band activities. Last minute information can be found on the website, so please check the web often during our busy band season. The website will be updated weekly on a regular schedule, but will have any urgent and last minute news posted as needed.

These news sources are meant to keep you informed, and we welcome feedback of information you believe would be beneficial to include on the website or in the *Upbeat Notes*. Please send your suggestions to Chereé Gallant at cgallant@cinci.rr.com

Marching Band Handbook

Handbooks were distributed to students at the end of the school year. Please make sure you get this from your student. The handbook contains forms needed for band camp as well as all key information about Marching Band.

It is also available on our website (www.lakotaeastbands.org).