



DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BAND OF VIKINGS MARCHING BAND 2009-2010 SEASON

What is the BOV (Band of Vikings)?

The DHS Marching Band is an all-volunteer, extra-curricular music group that serves several purposes. This volunteer group will draw only the most dedicated and motivated students, resulting in a marching band that has the desire to strive for the next level of quality performance.

The Band provides half-time entertainment at all home varsity football games, as well as acting as a spirit unit. The Band also travels to a number of marching band competitions throughout the fall. Furthermore, the Band supplements community events with its participation in local parades and functions. The Marching Band plays a vital role in raising morale throughout the Danville Community.

Why should I be in the DHS Marching Band?

The real question should really be: Why *shouldn't* you be part of it? The Band provides positive experiences musically, socially, and on a personal level. It provides students with the opportunity to perform in a quality ensemble and to be challenged both musically and physically at the same time. Few activities teach you as many concepts at once as the marching band. As a member, you will learn to improve yourself in the areas of musicianship, personal responsibility, discipline, social interaction, and physical coordination.

As an incoming freshman, the band provides the chance for you to get to know sophomores, juniors, and seniors before the first day of school. The older students are extremely willing to help out their fellow band members find classes, find lockers, with homework, and any other problems you may encounter along the way. The band provides you with a STRONG social support group right from day one to help ensure your success at Danville High School.

In addition, you may qualify for a one semester P.E. waiver with your participation in the BOV.

What time commitments are involved?

Attached in this packet is a list of performance and rehearsal dates. Most rehearsals are right after school from 3-5PM. Attached is a *tentative* calendar for the fall. We perform at all home football games and 4 to 5 competitions. As a member of the band, we expect the commitment from you to attend ALL performances, as the success of the ensemble depends on the contributions of everyone. In addition, your attendance at rehearsals is vital to your success because new material will often be learned. This is a TEAM activity in which all members are essential. All members have a place and a function in creating a complete performance.

What is the attendance policy?

You are expected to attend everything on the attached schedule. There will be days that rehearsals are **not** scheduled. Please take care of doctor appointments, senior photos, etc. on those days. An absence will only be excused if you have an excused absence from school that day, or if you notify Mr. Leeb at this point in time that you have a prior commitment (this should be indicated, in writing, on your commitment form). Any student with *two unexcused absences* from rehearsals will NOT receive a P.E. waiver. Any student with *one unexcused absence* from a performance will NOT receive a P.E. waiver. Any student with *more than five absences* will NOT receive a P.E. waiver. Missing more than 30 minutes from any rehearsal will constitute an absence.

What if I have a conflict with a rehearsal or performance?

We all realize and understand that sometimes, unavoidable conflicts occur, especially with other school events and activities. The DHS Bands have a very good working relationship with the Administration, Athletic Department, and Faculty, and we are always willing to work together to compromise on conflicts. By signing the Marching Band Commitment Form, **we are expecting that you have checked the attached calendar with your personal calendar, and will retain the calendar for future reference.** Use the calendar well in advance to help *avoid* conflicts. Please schedule appointments at other times. The Band Department respects your time and will *rarely* change from this schedule that is issued MONTHS in advance. In return, please respect the Marching Band's rehearsal and performance times and make it a point to be at every rehearsal from beginning to end. If a conflict arises, solutions can be worked out with plenty of **advance notice**. The Band Department strives to be organizationally efficient. Please do not make the Band Department suffer because of others' poor planning. Respect prior commitments and attend scheduled rehearsals.

We want to work with all of the students to help them resolve conflicts, and help each student become more organized in scheduling their busy lives. We expect students to fulfill their commitments to the marching band, and we *expect the parents to help teach their children about keeping a commitment*. Since all circumstances are different please do not assume that an absence is excused without discussion with the director.

How much does it cost?

The fee for marching band is \$135.00. You will also be asked to buy specific marching band shoes (ordered through us) that will cost approximately \$25. This is potentially a one time purchase (depending on your growth). Along the way there may be additional costs for extra trips or events. Percussionists may be expected to pay fees for sticks or mallets, and guard members may be expected to pay some additional uniform costs.

What if I don't know how to march?

Well, you didn't know how to walk at one point in your life, but you learned how! The Band has a number of top-notch instructors along with experienced veterans of the Marching Band. You will be taught through methodical instruction all the necessities of becoming an expert marcher.

Do I have to audition?

Plain and simple. No. As long as you are a member of the DHS Music Department, we've got a spot for you. You do need to be enrolled in a curricular music class here at DHS.

When is the deadline?

The commitment form is due on Friday, May 29. Only those students that return their registration packet and signed commitment form will be guaranteed a spot. The show must be written for an EXACT number of students, and therefore we must know our numbers at that time.

I hope this has answered your questions about the 2009-2010 season for the DHS BOV. If you have any questions, please call the Band Office at 217-444-1541, or e-mail Mr. Leeb at MaestroLeeb@danville.k12.il.us

Everyone wants to be a member of an organization where he or she has value, is wanted and needed, plays a vital role in the success of the group, and is recognized for his or her contribution. With your participation, you are helping to set the stage for years to come. If you haven't been a part of it before, now is the time to start. *If you were a member of the Marching Band last year, then we need your skill and expertise to help give others the experience you've already had!!*

Danville High School

Band of Vikings

2009-2010 Tentative Marching Band Schedule

Tue., June 9	5PM-8PM	Mini-Camp Rehearsal
Mon., Aug. 3	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Tue., Aug. 4	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Wed., Aug. 5	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Thur., Aug. 6	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Fri., Aug. 7	9AM-Noon	Band Camp Rehearsal
Fri. Aug. 7	Noon-	Trip to DCI Semi-Finals in Indianapolis (voluntary)
Mon., Aug. 10	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Tue., Aug. 11	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Wed., Aug. 12	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Thur., Aug. 13	9AM-4PM	Band Camp Rehearsal
Thur. Aug. 13	6PM	Parent Preview
Fri., Aug. 14	TBA	Band Dance
Tue., Aug. 18	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Aug. 20	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Tue., Aug. 25	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Aug. 26	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Aug. 27	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Aug. 28	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Mon., Aug. 31	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Tue., Sept. 1	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Sept. 2	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Sept. 3	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Sept. 4	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Mon. Sept. 7	TBA	Labor Day Parade
Tue., Sept. 8	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Sept. 9	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Sept. 10	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Sept. 11	TBA	Home Football Game vs. Centennial
Sat., Sept. 12	TBA	Event TBA
Mon. Sept. 14	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Tue., Sept. 15	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Sept. 16	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Sept. 17	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Sept. 18	TBA	Home Football Game vs. Normal West
Sat., Sept. 19	All Day	Viking Invitational
Mon. Sept. 21	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Tue., Sept. 22	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Sept. 23	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Sept. 24	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Sept. 25	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal

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Sat., Sept. 26	TBA	EIU competition
Mon. Sept. 28	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Tue., Sept. 29	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Sept.30	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Oct. 1	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Oct. 2	TBA	Home Football vs. MacArthur
Mon., Oct. 5	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Tue., Oct. 6	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Oct. 7	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Oct. 8	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Oct.9	Institute Day, no rehearsal	
Mon., Oct. 12	Columbus Day, no rehearsal	
Tue., Oct. 13	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Oct. 14	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Oct. 15	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Fri., Oct. 16	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Sat., Oct. 17	TBA	U of I Competition
Mon., Oct. 19	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Tue., Oct. 20	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Wed., Oct. 21	3PM-5PM	Rehearsal
Thur., Oct. 22	No rehearsal, Parent/Teacher Conferences	
Fri., Oct. 23	TBA	Home Football vs. Urbana
Sat., Oct 24	TBA	Mahomet-Seymour Competition

Retain this calendar and place it someplace where EVERYONE in the family will have access. It is incredibly important that family members communicate with each other so that BOV members can follow through on their commitment.

*2009-2010 Danville High School
Marching Band
Commitment Form*

By signing this form, it is understood that BOTH parent/guardian and student have read, in its entirety, this packet, including the calendar. By signing this form, you are committing to your participation in the 2009-2010 Danville High School Marching Band

Name _____

Instrument _____ '09-'10 grade _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Student Email _____

Parent Names _____

Parent Email _____

T-Shirt Size S M L XL XXL

Please see the following page for fee information

I have read through the BOV Marching Band info packet, and I understand that in registering for marching band I will agree to abide by the stated policies, as well as the rules that exist in the Danville High School Handbook

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____

Please return no later than May 29, 2009

Fees - Check all that apply

Marching Band Fee _____ \$135.00 (all members pay)

Shoes _____ \$25.00 (new members need these)

Color Guard _____ \$150.00 (all guard members/all inclusive)

T-Shirt (worn by all members to all contests) _____ \$0 (Size S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL – circle one)

TOTAL _____

Entire amount enclosed _____ (checks to “DHS Instrumental Music Boosters”)

Monthly payments? _____

NOTE: If you choose monthly payments, those payments will be due on the 1st day of June, July and August. A deposit of \$75 must accompany this intent form. The entire amount can be paid off at any time. Payment of fees is very important towards the support and maintenance of our group. Items not paid for (such as shoes) will not be distributed until paid for. It is our intent that all fees should be taken care of by the start of marching camp on August 3, 2009.

Payments and fees can be either sent to Mr. Leeb at DHS or mailed directly to:

DHS Instrumental Music Boosters
P.O. Box 2353
Danville, IL.
61832

***All arrangements for fees MUST be taken care of by
the beginning of Band Camp!!***

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Medical Authorization Form

Student Name _____

Should it be necessary for my child to have any medical treatment while participating with the BOV, I hereby give Danville School District #118 personnel permission in obtaining service for the child/student. I give my permission to the physician or attending medical technicians selected by the school personnel to render needed medical treatment deemed necessary and appropriate. In addition, the following information is accurate and up to date and I will notify the Band of Vikings Director, *in writing*, of any changes or updates to this information.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

ALLERGIES

SPECIAL MEDICATIONS

PLEASE STATE ANY SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING MEDICAL TREATMENT

MEDICAL INSURANCE _____

POLICY/GROUP# _____

FAMILY DOCTOR _____ **DOCTOR PHONE** _____

HOME PHONE _____

WORK PHONE - MOTHER _____ **WORK PHONE - FATHER** _____

CELL PHONE - MOTHER _____ **CELL PHONE - FATHER** _____

EMERGENCY PHONE _____ **NAME AND RELATIONSHIP** _____
