

# MARCHING BAND PARENT INFORMATION

## 2011-2012

The time has come to begin preparing for our 2011-2012 school year. If your child is between grades 7-12, they are eligible to be members of the **Bourbon County Marching Band**. \*High school students are required to be members of the marching band, if they wish to be in the band program.

The success of the marching program is growing each year. This is due to the student's dedication and the parent's involvement. In 2010 we had another amazing season. We placed **2nd** at the KMEA(State) Championships, and **1st** at the Bands of America Grand National Championships! That is correct. We were **National Champions** in our class, again!!!!!! **WE WOULD LIKE TO REPEAT THIS NEXT YEAR, BUT WE NEED YOU!**

Each year, our goal is to improve from previous years. (Not just in trophies won, but in attitude, pride, and the financial needs of the program. We now have great attitudes, tons of pride, and are growing close to our goals of finance. In the past 4 years, the boosters raised enough money to purchase a larger trailer and a nice truck to haul our equipment to all of the contests.

The cost for being a member of the 2011-2012 Marching Band is **\$400**. This covers all bussing, instructor fees, hotel rooms (for your child), and food at every contests. \*\*\*\*\*An additional **\$50** will be **deducted** from the fees if your child was selected for **District band!!!!** Also, if your child makes **All-State Band**, they will only need to pay the hotel and food fee (**\$100-\$150**)!!!!

All **fees** must be **paid** one week before school is out of session (**May 21**). One week after school is out (**June 4**), your child is obligated to fulfill their commitment, because the show designing will begin at that time. \*\*\*\*\*Designing the show takes a great deal of time, so if they decide **after** (**June 4**) to not participate, they will only get a **\$150 refund** (for food and hotel).



Students must bring their lunch or a note stating that they can go to McDonalds, Arbys, or Sonic (no student will be allowed to cross the main highway to towards Walmart). No student will be able to ride with another student (to lunch) unless they ride with him or her to practice.

## Dates for the Fall of 2011

### **Practice Schedule**

The band will practice after school on **Mondays** until 6pm, **Tuesdays** until 7pm, **Thursdays** until 6pm, and **Fridays** until 7pm (if ballgame, we will practice until 5:30 and back in uniform at 7pm).

We will also **play** for all **home football** games and **parents** will sign up for **concessions**.

We will begin **competitions on Saturdays** the week after Labor Day and continue through November 12.

<b>September 10</b>	<b>Contest</b>
<b>September 17</b>	<b>Contest</b>
<b>September 24</b>	<b>Contest at ECU (BOA)</b>
<b>October 1</b>	<b>Mason, Ohio (BOA)</b>
<b>October 8</b>	<b>Pontiac Mich. (BOA)</b>
<b>October 15</b>	<b>Contest</b>
<b>October 22</b>	<b>REGIONALS</b>
<b>October 29</b>	<b>STATE</b>
<b>November 10-12</b>	<b>Nationals in Indianapolis</b>

**SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF WORK, BUT THE  
LESSONS LEARNED ARE WORTH  
EVERY DROP OF SWEAT  
LOST!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

# **JOIN THE FUN!**