



Lake Zurich High School **Band Camp** Newsletter
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Dear LZHS band members and parents:

We hope your summer has been productive, relaxing and fun. This is the final mailing before band camp and includes all the information you should need for the three day camp. We can't wait to see everyone again there! Please let us know if your situation changes. We have a spot for everyone set aside at the camp and we need you there! It is very important that you have registered for band camp on our two dates in June or contacted Kathy Fitzpatrick (kathy.fitzpatrick@omnicell.com) to make arrangements. We've got some great show themes and tunes headed your way-the shows will include music by the Beatles and from Disney, music that you will recognize. We can't wait to have you join us at our best camp yet!

When is Band Camp?

We hope by now you know that band camp is August 2-4 (Wednesday thru Friday) You should have already come in and registered for camp. Please contact Kathy Fitzpatrick if you haven't!! The parents volunteer their time and do not have time to track you down. Also, EVERYONE must check in at High School Band Room at 8:00 a.m On Wednesday, Aug. 2nd at which time we will collect medications, pack the truck and make sure we have everyone. We leave at 9 a.m. sharp!!

Where is Band Camp?

Band Camp is once again at Carthage College in Kenosha, WI. Travel time to Carthage is a few minutes over 1 hour. Map to Carthage: [Directions to Carthage](#) (Take Route 2!!!) This page connects you to a road map and a campus map for you to print out.

What do I need to pay for?

Everyone should have paid their fees and signed all the forms at uniform fittings. However, if for some reason that didn't happen, you should contact myself or Kathy Fitzpatrick (contact above) as soon as possible. Everything is paid for at camp, students shouldn't need their own money except for vending machine snacks.

How do we get to and from Camp?

We take school busses to the camp. We will also have an equipment truck with us for large instruments and suitcases. *You must provide your own transportation home from Kenosha.* (wait, don't panic!) On Friday, August 4th, at 7:00 PM we will perform for the parents. This performance will be informal, but parents should make every attempt to attend and see what has been learned. (IMPORTANT!!-the field is being redone, so the final performance will be on a grass practice field, BRING a LAWN CHAIR! You may also want bug spray. Of course if it NEVER rains again, there won't be any bugs...) Parents will then pack up students and go home. Parents, If you know for sure that you cannot attend, please organize a ride with someone else. Students **CANNOT** drive their own cars to camp.

What should I bring to band camp?

Carthage College will provide:

A 2 single bed dorm room, pillow and blanket.

You need to bring: LINENS!!!! Pillow or pillow case, sheets, or a sleeping bag (DON'T FORGET!)

A SMALL fan-coordinate with your roommate. If it's hot, this is a MUST.

Warm-weather and cool weather clothes

Rain gear (we will march in the rain)

Sunscreen (or you will get burned)

Sunglasses and a Hat

Water bottle (we will have cups of water at breaks)

Toiletries

Bug Spray

*Comfortable tennis shoes (cross-trainer types are best) and white socks

Bathing Suit and Beach towel (Olympic size indoor pool)

Your Instrument

Your lyre (unless you bought one at registration and we didn't have one to give you)

A pencil

Tennis shoes and socks are required for all marching rehearsals!

*Sandals, boots, flip-flops, strappy things, and similar footwear will be **unacceptable for marching** rehearsals.

When is the Preview Concert?

The concert is at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 4th. It will last about one hour. Parents should park down by the north end of the stadium. Print out a map from this link. [Campus Map](#)

BRING A LAWN CHAIR FOR THE CONCERT-we are not in the stadium for this year.

What are the rules?

You have signed a document entitled "Student Expectations" that clearly lays out our expectations and leaves no room for misunderstanding. However, the basic rules that apply are the same as on school property.

1. No alcohol, smoking or illegal substances.

2. No roller blades or skate boards allowed on the camp grounds.

3. There will be a curfew each night and expect everyone to go to sleep. Lights out will be for your safety and your own well-being.

If you do decide to do something stupid, you will be sent home. There will be no tolerance for inappropriate behavior. Come to have fun and learn!

Do we GET to march the whole time?

No! You'll get an itinerary on Wednesday morning. There will be time scheduled for recreation, swimming and relaxing (though never as much as you would like). We also have activities planned in the evenings.

Where can we be reached in case of emergency?

Operations Director for summer camps is Kevin Slonac. The main number to call is 262-551-5801 (8AM-12PM) and you could ask for him. After hours you can call Security at 262-551-5911. Students can bring cell phones with them to the camp as well but they will not be able to use them during rehearsals.

What do I do about medications?

All medications will be given directly to a faculty member at 8:00 AM on Wednesday. Please try to arrive promptly as we would like to get these collected early to minimize confusion. We will have you fill out the daily medication schedule at that time.

Freshmen and New Members:

In addition to band camp, Freshmen and new members will be required to attend two introductory sessions from 8:00-10:00AM on Thursday, July 27 and Monday, July 31 where they will get to know some of the leaders and learn how to march. All **new** members should be there, including percussion (who will then go to sectionals) and guard. New-coming students will feel much more at home and comfortable at Band Camp since they will already know a few upper classmen and basic marching techniques. *These sessions will begin in the band room at the high school.*

Please be there!! If you can't attend, please let one of us know if you haven't already whether or not you plan to attend band camp. **Please be sure to wear tennis shoes to this session.** *Sandals, boots, flip-flops, strappy things, and similar footwear will be unacceptable for marching rehearsals.

Student Leadership Day

Following the newcomer marching day on Monday, July 31, band leaders will stay and discuss leadership techniques and ideas for camp and the rest of the year, as well as making sure we are all ready to go. If you can't make it and haven't done so already, please let Mr. Thompson or Mrs. Conover know by e-mail. It is very important for you to attend. Please try. After we are done, we will head to Mr. Thompson's house for good food and games! It will last until around 4:00. In addition to the leadership "seminar" we will review marching fundamentals and teaching techniques (**wear appropriate footwear**).

Drumline

This is not optional! Drumline will have sectionals and rehearsals July 26/27 & August 1 from 9-12 and July 31 from 8-11am. Plan on being there every day. Freshmen percussion will also need to be at the Freshmen introductory session on July 28 & August 1 at 8:00 AM. After these marching sessions you'll then head to drumline rehearsal. *Rehearsals will be held in the band room at the High School.*

All Students

One more reminder about fittings and band camp registration... You should have taken care of the following items:

1. Get fitted (all)
2. Pay for camp and supplies (mentioned earlier)
3. Turn in School Medication Authorization Form (only for prescription drugs and the same as 8th grade and band trips) A copy of this form is available at http://www.lz95.org/health_dept/health_forms_home.htm. This form needs to be on file with the district.
4. Sign "Student Expectation" Sheet (done at fittings)
5. Sign Field Trip Release Sheet (done at fittings)
6. Sign the Carthage college Registration and Health form (done at fittings)
7. Sign up for a room and roommate (done at fittings)

Car Wash Fun-raiser Aug. 12

We are having our car wash fundraiser again this year. We need everyone's help-it's much more fun with lots of hands working. We really would like to ask everyone to be a part of selling some tickets. We hate the idea of a mandatory fundraiser, but this fundraiser is one of the very few that benefits the band program directly without going to student accounts. The money we raise goes toward all the great things that BBLZ does for

your students. You will hear MUCH more about BBLZ and why this is such an important organization to be behind. Please do your part and buy your 4 car wash tickets for August 12 at \$5 each (\$20). You are free to use them or sell them. Call it either a no stress or clean car fundraiser... We do this fund raiser so the kids can build the camaraderie and work ethic at the car wash, and so everyone can be a part of raising money for our program. With buzz books sales down from their levels 5-10 years ago, this fundraiser really helps everyone out! Our fundraising really goes to supporting everyone, so please participate!

A Note from our Band Boosters of Lake Zurich:

Throughout the year, you will have more questions? Things like: "What time and where are they kids supposed to be marching today? And, by the way, what are they supposed to wear? Is it too late to turn in the poinsettia sales slips? Is there a Jazz Band concert tonight? Jazz Band . . . what's that?! How can I help out? I wonder where can I find fabulous photos of last night's concert? Do the band members have to pay to get in to the football games? Does the band play at home and away games? How do I keep my son/daughter warm/cool/dry/hydrated while marching?

If so, the answers to all of your questions as well as up-to-the-minute happenings can be found on the band boosters website:

www.lakezurichbandboosters.com .

Take one look, and you'll understand!

Finally, thank you for all your cooperation and support. Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we'll see you soon! Practice often-you'll enjoy camp more if you are in shape on your instrument. We look forward to seeing our returning members and meeting all the new members. Don't worry about making friends-we're eager to have you join us and you will feel welcome. You'll be much more confident entering high school for the first time if you're already part of a group that makes up nearly 10% of the school!

Sincerely,

Mr. Thompson and Mrs. Conover, Directors

**DON'T FORGET LINENS & A RIDE HOME FROM CAMP!!!!
PARENTS-BRING A CHAIR to the Performance!**

Lake Zurich HS

Tentative BAND CAMP SCHEDULE 2017

Wednesday, August 2

7:30-9:00	Finish Registrations and Pack Truck	HS	
9:00	Depart for Carthage College	HS	
10:30-11:00	Arrive, Check in dorms		
10:50AM	Leaders Meeting		Gym
11:00-12PM	Playing Rehearsal		Gym
11:00-12PM	Guard Rehearsal	TARC	
12:00PM	Lunch	Dining Hall	
12:45PM	Sectionals	???	
12:45-1:30PM	Guard Rehearsal		Gym
1:30PM	Marching Rehearsal (w/instruments)	Main Field	
4:30PM	Dinner	Dining Hall	
6:00-7:00PM	Sectionals	???	
7:15-9:00PM	Playing Rehearsal		Gym
6:30-9:00PM	Guard Rehearsal	TARC	
9:00-11:00PM	Games, Snacks		Gym
11-12AM	In Dorms, Unpack	Johnson	
12AM	LIGHTS OUT!!!		

Quiet time at Carthage for all guests is 11:00PM to 7:00AM. We are not the only guests so please be courteous of others.

Thursday, August 3

7:00AM	Wake up calls		
7:45AM	Breakfast (mandatory, check-in)	Dining Hall	
8:30AM-10AM	Playing Rehearsal		Gym
8:30AM-10AM	Guard Rehearsal	TARC	
10:15-12:15PM	Marching Rehearsal	Main Field	
12:15-1:00PM	Lunch	Dining Hall	
1:00-3:30PM	Playing Rehearsal		Gym
3:30-6:00PM	Free Time (swimming/games, etc.)	POOL	
6:15-7PM	Dinner	Dining Hall	
7:00-9:15PM	Outside Rehearsal	Main Field	
7:00-9:15PM	Guard Rehearsal	TARC	
9:15-11:00PM	Band Olympics, t-shirts		Gym
11:00PM	In dorms	Johnson	
12:00AM	LIGHTS OUT!!!!		

Friday, August 4

7:00AM	Wake up calls		
7:15-8AM	Breakfast (mandatory, check-in)	Dining Hall	
8-9AM	Pack, checkout		
9:00AM-9:30	Sectionals	???	
9:00AM-10:30	Guard Rehearsal	TARC	
9:30-10:30AM	Playing Rehearsal	Main Field	
10:30-12:30PM	Marching Reh, (section pre-lims)	Main Field	
12:30-1:30PM	Lunch	Sky Box	
1:45-4:30	Playing/Marching Rehearsals (as needed)	Gym/Field	

5:00-6PM	Dinner-Pizza	Gym
6:00-6:45	Playing Rehearsal (warm-up)	Gym
7:00PM	Performance for Parents (section finals)	Main Field (BRING CHAIRS!)
8:00PM	All students leave with parents	
@9:00PM	Unload truck at HS-please come and help!	

Pay phones are available near the dorms. Soda and candy machines are also available. There are recreational activities available, however what they are will be determined once we are there. Bring shoes for sports, and bathing suits for swimming. There are NO skate boards or roller blades allowed.

Meals are NOT optional. You must show up regardless of how hungry you are.

important dates:

7/22	Alpine Fest parade rehearsal @ high school, 8:30-10:00 AM	NO incoming freshmen
7/23	Alpine Fest parade, CALL TIME 11:00 am, STEP OFF = 11:30 am	NO incoming freshmen
7/27	*Freshmen/ Newcomer marching day, 8:00-10:00 am	Freshmen, newcomers & Leaders only
7/31	Freshmen/Newcomer marching day, 8:00-10:00 am	Freshmen, newcomers & Leaders only
7/26,7/27, 7/31,8/1	Drumline Rehearsals (various times-read above)	All Drumline
7/31	*Leadership day + Cookout at Thompson's house, 10-4 pm	Leaders only
8/2-8/4	BAND CAMP!!!!	Everyone!
8/12	Band car wash, PAC	Everyone!

Band Pride at LZHS!

Here's another way to promote "Band Pride" at the high school! The Lake Zurich Band is selling Lake Zurich Bears personalized band yard signs to all participating high school band members, a sample of which is pictured below:



The cost of this durable year around yard sign is \$25.00. If interested in purchasing, please bring order form, cash or check (payable to BBLZ) to the table at the **BAND CAMP SHOW** on **Friday, August 4th**. (Approximate delivery is 7-10 days.) Any questions, please contact Julie Snyder at Julandwayne@comcast.net, (847) 726-5866 or Jennifer Ginn at Jenni.ginn@gmail.com , (847) 540-8796.

Let's show some spirit for LZHS Band! Go Bears!

STUDENT'S NAME

NAME ON SIGN (please print legibly)

CONTACT PERSON

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL
