

2023-2024

William Tennent Music Boosters Association

Marching Band Information Packet

This packet contains information that we hope you will find useful throughout the school year. Information about the various committees, who to contact if you have questions, and a preliminary calendar of band events for the season are included. A complete listing of items included is below:

- Welcome letter from our President and Executive Board
- o Who are the Music Boosters?
- o Family Picnic/Friends and Family Show
- o Contact list of Band Director, Exec Board Officers and Committee Chairs
- Communication Information How to stay informed!
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William Tennent Music Boosters Association 333 Centennial Road Warminster, PA 18974

Welcome to the 2023-2024 Season

The Executive Board members and I would like to welcome all of our parents to the William Tennent Music Boosters Association. We are gearing up for a very busy and exciting season, and are very excited to work with our new band director, Mr. Nick Seifert.

We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones.

This packet contains a lot of important information, such as fundraising, a calendar, a band uniform checklist, and important phone numbers. Please take some time to read through each page. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Band Association Officers.

We are holding our 34th Annual Family Picnic and Friends and Family Show on Saturday, September 16th following band practice. The exact time will be announced at the first band parent meeting. The picnic and friends and family show are very exciting for the new and returning parents. The family picnic is a time to meet new parents and catch up with old friends. To get you ready for the upcoming season, there will be a supply of our show shirts for this season. There's more information on that later in this packet.

The first meeting of the new year will be Wednesday, August 9th, at 7:00 pm. Meetings for the rest of the year are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm. Please note this is a change from last year. I strongly urge all parents to attend as many meetings as possible to get all the latest information regarding games, competitions, fundraising, student accounts etc. Meetings are a great time to ask questions and find out how you can be a part of all the great things the WTMBA does for our students.

Unfortunately, we are not able to host a Celebration of Bands this year. However, we will be holding our Annual Food Truck Festival in the spring. The Food Truck Festival will be our largest fundraiser this year. More information about the Food Truck Festival and other fundraisers are in this packet and will be shared at the general meeting on August 9th. We encourage every family to participate in all fundraisers for the benefit of our students.

I look forward to working with all of you this year. With everyone's help, I'm confident that we can have a successful and fun year.

Sincerely,

Patti Hartline President, WTMBA

Patti Hartline

Who are the Music Boosters?

We are parents who have a vested interest in watching their children experience success through hard work, dedication, guidance, and leadership.

What do we do?

We do everything we can for our kids! We cheer for them at competitions, we hang out in the stands next to them at football games, we donate food, we FUNDRAISE!!! And we make friendships with other parents, as our kids develop friendships with each other. We have fun!!!!

Who are your Music Boosters Board Members?

President - Patti Hartline wtmbapresident@gmail.com

Vice President - Michele Gregory wtmbavp@gmail.com

Treasurer - Eric Hillman wtmbatreasurer@gmail.com

Recording Secretary - Holly Feusner wtmbarecordsec@gmail.com

Corresponding Secretary - Tina Carden wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com



34th Annual

Band Family Picnic

and

2023-2024 Marching Panther Band

Friends and Family Show

will be held on

Saturday, September 16th

Meet at the Football Stadium, Alumni Field.

Please bring your own food and drink, blanket or chairs.

Each family is requested to bring a "small" dessert to share.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

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Have a question about something band related? We can help!

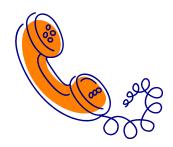
This is a list of the Officers and Committee Chairpersons for 2023-2024.

If you are not sure who to ask, call an officer.

We will be happy to answer your question or direct you to a person that can!!

Band Staff

	Dana	Juli				
Director	Nick Seifert	215-441-6181	seifni@centennialsd.org			
Executive Board Officers						
President	Patti Hartline	215-869-6040	wtmbapresident@gmail.com			
Vice President	Michele Gregory	610-715-1803	wtmbavp@gmail.com			
Treasurer	Eric Hillman	215-378-1004	wtmbatreasurer@gmail.com			
Corresponding Secretary	Tina Carden	215-913-7426	wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com			
Recording Secretary	Holly Feusner	215-421-4145	wtmbarecordsec@gmail.com			
	Chairp	ersons				
Celebration of Bands Chair	Sal DiPaolo	215-588-0126	cobchair@gmail.com			
Celebration of Bands Co-Chair	Jim Palozzi	610-639-2204	cobchair@gmail.com			
Parents Night Out Opportunity Available						
Videographer	Holly Feusner	215-421-4145	hfeusner@gmail.com			
Photographer	Michael Hartline	215-869-6060	wtmbapixs@gmail.com			
Hospitality	Amy Pallozzi	215-694-4058	abuffum@hotmail.com			
Publicity	Opportunity Available					
Uniforms	Jenn Auslander	484-620-0231	wtmbauniforms@gmail.com			
Equipment	Bob Feusner	215-801-5051	sweatybob75@gmail.com			
Novelties/Fan Gear	Opportunity Available					
Alumni	Matt Dierkes	215-816-5257	Mdierkes01@verizon.net			
Б	Jason Tumelty	215-778-7875	jason19999@aol.com			
By-laws	Opportunity Available	045 500 0400				
Corporate Sponsorship	Sal DiPaolo	215-588-0126	diponchase@gmail.com			
Fundraising						
Giant & Shop Rite Gift Cards	Monica Taylor	215-380-5928	taylormade2005@comcast.net			
Car Wash	Opportunity Available					
Wawa Hoagie Coupons	Louis Auslander	484-620-0232	<u>biehnprtg@aol.com</u>			
Yum Yum Gift Cards	Louis Auslander	484-620-0232	biehnprtg@aol.com			
Clothing Drive	Monica Taylor	215-380-5928	taylormade2005@comcast.net			
	Tina Carden	215-913-7426				
Thanksgiving Pies	Monica Taylor	215-380-5928	taylormade2005@comcast.net			
Food Truck Festival	Louis Auslander	484-620-0232	wtmbafoodtruck@gmail.com			
Food Truck Festival Co-Chair	Sal DiPaolo	215-588-0126	wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com			
Dinner Night Out	Monica Taylor	215-380-5928	taylormade2005@comcast.net			



WTMBA COMMUNICATIONS

Parent Communications

We want to be able to communicate with you! Please make sure you have returned the WTMBA Parent Communication form. This was handed out in the initial WTMBA packet back in June. Questions, or if you need another form, please email Tina Carden at wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com.

Web Site

Be sure to check out our website (www.wtmb.org) for forms, directions, fundraising information, calendars, etc. If you have information to add to the web site, please contact Joe Taylor at wtmbasite@gmail.com.





Publicity

The publicity committee makes contact with local media (newspapers and TV stations) to share our band's success and increase awareness throughout the community of our many activities.

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Spring 2024 - date to be announced 11am to 5pm.

Chairperson: Louis Auslander

William Tennent hosts an annual Food Truck Festival each Spring. In addition to our great Food Trucks we have Vendor Tables, Raffle Baskets, games for the kids, performances by our William Tennent Marching Band students and much more!!!

Many volunteers are needed for this event to be successful! Prior to the event, volunteers are needed to help coordinate Parking/Traffic, Raffle Baskets, and Kid's Games. On the day of the event we need many volunteers to make the event a success. Volunteers can sign up for 2 hour shifts - details will be shared closer to the event.



FUNDRAISERS FOR 2023-2024 YEAR



Giant & Shop Rite Gift Card Fundraiser

Giant and Shop Rite gift cards are available all year round to help you raise money for your child's account. Gift cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations.

GIANT Gift Cards:

• 4.5% of each gift card purchased will be deposited into your child's account. (For example, if you purchased \$200 in gift cards, \$9 would be deposited into your child's band account)

Shop Rite Gift Cards:

- 5.4% of each gift card purchased will be deposited into your child's account. . (For example, for every \$200 purchased in gift cards, \$10.80 would go into your child's band account).
- Take your Shop Rite receipt, write William Tennent Marching Band on the receipt and place it in the brown box at the front of the store. Shop Rite sends additional money to the band based on receipt totals.

To schedule a time to pick up the gift cards, contact Monica Taylor at 215-380-5928

All checks should be made payable to <u>WTMBA</u>. For all fundraising, we can only accept checks from Marching Band Parents.

Additional Fundraising Events

Wawa Shorti Hoagie Coupons and Yum Yum Gift Cards

Contact: Louis Auslander at 484-620-0232 or biehnprtg@aol.com

Dinner Night Out

PENDING - TBD

Thanksgiving Pie Sale and Coffee Sale

Contact: Monica Taylor at 215-380-5928 or taylormade2005@comcast.net

Clothing Drive

Takes place on the day of the Food Truck Festival

Contact: Monica Taylor at 215-380-5928 or taylormade2005@comcast.net

OR

Contact: Tina Carden at 215-913-7426 or wtmbacorrespsec@gmail.com

Additional Fundraisers may take place in 2023-2024.

Uniforms

During the second week of band camp each student will be fitted with a band or color guard uniform.

These band uniforms are property of the Centennial



School District and the color guard uniforms are the property of the WTMBA. Each member is responsible for any damage to (or loss of) uniform articles.

To ensure uniformity, there are parts of the uniform that each student is required to have and receive through the WTMBA. Sets are provided as part of the annual Activity Fee, but if the student requires additional pieces throughout the year, the Uniform committee holds "trunk" sales.

Cleaning of the band uniforms will be handled by the uniform committee. However, if you eat something and accidentally spill something on you, get to a uniform representative quickly!

Color Guard uniforms are being handed out. They are to be hand washed, separately, as needed, following manufacturer instructions.

Each student will be handed a set of Uniform Care Instructions and Inspection Expectations at Uniform Distribution. Please take the time to become familiar with them. Each piece has its own requirements.

Please contact Jenn Auslander or wtmbauniforms@gmail.com should you have questions or need assistance with your uniform.

With everyone's cooperation, WTMB will continue to be the best looking band in the area!

Band Equipment



Join the equipment crew (or Band Roadies) This committee is especially popular with the <u>Band Dads!!</u> Help load and unload the trailer before and after performances with instruments and equipment. Set up equipment on the field for the Band for all performances. No experience necessary.

Bonus incentives!!!

- carpool with other crew members
- FRÉE admission to events
- Personalized badge that says "Equipment Crew."

Sign-up at any meeting or picnic to help. Talk to Bob Feusner 215-801-5051 or Michael Hartline 215-869-6060 for more information.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!



William Tennent Marching Band



"Fan Gear"



There are many ways you can support your favorite marching band! A variety of items with the "WTMB Panther logo" are available.

Items available for students to promote pride in their marching band include hooded sweatshirts, sweatpants, and shorts.

Parents are welcome to purchase these items, too!

Novelty items include musical t-shirts, sweat shirts, sweatpants, PJ bottoms, shorts, hats, window stickers, seat cushions and for those cold football nights – scarves and blankets!

All items are subject to availability from the vendor.



William Tennent Music Boosters Association 2023-2024 Schedule of Meetings

GENERAL MEETINGS

Wednesday, August 9	7:00 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, September 6	7:30 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, October 4	7:30 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, November 8	7:30 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, December 6	7:30 PM	Band Room
No January meeting		
Wednesday, February 7, 2024	7:30 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, March 6	7:30 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, April 3	7:30 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, May 1	7:30 PM	Band Room
Wednesday, June 5	7:30 PM	Band Room

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Beginning in September, these meetings occur prior to the general membership meetings, and begin at 6:30 pm.

2023 - 2024 SEASON Performance Schedule

- Fri 9/8 (Home) vs Upper Merion 7:00 PM Game Time
- Thurs 9/14 (Home) vs Hatboro-Horsham 7:00 PM Game Time
- Sat 9/16 Friends and Family Show Time TBD
- Fri 9/22 (HOME) vs Father Judge 7:00 PM Game Time
- Sat 9/23 (Competition) @ Council Rock North
 Rehearsal and Performance Times TBA
- Fri 9/29 (Away) vs Upper Moreland 7:00 PM Game Time
- Sat 9/30 (Competition) @ Plymouth Whitemarsh
 Rehearsal and Performance Times TBA
- Fri 10/6 (Away) vs Plymouth Whitemarsh 7:00 PM Game Time
- Sat 10/7 (Competition) @ Pennridge
 Rehearsal and Performance Times TBA
- Fri 10/13 (Home) vs Wissahickon 7:00 PM Game Time Homecoming/Panther Band Day
- Fri 10/20 (Home) vs Cheltenham 7:00 PM Game Time Senior Rec Night
- Sat 10/21 (Competition) @ Conestoga
 Rehearsal and Performance Times TBA
- Fri 10/27 (Away) vs Springfield Twp 7:00 PM Game Time
- Sat 10/28 (Competition) Hatboro Horsham
 Rehearsal and Performance Times TBA
- Fri 11/3 Possible Football Playoff game
- Sat 11/4 Championships Location TBA
- Sun 11/19 Hatboro Holiday Parade Exact date unconfirmed. Details to come
- Memorial Day Parades Details to come in Spring
 Any questions, feel free to email Mr. Seifert at <u>seifni@centennialsd.org</u>

The Performance Checklist!

- Band shoes (are they polished?)
- Black band socks
- Band shirt
- Band gloves
- Flipfolio/Music
- Rubber Band
- Extra change of clothes
- Sweatshirt for the bus ride
- Snack Money
- The following parts of the uniform are kept at school (exception is Guard).
 - o Uniform pants
 - o Uniform jacket
 - o Shako/Beret
 - o Overcoat (when needed)
 - o Garment bag

REMEMBER to bring your INSTRUMENT!!!!!!!

WTMBA Activity Fee

\$195 per student

The first \$60 installment is due July 1, 2023 - **extended to August 1st.** The next installment of \$75 is due on or before September 2nd, and the final installment of \$60 is due on October 7th.

Students will receive the following for this fee:

- 1 gallon water jug
- A theme t-shirt
- A WT Uniform Polo Shirt
- Black socks
- Gloves
- Dinkles (shoes) new members only
- Guard costumes
- Pizza dinners
- Band banquet

These fees will also be used to cover Uniform Cleaning, music/drill sheets for the field show, competition fees, and guard props.



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Booster Membership

SELL BOOSTER MEMBERSHIPS TO YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS...AND PUT MONEY INTO YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT!

Here's how it works:

- 1. Anyone not eligible for a Parent Association Membership, but who wants to support the Marching Band can purchase a \$2.00 (minimum amount required) Booster Membership from any participating Band member.
- 2. For each Booster Membership you sell, you will earn 90% of that money for your student account (additional 10% goes to the general fund). The more booster memberships you sell, the more your profit will be.
- 3. This is an ongoing activity. You can sell memberships throughout the school year.
- 4. Boosters will be advertised in the Celebration of Band Program and Memory Book.

Booster memberships can be handed in at any Association Meeting, any Marching Band function, or you can mail to:

Patti Hartline 1083 Log College Dr. Warminster, PA 18974

Please make all checks payable to "WTMBA"

SIGN ME UP!!

Yes, I want to support the M	Marching Band by becoming a Bo school ye		ber of the "WTMBA" for the 2023-2024			
Booster Name(s)						
Seller Name(s)						
I have enclosed cash or a check payable to "WTMBA" in the amount of \$2.00 (or more).						
For WTMBA Use Only: Amount Pd	Date Pd	Cash	Check #			