

KELLOGGSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL *ROCKET* MARCHING BAND (RMB) CAMP
OLIVET COLLEGE, OLIVET, MICHIGAN

JULY 23rd – July 28th

**THIS IS THE FINAL BULLETIN – READ CAREFULLY!!
SAVE THIS INFORMATION!**

Final plans are being made for the traditional trip to Band Camp at Olivet College. Band Camp 2017 will be a terrific experience providing an opportunity to get to know everyone and to also prepare for a busy year. We are excited to welcome more new friends into the *Rocket* Marching Band family this year! You will leave Olivet with many new friends and a great musical experience. At camp we will have 8 – 10 students per parent chaperone. This will be an exciting week with some old and new faces with the staff. We have a few new counselors this year that are all very excited to come with us to Olivet. Helping with the chaperoning duties as always will be some of our wonderful band parents! **Please make sure to read this letter in its entirety!**

Background Check Form

In order to make our students safer, the district has instituted a rule that any adult volunteering to work with school programs of any kind must have a background check on file. In this packet, you will find a really short and easy form to fill out. Please return it to me through your student, scan and email it to me or you can leave it for me in my mailbox at the high school office. This is for any parent/guardian that **MAY** consider volunteering at any point during the school year for any event. You must have a new one on file for each school year and once you have done one, you are cleared to help out with any program in the district. I would encourage everyone to fill one out so that there won't be any last minute scrambling to get it done, even if you do not think that you will be taking part in any activities just in case you change your mind down the road this year. I would also like to take this opportunity to encourage you to get involved with the band boosters. There are always plenty of opportunities for those willing to help out our students in any way possible. Many of our activities would not be possible if it weren't for our boosters. Thank you for your consideration in both of these matters and I look forward to seeing you during the course of the upcoming year. Let's continue to support our students in every way and make this another successful year for the Kelloggsville Band Program!

MUSIC for the show is now available for pick up. We are doing everything possible to make this a very successful season. Dust off that instrument and please start looking at your music now if you have not done so already. The more you learn ahead of time, the easier it will be to play and march. Please do not wait until the night before to start looking through your music.

ALL MEDICATION needs to be turned in to Mom Groters at **check-in on Sunday(Please do not bring it in earlier than the day we leave)**. All prescription meds must be sent in the bottle with the prescription label on it. Please plan ahead to bring your own and check it in. It **MUST** be turned in. Students are not allowed to keep ANY type of meds in their rooms.

We are allowed to dispense over the counter medication (Tylenol, antacids, etc.) but **ONLY** if the medical form is checked in the area that gives us permission to do so please make sure that the **medical form, permission slip and background check forms** are filled out in their entirety and are returned before or on **Wednesday, July 19th!!!**

Again, **FORMS** on Wednesday 19th, **MEDICATION** on Sunday 23rd.

NO BUS BACK TO SCHOOL FRIDAY July 28th

There will be NO BUS back to school on Friday, July 28th something with one of your friends in band OR you can email me by July 19th and I will try to arrange a ride for you from one of the other band parents.

BAND SNACKS – We are asking this year that each section be responsible for bringing the nighttime snack. Below is the list of who is responsible for what:

Woodwinds— Chips/Cheetos

Mellophones/Trumpets-Cheese crackers/Combo-type snacks

Bones/'Tones and Tuba-Fruit Snacks

Drumline/Pit/Color Guard-Little Debbie-type snacks

PLEASE NO PEANUT OR PEANUT BUTTER ITEMS BECAUSE OF ALLERGIES.

2017 FALL MARCHING BAND SCHEDULE is included in this packet. CHECK IT OUT, KEEP IT AND PLAN AHEAD!!! WORK IS NOT AN EXCUSE FOR MISSING REHEARSALS OR PERFORMANCES.

THEME DAYS: Each day at camp the sections will compete by dressing up for the morning rehearsals. The sections with the most participation will earn the most points and chaperones will judge each day. No need to buy new clothes for this – BE CREATIVE!

Monday- Pajama Day

Tuesday- Color Day

Wednesday- Section Day

Thaaarsday- Pirate Day

Friday- Blue and Orange Day

CAMP PAYMENTS are still missing from a lot of you. All monies owed must be paid before camp. If you owe for camp, it MUST be turned in to Mr. Anderson on or before Tuesday, July 18th (unless you have arrangements already made) otherwise, you will not be allowed to go and will be taken out of the show. Please put Mr. Anderson and Band Camp on the envelope. You can drop them off to Mr. Anderson during Drumline rehearsals on Tuesdays from 10am-6pm. Please make sure to contact him by email (tanderson@kvilleps.org) to schedule a drop off time. If you have questions about what you owe or account information, you can email Dan Williams at bandboosterspresident@gmail.com

ROOKIE CAMP is a session just for students that have never marched in a Rocket Marching Band Show. The Section Leaders, Drum Majors, Mrs. V and myself will review with you the basics you need to know to be successful this year in Marching Band. We will meet at the **HIGH SCHOOL** on Thursday, July 20th, from 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm. Bring your instrument and gym shoes and socks to march in as well as sunglasses, hat and sunscreen because we will spend time outside.

SUMMER REHEARSALS. We will have our usual short pre-camp. On Wednesday, July 19th, woodwinds (Flute/Picc, Clarinets and Alto Saxes) will meet for a **playing only** rehearsal from 12-1:20pm. The Brass and Low Reeds will meet from 1:30-3pm. Thursday the 20th is the Rookie Camp and Friday, July 21st is a **FULL BAND REHEARSAL starting at 12:30.** You will need your shoes and socks for marching as well as your instrument for Rookie Camp. Full band rehearsal is **MUSIC ONLY.** Our Monday night rehearsals will begin August 7th from 6:30pm –

9:00ish. These rehearsals will be every Monday night starting August 7th through October 16th. The summer rehearsals are designed to keep all the information we learned at camp fresh until school starts. In the past, the students and I found that it was very hard to remember what we did at camp with a month off in between. In order to avoid complete frustration at the first game(that is before school starts) and the first day of school, these rehearsals are **required**. Also, we plan to do uniform fittings during these Monday Night Rehearsals. Seniors and Juniors, Freshmen and Sophomores in that order. **Until school begins, these rehearsals will be held at the MIDDLE SCHOOL MARCHING BAND PRACTICE FIELD** behind the middle school.

JULY 23rd ALL STUDENTS ARE TO REPORT TO THE HS BAND ROOM at 12:00 pm on Sunday July 24th with bedding, luggage, meds (if applicable) and instrument to check-in. We will travel by school bus and arrive at Olivet College in time to move in to the dorms, have a campus tour and Sunday dinner. Sunday evening will be our first music/marching rehearsal. Everyone is expected to ride to camp on transportation provided by the school. The trailer will take the percussion equipment and large instruments. There will be a terrific show for parents at **4:00pm FRIDAY, July 28th** the afternoon of camp pickup under the water tower. Students will wear their KHS band shirt and shorts for the performance. This show is an experience I am sure you will not want to miss. This is a sneak preview for what is to come. Parents, please come to support your students and remember, if your student needs a ride home, please contact me immediately!

ROOMMATES: Each air-conditioned dorm suite will house four students. Two students will sleep in a room and a bathroom joins the suite. The men will be on one floor and the ladies on another. Roommate assignments were made based on their sign up at the end of the year. This list will be posted in the band room during instrument check out.

MAKE SURE YOUR MARCHING INSTRUMENT IS IN GOOD REPAIR: Start getting the following ready now! These items can be purchased from Meyer Music. **I will not have any extras at camp so come prepared!** Most of you should have a lyre and flip folder from Mass Band. **Please do not wait until Sunday morning to look for them.** (**NOTE:** MEYER MUSIC is NOT open on Sunday)

PENCILS - don't forget pencils are required at all rehearsals. (You may also want a highlighter).

LYRE -Everyone needs one (except percussion and tubas) Flute players need to purchase the flutist friend lyre – they work the best!

FLIP FOLDERS - its best to buy your own. Because of budget constraints, **I WILL NOT SUPPLY ANY THIS YEAR! You should have yours from seasons past or from Mass Band!**

EXTRA REEDS - remember no Rico reeds (Clarinets=Mitchell Laurie or Juno 3 or 3 1/2, and Saxes=La Voz Med. or Med. Hard) Please bring extra of all these items.

VALVE OIL and DRUM STICKS - Please bring extra of all these items.

APPROVED DRESS: SOCKS AND TENNIS SHOES ARE REQUIRED FOR MARCHING!! Please have at least one pair of good support tennis shoes for all marching rehearsals. Sandals, flip-flops, and other types of foot attire are not acceptable for marching **OR FRONT ENSEMBLE**. “Comfortable” clothing attire is recommended throughout the week. Hats and sunglasses are advisable. **REMEMBER, school rules apply, that includes the dress code!!!! You will be sent back to your room to change if your attire is deemed inappropriate!**

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY: Marching band is a physical activity that takes physical conditioning and endurance. **Students will be asked to run, do pushups or sit-ups and march quite a bit during the week, along with stretching out each morning and other conditioning exercises.**

At the end of each day the students will be tired and muscles a little sore, try and do some physical activity before camp to help you for band camp week. I hope you are staying in shape this summer; it will really save you from a lot of sore muscles.

VISITORS: Your family is welcome to visit camp and observe camp activities at any time. Students will not be excused from any camp activities, meals or rehearsals to entertain guests. **DO NOT** invite friends to visit you at camp. **There is a charge for guests staying for a meal and this must be arranged in advance.** All visitors must check in with the residence hall desk upon arrival.

CAMP REGULATIONS: NUMBER ONE RULE: **ALL** Kelloggsville High School Rules as stated in the school handbook apply while at Band Camp 2017 – infractions will be put to the highest disciplinary action. NUMBER TWO RULE: Treat all adults, staff, chaperones, and Olivet staff with the utmost of respect – listen attentively and **BE RESPECTFUL**. Male and Female students may not enter the opposite sex floor or room at any time. Students are to stay within the boundaries set up by the tour on Sunday night – if students need to run for fall sports they must run with at least one other person **NOT ALONE**. No student is permitted to leave their room after taps and lights out. No student is to leave the campus without the permission of Mr. Anderson. All campers are required to report to the dining hall for every meal – no excuses. All campers must wear socks and tennis shoes to each marching rehearsal. Every student is expected to be at his/her respective planned activity or in the nurses’ care. Any student who fails to conform to the necessary regulations or refuses to accept supervision will be sent home, at their expense, with no refund of fees. Parents will be notified and requested to take their camper home immediately. Further action with KHS administration may follow once in Grand Rapids. These rules will be discussed in detail upon arrival at Olivet Sunday and printed on the back of the student’s itinerary for the week.

DIRECTIONS TO OLIVET COLLEGE: Directions from KHS to Olivet can be found on Google Maps or Mapquest. There is a back way to camp through Hastings if you are daring. The end of camp show takes place at 4:00 pm under the Olivet water tower right on campus. Rain Location is Olivet College Field house (gym).

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS: Please feel free to email me regarding this information or with any questions. You can email me at tanderson@kvilleps.org. I am looking forward to getting a great start on a busy and exciting year!

CAMP MAIL: Mail to our lonely and forgotten campers is encouraged!! **MAIL ONE WEEK EARLY**

Mail to: Campers Name
% Kelloggsville Marching Band
Olivet College
Olivet, Michigan 49076

See you all very soon!!!! I hope you are as excited about camp as I am!!!!

2017 *ROCKET* MARCHING BAND CAMP ITINERARY

SUNDAY, JULY 23

12:00 pm	Arrive to KMS, pack and load
1:00 pm	Depart for Olivet College
2:30 pm	Arrive at Olivet, settle into rooms turn, campus tour and orientation
4:30 pm	Sectionals – pass out music and flip folders get organized
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:30 pm	Full band and M & M
10:00 pm	Introduction Night
11:00 pm	In rooms
11:30 pm	Taps and Lights Out

MONDAY – THURSDAY, JULY 24 – July 27

7:00 am	Reveille, prepare for the day, clean rooms
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:15 am	Morning Rehearsal, M & M, Sectionals, Full Rehearsal
11:15 am	Recreation – basketball and tennis available
12:00 pm	Lunch (Except for Tuesday, 7/25, Lunch is 11:30am)
1:15 pm	Afternoon rehearsal – M & M, Sectionals, Full rehearsal
4:30 pm	Recreation - Pool opens at 4:30pm, basketball, tennis
5:30 pm	Dinner
6:30 pm	Evening Rehearsal – M & M, Sectionals, Full rehearsal
9:45 pm	Night Time Activity
11:00 pm	In Rooms
11:30 pm	Taps and Lights Out

FRIDAY, July 28

7:00 am	Reveille
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:15 am	Morning Rehearsal – Full rehearsal, M & M, Sectionals
10:30 am	Pack for home and shower/change for the parent concert
10:20 pm	Move stuff to game room
11:30 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Afternoon sectional
4:00 pm	Informal Concert for Parents
5:00 pm	Break Camp

As always, this itinerary is subject to change ☺

ROCKET MARCHING BAND CAMP PACKING LIST

MARK ALL ARTICLES WITH YOUR NAME!!! We will be gone all week but please only bring what you can carry – one suitcase, sleeping bag/pillow, and instrument are suggested.

Band Snack
Theme day clothes/items
Marching band instrument
Flip folder
Lyre
Pencils, pencils, pencils
Water bottle – it will probably be hot this week☺ YOU REALLY NEED THIS!!
Sunscreen
Bug spray
Jean or khaki shorts for performance on Friday – everyone will receive shirts at camp
Alarm clock
Sleeping bag
Blankets
Sheets
Pillow & pillow case
Wash clothes
Bath towels
Deodorant
Shampoo & soap
Comb & brush
Toothbrush & toothpaste
Plastic drinking cup
Kleenex
Hat
Lots of socks
Underwear
Tennis shoes (with good support)
Flashlight
Bathing suit/towel
T-shirts
Shorts
Jeans
Sweatshirts/long sleeve shirts – it does cool off at night
Rain gear
Camera
Shaving cream & razor
Light jacket
Shower shoes (Not for marching)
Plastic bag for dirty clothes
Basketball/Soccer Ball/Tennis equipment for recreation time
One-dollar bills and change for vending machines
All medications – remember that all medications need to be turned into the adult chaperones on **Sunday at check-in.**