

SUMMER BAND PRACTICE

Reminders!!!

When: See your calendar that you received in May or download it on the school website.

Things to bring: your instrument, show music, pencil, and water. Make sure you have your water in a container that you can take with you to the practice field.

What to wear: shorts, t-shirts, light colored clothing, hats, sunglasses and sunscreen. **Tennis shoes** are required for all marching rehearsals. No boots, flip flops, or hard soled shoes for marching are allowed at anytime during our marching season.

The Daily schedule: is on the website, was sent home with the students in May, and is included in this letter. There is a band webpage on the school website that will keep you informed of what is happening with the band. Also, you need to sign up for the Band 101 by texting **@misdband to 81010** Do this today!!! This is my way to communicate with you!!!

Foods breaks: You can bring a sack lunch or go somewhere to eat. Please eat breakfast every day so that you don't get sick outside in the heat. Try to drink more water and less caffeinated drinks leading up to and definitely during summer band

You need to bring water! This is very important because of the heat that we will be in for our outside rehearsals. Water is required and you will not be allowed to participate unless you have it. No carbonated drinks or energy drinks allowed during rehearsal times.

Be here and be on time! It is important that you are on time and that you attend every practice. Practice times are when we start, so show up about 15 minutes early to get your equipment and get where you are supposed to be. We will start learning our halftime/contest show during summer band, so don't expect a place in the show if you have multiple absences or any unexcused absences. Excused absences must be pre-approved by the director at least a week in advance! Please schedule all appointments around band practice times. Please refer to the band handbook on the website for all policies and procedures for the Mineola Band.

You must practice your music before you show up. The show music was handed out in May, so it should be learned by summer band. Auditions and pass offs on the music will take place the first week of summer band. Get your chops back in shape and get outside some the next few days, so that you are used to the heat.

Please refer to the calendar that I have included in this letter for summer practice dates and times. If you have any questions my number is 903-569-3000 at the school or just email me at brannanc@mineolaisd.net. We are going to have an incredible year and I am glad that you have chosen to be a part of the Mineola High School Band.

See you soon!!
Mr. B