

2018-2019 Brighton High School Band Information

MEMBERSHIP: All Incoming/New members outside of the Brighton Middle & High School Bands program must audition for placement within the Brighton High School Band. Brighton Middle school band members must be in good standing within the 8th grade band program to obtain membership in the BHS Band.

PLACEMENT: In order to maintain the consistency and quality needed to fulfill the high expectations of our community and school, we utilize an alternate system. Some band members will initially be placed in the alternate line based on their performance history, progress made during summer camp and/or audition scores. During summer camp, some members may be moved in and out of this alternate line based on marching performance, attendance, exhibited efforts and/or musical contributions. A large majority of the alternate line is comprised of freshmen band members due to their inexperience and the high level of focus required for competition level performance. All members who are placed in the alternate line are still required to attend rehearsals, performances, & competitions AND are considered fully active members of the BHS Band. Alternates are also required to pay band fees and meet any deadlines established. Placement within all BHS Band Programs will be determined by the director and staff and may be changed when deemed necessary for the benefit of the ensemble.

FIRST SEMESTER GRADING: Grades are based on 3 factors

1. Weekly participation - **10%:**

This grade includes: Behavior during classes, warm-ups, rehearsals, travel, and performances. Preparedness and readiness for classes, warm-ups, rehearsals, and performances. Show up at the right place, at the right time, with the right equipment, ready to perform.

2. Attendance to Rehearsals - **50%:**

Attendance to all after-school rehearsals are required to maintain the highest performance quality possible. If you are at HALF of the rehearsal (even for tutoring or detention) you will receive HALF credit for that rehearsal (a 50 in the grade book). Your weekly rehearsal schedule will be:

Tuesdays - 2:50 - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays - 2:50 - 5:00 p.m.

Thursdays - 2:50 - 5:00 p.m.

An **unexcused** absence from all or part of rehearsal may result in loss of position within the show and placement on the alternate line. Multiple **excused** absences may result in loss of position within the show and placement on the alternate line.

3. Attendance to Performances - **40%:**

Performing is what we do. Attendance to and full participation in performances are of the utmost importance. Performance is what we are about and what we DO. When you're not here, the ensemble's performance suffers. **ABSENCE DUE TO WORK OR FAMILY VACATION IS NOT DEEMED AS EXCUSED**

*Pass-Offs: Although not part of the grading rubric, from time to time pass-offs are assigned to evaluate each members contribution to the ensemble and ensure 100% musical participation. Musicians will be required to pass-off pre-chosen musical passages, while Guard members will pass-off routine and dance selections. Members not performing at 100% may be replaced if there is an alternate who is performing better and is more capable of contributing to the ensemble's sound and visual element.

SECOND SEMESTER GRADING: Grades are based on 3 factors

1. Weekly Participation - 30%: Throughout second semester, band members earn a weekly grade based upon Participation during class, exhibition of completed practice assignments through individual performance trials, & fulfillment of assigned daily duties.
2. Pass Offs - 50%: Throughout the second semester we will be assigning many individual pass-offs of fundamental exercises, scales, and passages of music literature. Students will be given TWO opportunities to pass-off the selected passages/exercises before the final grade is placed in the grade book.
3. Attendance to Performances - 20% Performances are usually announced at least 3 weeks prior to the performance date.

RULES: All school & board of education rules and codes are held to each member within the band program. Band is an extra-curricular subject and membership is a privilege. With such a large membership, there is a lot of trust held between members and directors/staff. Use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and/or any other illegal or age inappropriate substances will result in immediate expulsion from the band. Fighting may also result in immediate expulsion from the band. Other disciplinary matters may result in placement to alternate line or office referral.

BOOSTERS/CHAPERONES: We have the BEST booster organization on campus. These parents work very hard in coordination with YOU to make sure we have the needed materials whether it's instruments, uniforms, music, repairs, food, water, or support. The boosters make so much happen for this band program. Boosters will be respected. Follow directions given by your chaperones. If you question their direction, come to a staff member immediately and ask for guidance. **DO NOT BE DISRESPECTFUL.** "Please" and "Thank You" go a long way with your boosters, they're here to help you and your band program.

SCHOOL INSTRUMENTS: If you are playing a school owned instrument, you will be required to sign a school instrument agreement. Any damage that is incurred while the instrument is loaned to you must be repaired within two weeks of the date of damage. You are responsible for the care of this instrument while it is loaned out to you. Any uncompleted repairs will be completed and billed to your account after the two week repair period has passed.

PHYSICALS: To protect our student's well being and ensure that every student on the field is physically ready to execute our demanding drill & music, Brighton High School requires each band member to have a physical completed and on file in the band office before band camp of their first year in band. Please have your family physician conduct a physical exam and confirm your child's ability to participate in marching band. Your Physician/Pediatrician should have a sports physical form that he/she can complete for you. Please have this form on file in the band office on or before your child's first day of band camp.

PERCUSSION PRE-CAMP: JUNE 11TH - 15TH, MONDAY - FRIDAY - 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

SUMMER BANDCAMP:

This is where a large portion of our hard work for the fall is done. With a pretty rigorous rehearsal/training schedule, camp is what brings the entire fall show into being. Camp is where our spots are assigned, drill is learned, basics of show music is learned, fundamentals are established, and design is completed. If you want to be in the show, you must be at camp. It's that simple. Here are your camp dates:

-If you are a new member of the band (this includes all freshmen woodwind & brass) you must attend:
Fundamentals Camp-Monday, July 9th through Friday, July 13th 6:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

-If you are a percussionist or guard member within the band then you must attend:
Percussion and Guard Camp- Monday, July 9th through Friday, July 13th Times TBA by instructors
Percussion: Don't forget about the pre-camp being held June 11th - 15th

-ALL band members (new & returning) must attend:
FULL BAND CAMP - Monday, July 16th through Friday, July 27th 6:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (except Saturday's & Sunday's)

Meet the Band - Friday, July 27th 6:30 p.m.

This is our first performance of the show for the public. Before the show parents can visit our spirit tent to order show shirts, extra band shirts, spirit items and band swag to show their band pride!

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BAND FEES:

Fees are necessary to acquire materials such as music literature, customs arrangements, custom drill custom choreography, large instruments, adjunct instructors, entry fees, transportation, show materials, uniform updates, uniform maintenance, field materials, and instructional supplies, All of which are used to build and prepare our competitive band. Fee waiver is not applicable to Band since band is an extracurricular activity.

BHS Band Fees are *currently* \$350.00 (One of the lowest band fees around!)

-You're \$150.00 deposit is due in the band office no later than Tuesday, May 15th.

-The remaining balance (\$200.00) is due no later than Monday, July 16th (the first day of full band camp).

Three different Payment options are available:

Payment Package A: One time payment of \$350 due May 15th.

Payment Package B: Two payments- Payment #1 \$150.00 due May 15th
Payment #2 \$200.00 due July 16th

Payment Package C: Seven Payments of \$50.00

Payment #1 - April 16th

Payment #2 - May 1st

Payment #3 - May 15th

Payment #4 - June 1st

Payment #5 - June 15th

Payment #6 - July 2nd

Payment #7 - July 16th.

PAYMENT COUPON SHEET ATTACHED
ON LAST PAGE OF HANDBOOK

Please mail all payments to:

Brighton Band Boosters
P.O. Box 608
Brighton, TN. 38011

Make ALL payments payable to "Brighton Band Boosters"

(if you are paying with cash, please come by the band office during school hours so you can get a receipt for payment)

Required 1 time purchases:

Everyone: Each individual needs to go shopping this summer to purchase a pair of Khaki shorts for hot weather performances. We will be wearing these shorts with band shirts tucked in for camp performance and the halftime performances for the 1st month of football season. Please make sure your shorts are appropriate in length. (Not too short but also not so long that they impede your visuals.) We will no longer be wearing the black shorts.

Musicians: These are items that you need to acquire over the summer on you own:

-At least one pair of LONG black sock

-Lyre (clamp that holds a flip folder to your instrument).

On July 25th, we will be fitting and ordering MTX band shoes for those band members that do not have a pair or need replacement shoes. These shoes are \$40.00 per pair. Please have your money ready to place your order on July 25th.

Guard:

-One pair of Diva Guard shoes (\$40.00 these will be fitted for & ordered through the band on Friday, July 13th),

-One time purchase of practice equipment \$135.00 which needs to be paid before the first day of guard camp which is July 9th. (These are practice materials that students will use throughout their 4 year high school career and take with them upon graduation from BHS)

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE:

Please understand that you are signing up for a performance based class. There is a BIG difference between middle school band and high school band. This is a performance group that is dedicated to serving our school and community plus competing at a high level. These performances are not optional.

Here is a tentative performance schedule for next fall:

Friday, July 27th - Meet The Band

Friday, August 17th - Game: Brighton Vs. Houston (AWAY)

Friday, August 24th - Game: Brighton Vs. Dyersburg

Friday, August 31st - Game: Brighton Vs. Bolton

Friday, September 7th - Game: Brighton Vs. Covington tentative 1st uniform night

Friday, September 14th - Game: Brighton Vs. Kirby

Saturday, September 15th - COMPETITION - Gibson County Marching Invitational.

Friday, September 21st - Game: Brighton Vs. Overton

Saturday, September 22nd - COMPETITION - Union City Invitational, Union City, TN.

Friday, September 28th - Homecoming Game: Brighton Vs. Kingsbury

Saturday, September 29th - COMPETITION - Briarcrest Marching Invitational, Eads, TN.

Friday, October 5th - Game: Brighton Vs. Ridgeway (AWAY)

Saturday, October 6th - COMPETITION - T.B.A.

Friday, October 19th - Game: Brighton Vs. Southwind (AWAY)

Saturday, October 20th - COMPETITION - T.B.A.

Friday, October 26th - Game: Brighton Vs. Munford (AWAY)

Saturday, October 27th - 1/2 day rehearsal

Friday, November 2nd - Game: Brighton Vs. ? (1st round playoff)

Saturday, November 3rd - COMPETITION - U.S. Bands Southern States Championship/University of Tennessee @ Chattanooga

Friday, November 9th - Game: Brighton Vs. ? (2nd round playoff)

Friday, November 16th - Game: Brighton Vs. ? (3rd round playoff)

Friday, November 23rd - Game: Brighton Vs. ? (4th round playoff)

Friday, November 30th - Game: Brighton Vs. ? (State Championship)

ALSO HAVE YOUR \$150.00 DEPOSIT MAILED IN BY MAY 15TH. Please mail all deposits to:

“Brighton Band Boosters”

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Brighton, TN. 38011

PLEASE print and fill out the parental consent & emergency information form below. Completed forms can be turned in by hand to Mr. Findley at the BHS Band office, scanned and emailed to: jfindley@tipton-county.com or mailed to:

Brighton High School Band - Attn: Mr. Findley
8045 Highway 51 South
Brighton, TN. 38011

It is important to have your registration completed by MAY 15th in order to build our roster for next year, enabling us to know exactly how many students to write drill for. This CAN NOT be changed at the last minute as new people decide to show up. If you have any questions please email me at: jfindley@tipton-county.com
GO BAND!

Student Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Email: _____

PARENTAL CONSENT & EMERGENCY INFORMATION
for school trips/activities sponsored by
Brighton High School Band

Trip or Activity Planned: 2018-2019 Band Camp, Football Games at home and away from school premises, Marching Competitions, Ensemble Performances, Fall/Spring Trips, Conventions, Clinics, Orientation Events, & Celebratory Trips.

Purpose of Trip or Activity: Practice, Performing marching shows, auditorium-type performances, public services performances, orientation trips, celebratory/recruiting/award trips, parade performances, & gymnasium-type competitions.

Method of Transportation: Either Tipton County Schools buses, charter or contract buses

Teachers Responsible: Jonathan Findley, Band Director of the Brighton High School Band

Changes/Cancellations:

I understand that school trips may be changed and/or cancelled when deemed necessary by the principal, superintendent, board of education or band director. Reimbursement cannot be guaranteed when such cancellations occur. Parents/Guardians will be notified as soon as events allow.

Expectations and Instructions:

I understand the following is expected of the student: 1) to follow instructions given by the teacher(s) and/or chaperone(s), 2) not to leave or separate from the group without appropriate authorization from a teacher or chaperone, and 3) to comply with all TCBOE/BHS policies and rules of conduct. In the event my child violates any of the above expectations or instructions, I understand school officials reserve the right to remove the student from the trip (at parent/guardian expense) and the student will be subject to school disciplinary actions.

Parental/Guardian Authorization:

I request that the above-named student be allowed to participate in Brighton Bands planned trips for the 2018-2019 school year. I understand the change/cancellation information, expectations and instructions, and confirm the student has insurance coverage. I specifically consent to the student's participation in the planned trips. I release and agree to hold harmless the Brighton Band Boosters, Brighton High School, TCBOE, and its agents from any responsibility and/or liability in the event of an accident. I also consent/release to the Brighton High School Band and Brighton Band Boosters any use of the above-named student's photo as needed.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____ Email _____

Parent/Guardian Medical Emergency Authorization:

In the event of a medical emergency while my child is participating in a school trip or activity, I authorize TCBOE officials to release the following information to the healthcare provider. I understand school officials will use the contact information provided below to contact me in the event of such an emergency. If any emergency medical procedures or treatment are required during the trip, I consent to the trip supervisor(s) arranging for and consenting to the procedures or treatment in the supervisor's discretion. I will pay the cost of any such medical procedures or treatment not fully covered by my insurance provider. I release and agree to hold harmless Brighton Band Boosters, Brighton High School, TCBOE, and its agents from any responsibility and/or liability in the event any medical procedure and/or treatment is required for my child during a school trip or activity.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Emergency Contact Information (up to two (2) contacts):

Name _____ Name _____

Phone: Day _____ Night _____ Cell: _____ Phone: Day _____ Night _____ Cell: _____

Emergency Medical Information (complete as applicable)

Family Physician & Phone Number _____ (____) _____ - _____

Date of last tetanus booster _____/_____/_____

Known Allergies _____

Regular medications, if any _____

Special Health Needs _____

Insurance Company & Policy # _____ #: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

2018-2019 Band Fee Payment Coupon Sheet

2018-2019 BHS Band Payment #1

Due: April 16th, 2018

Member: _____ Payment of: \$50.00 Please mail to: Brighton Band Boosters
P.O. Box 608
Brighton, TN. 38011

2018-2019 BHS Band Payment #2

Due: May 1st, 2018

Member: _____ Payment of: \$50.00 Please mail to: Brighton Band Boosters
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2018-2019 BHS Band Payment #3

Due: May 15th, 2018

Member: _____ Payment of: \$50.00 Please mail to: Brighton Band Boosters
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2018-2019 BHS Band Payment #4

Due: June 1st, 2018

Member: _____ Payment of: \$50.00 Please mail to: Brighton Band Boosters
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2018-2019 BHS Band Payment #5

Due: June 15th, 2018

Member: _____ Payment of: \$50.00 Please mail to: Brighton Band Boosters
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2018-2019 BHS Band Payment #6

Due: July 2nd, 2018

Member: _____ Payment of: \$50.00 Please mail to: Brighton Band Boosters
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2018-2019 BHS Band Payment #7

Due: July 16th, 2018

Member: _____ Payment of: \$50.00 Please mail to: Brighton Band Boosters
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