



Houston County High School

Black and Silver Brigade

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Hello band!

Here we are! First game is tomorrow and I know we are all ready for it to get here! This is a letter of reminders and timelines for tomorrow. It is a busy day and I am sure that your children will sleep well tomorrow night!

- 6:45AM-Band Reports to Band Room to prepare for morning pep rally. It is a white out day, so make sure to wear white!
- 7:25AM-Pep Rally Ends; pack up and report to 1st period.
- 1:50PM-Band will report to band room to prepare for afternoon pep rally.
- 2:40PM-Report to band room and load connex boxes for transport. **DO NOT TAKE YOUR INSTRUMENT HOME!**
- 2:45PM-End of School Day; Head Home, relax.
- 5:00PM-Be in band room for uniform inspection and announcements. When you arrive, you should be wearing the following:
 - Bibbers (with athletic shorts underneath)
 - Drifit Shirts
 - LONG solid-colored Black Socks
 - Bandos
 - Long hair should be up in a bun or in a tight ponytail. Fingernail polish should be a neutral color. Earrings may be worn, but small studs only. No other jewelry should be worn while in uniform.
- **MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS A WATER JUG WITH THEM TO THE GAME!**
- 5:30PM.-Depart for PHS
- 6:15PM.-Warm-up and move into the stands
- 7:30PM.-Kickoff-Be in the stands and support HoCo!!!!
- 3rd Quarter-Band will have dinner from Zaxby's. No student will be allowed to go to concessions.

Following the game, we will play the Alma Mater and Fight Song and then dismiss to the semi. Students will load connexes and head to buses. Once equipment is loaded, we will head to HoCo. Students are required to stay once we arrive and make sure all equipment is put away. We will dismiss from the band room. Please do not park by the theater or in the travel lanes so that the buses can enter and exit easily. Please park in a space in the front parking lot and your child will be come to you following dismissal.

If your child needs to leave with you following the game, they must arrange for their instrument to be put away once we return to school. It is their responsibility to make sure that this is done. If you need to take your child home following the game, please email our chaperone chairs at hocobandchaperones@gmail.com. Your child must be signed out with their bus chaperone before they can be released. Students will not be allowed to drive to the game.

One final note, I have made the decision to pull out of our first competition. We have been hit brutally hard by the weather throughout the month of August and I do not feel that we can catch up and complete the show in the time that we have left. I do not want to change our process for teaching and learning drill and try to "cram" the show in, as it will only frustrate the staff and students and lead to competition performances that are not at the level that I envision for the BASB. I will now begin the process of finding a third competition and let you know as soon as possible when that will be. I do want you all to understand

that this is in no way a reflection on the hard work that your children have been doing so far this season. I am extremely proud of each one of them and truly believe that this band has the potential to be the best group I have taught at HoCo.

We had a great practice today. I love this band and I am really looking forward to tomorrow night! See you at the game!

Davis