



Prosper Band News

July 21, 2019

Summer Band Begins This Week!!!

Summer Band begins this week with Battery and Color Guard beginning on Tuesday and the full band program on Friday, July 26th continuing through August 13th. We will begin promptly at the times listed on the band calendar and will meet in the PHS Band Hall. Make sure to bring your marching instruments, water jugs and sun screen. Attire should be white t-shirt, shorts and comfortable tennis shoes (no sandals or open toed footwear). Please visit the [Band's Google Calendar](#) for times and dates of all activities happening throughout Summer Camp and the rest of the year.

Congratulations to Maddison Weaver – UIL State Outstanding Soloist

This past June, we brought over 40 Prosper Band students to Austin to compete in the State Solo & Ensemble Contest held at the University of Texas. All participants performed their UIL solos and ensembles and did a fantastic job. We are so excited to announce that our very own Madison Weaver received the Outstanding Soloist Award for her solo performance on Bassoon. This is the highest honor a student can be awarded for this contest and a HUGE ACCOMPLISHMENT. Congratulations, Maddi!!!!

New REMIND Policies and Changes

The text messaging service we use to get out text messages to all members and parents of the Prosper Band has changed some of their policies on how many messages we can send out at a time. We will no longer be able to use one access code to message the entire band. What does this mean for you? Well... very little, except you will need to re-signup for one of the categories that pertains to you. The current system will no longer work. Typically, we would move to another format, however many of the other options that we have found require EVERYONE to download an app. *No Bueno*. We will continue to explore other options, however for this year we ask that everyone signup using one of the following codes.

TO JOIN: Text **81010** & in the body of the text message, include one of the underlined codes that pertains to you:

Student Only Woodwind: [@faba6d](#)

Student Only Brass: [@a7gf4g](#)

Student Only Percussion/Color Guard: [@hk27dc](#)

Parent(s) Only Freshman/Sophomores: [@a9ghbg](#)

Parents(s) Only Juniors/Seniors: [@g26cbg](#)

TMEA All-State Material – July 22nd @ noon

ATTENTION STUDENTS!!!! The official TMEA All-State material will be released TOMORROW, July 22nd beginning at noon. [Here is the link of where the etudes will be posted.](#) On your Marks... Get Set... GO!!!!

Sponsorships Available

Are you interested in becoming an official sponsor of the 2019-20 Prosper Mighty Eagle Band? We have some great options to choose from! Please visit our [Sponsorship Page](#) for more information. You will also find our official Mighty Eagle Band Sponsorship video. Help spread the word by sharing and liking the video through social media!

Volunteer Opportunities

In order for the Prosper Mighty Eagle Band to operate at the highest levels, it takes some awesome parent volunteers to help us throughout the year. Here are a few immediate opportunities for parents to volunteer. It is a great way to get to know more of the Prosper Band Families and help out the band at the same time! *All volunteers must go through the [Prosper Volunteer Background check process available through this link.](#)



If you are interested in any of these parent volunteer opportunities, [please fill out this Google Form](#) and you will be contacted shortly.

Registration – We are going to need some parent help to make this event go smoothly. An email will be going out shortly with detailed information pertaining to shifts, responsibilities and focus.

Medical Tent – We are requesting some parent help to assist students as they become acclimated to rigorous exercise in the hot weather. The first few days of Summer Band are always the most difficult and we will have students that will be in need of extra hydration, rest, food, etc. Parents in the medical field are preferred, but not required.

Uniform Parents – We are requesting for a small group of parents to help with distributing and sizing uniforms for all of our students throughout the marching season. Responsibilities include, fitting students, helping with uniform distribution before games and competitions, emergency uniform repairs, etc. We are looking for a group of 4-6 parents to work alongside our student uniform coordinators.

Marching Band Supplies Needed

- Igloo or Coleman ½ Gallon Water Jug (this will fit the juguzzi wrap that is supplied to all new students)
- Instrument Specific Lyre and Flip Folder (available at local music store)
- B.E.R.P. for all Brass Instruments except Sousaphone (available at local music store)
- Black folder, 10 dividers, pencil bag and multiple MECHANICAL Pencils
- Appropriate Reeds for Woodwinds
- Appropriate cleaning and maintenance supplies for all instruments

First Fundraiser of the Year – SNAP!

For our first major fundraiser of the year, we will be participating in the SNAP! Fundraiser as last year. The fundraiser will take place on July 31st during a portion of the afternoon block. More information to come.

Registration

Coming up on August 3rd is the annual Band Registration for all students participating in the Prosper Mighty Eagle Band this upcoming school year. At this event, we will be collecting online forms, sizing for uniforms and spirit wear, presenting parent volunteer opportunities, and providing an opportunity to pay band fees. In addition, Brook Mays will be present to purchase any needed band supplies. We will be sending out more information about this soon, so stay tuned.

REMINDER: MARCHING BAND PHYSICAL REQUIREMENT

A mandate from the University Intercollegiate League (UIL) has stated that all students participating in marching band must submit proof of good health signed by a physician, physician assistant, registered nurse or Doctor of Chiropractic. The physical is required during their first and third year of participation in marching band (typically freshman and junior year). ALL Students must submit a pre-participation form, which is signed and completed by a parent/legal guardian EVERY YEAR. We will be collecting the physical forms signed by a Doctor and the parent pre-participation form during the scheduled Band Registration on August 3rd. [The official UIL form to be filled out by a qualifying healthcare professional can be found here.](#) The first page is the parent pre-participation form filled out by everyone and the second page is the physical form filled out by a health professional. UIL has also provided a FAQ for specific questions and [can be found here.](#)