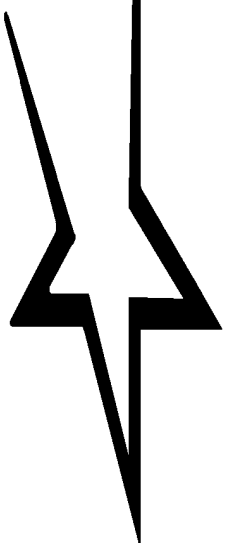


Nottingham Northstar Marching Unit



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Jennifer Klek, Director

Dear Incoming Marching Unit Students and Parents,

The end of the school year is fast approaching and it is time to begin preparing for next year's band activities. We are very excited that you have decided to continue your musical studies as a member of the Nottingham High School Marching Unit and hope that you will enjoy the experience as much as the students who have gone before you.

In order for us to properly prepare for next year we will have a rehearsal for all new marching band members and upperclassmen on **Wednesday June 14th, 2017 from 7:00pm to 8:00pm in the NHS Band Room**. At this rehearsal we will practice our field show music and go over the many aspects of the Nottingham Band program, including marching band, and answer any questions. Band camp this year is held on August 17-18 from 9:00am-12:00pm and the week of August 21-25 from 8:00am to 4:00pm and is required for all marching band members.

You will find included with this letter a schedule for next year's marching unit and a marching unit commitment form. Students wishing to participate in a fall sport and marching unit are allowed to, but are expected to coordinate in advance with staff and coaches to split practice time evenly.

As we begin to choreograph next year's field show **it is extremely important that we get an accurate number of students participating in marching unit**, so we ask that you please fill out the enclosed forms and return them to your middle school director by **May 20th**. All payments, including shoe orders and band camp fees, are due on June 3rd, and are non-refundable. Please review the schedule and attendance policy carefully before filling out the commitment form. If you have a conflict that would prevent you from attending on June 14th, please call the music office at (609) 631-4161, extension 3258 or send an email to jklek@hamilton.k12.nj.us.

Looking forward to an awesome season!

Jen Klek

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Nottingham Marching Unit Fees and Checklist

Please return with paperwork to your middle school band director by May 20th.

Update: All checks should be made payable to "NMUPA"

NAME: _____ Grade: _____

Membership Forms - Due May 20th	<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed
Shoe order form (\$40 per pair, due June 3rd) <i>Students can use the same pair of shoes all 4 years of marching unit. Shoes will be needed at all performances, and are highly recommended for band camp/rehearsals.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> I will send in payment separately (due June 3rd)
Checks made payable to "NMUPA"	
<u>Non-refundable</u> band camp fee – Due June 3rd \$50 for the first student, \$25 for each additional sibling. <i>This fee helps offset the cost of marching unit activities, including entrance fees to competitions, band camp t-shirts, transportation, meals/snacks, equipment, etc. It is NOT used to pay staff members.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> I will send in payment separately (due June 3rd)
Checks made payable to "NMUPA"	

Nottingham High School “Northstar” Marching Unit

Please check: New Member Returning Member Returning with updated information

Student Name	Primary Instrument	Grade
Street Address	Zip Code	Shirt Size
Parent/Guardian Email (for updates and notifications)		

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, PLEASE CONTACT:

Name		Relationship
Cell Phone #	Home Phone #	Work #
Name		Relationship
Cell Phone #	Home Phone #	Work #

PLEASE LIST ALL RELEVANT MEDICAL INFORMATION DIRECTORS AND STAFF SHOULD BE AWARE OF

I hereby grant permission for _____ to accompany a group of pupils and faculty chaperones to all **2017-2018 Nottingham Northstar Marching Unit and Band Activities**

(parent/guardian signature)

(date)

FORM IS CONTINUED ON BACK

The Course of Study requirements for "Concert Band" do not mandate that enrolled students participate in "Marching Band" to completely satisfy course requirements. Students however are strongly encouraged to participate with the Marching Unit.

Please initial the appropriate line:

_____ I have reviewed the proposed schedule for the 2017-2018 Fall Marching Band Season and anticipate NO major conflicts with the rehearsal or performance schedule and **WILL** participate as a member of the Nottingham Marching Unit.

_____ I have reviewed the proposed schedule for the 2017-2018 Fall Marching Band Season and **WILL** participate as a member of the Nottingham Marching Unit in addition to being part of a FALL SPORT. I understand that it is my responsible to coordinate with staff and coaches to split practice time evenly.

Sport: _____

Attendance Policy:

Just like any other team, the unit depends on having all of its players present for all practices and performances. Excused absences will be only granted for:

- a) Personal Illness with Doctor's note
- b) Bereavement

Please note that clubs, activities outside of Nottingham H.S, vacations, lack of transportation, and work will not be accepted as excused absences. Sports conflicts are only excused with advanced notice and coordination with staff/coaches to split practice time.

Multiple unexcused absences either in practices or performances may result in, but is not limited to: Being sidelined for performances, ineligibility for all trips and events (ex. Disney, Broadway, Band Banquet) and removal from group. Directors reserve the right to remove/suspend students from the group for disciplinary infractions.

Uniform Policy:

Students will be issued a uniform for the 2017 season, free of charge. It is the student's responsibility to care for the uniform. Cleaning instructions will be distributed at a later date. Any uniform damaged or not returned cleaned at the end of the season is subject to a replacement fee of up to \$400. Students are responsible for purchasing their own marching shoes and gloves, and the upkeep of any school owned instrument they may be using. Students may be responsible for any damage to school equipment caused by negligence or outside normal wear and tear.

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Nottingham High School “Northstar” Marching Unit

2017-2018 Tentative Schedule - SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!!!!!!!!

August 17	Thu	Freshman Band Members Only	9:00am-12:00pm
August 18	Fri	Fresh, Soph Band Only	9:00am-12:00pm
August 21-25	Week	Nottingham Band Camp	8:00am-4:00pm

Weekly Rehearsals - Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:30-5:30pm starting September 5th.
 Band Sectionals - Twice per month Wednesdays 2:30-4:00pm

Practices continue until the end of the football season.

			Event Time	Report Time	
September 8	Fri	@Hightstown	7:00pm	5:00pm	
September 16	Sat	Hopewell Valley	12:00pm	10:00am	
September 23	Sat	Ewing	12:00pm	10:00am	
September 28	Thr	@West Windsor Plainsboro No.	7:00pm	5:00pm	
October 7	Sat	West Windsor Plainsboro So.	2:00pm	12:00pm	SAT DATE
October 14	Sat	Notre Dame	12:00pm	10:00am	PSAT DATE
October 20	Fri	@Lawrence	7:00pm	5:00pm	
October 27	Fri	@Steinert (Night game)	7:00pm	5:00pm	
November 4	Sat.	Hamilton West	2:00pm	12:00pm	

Additional Playoff games to follow.

COMPETITIONS

TBA	Music in Motion @Steinert
September 30	USBANDS @Hamilton West

POSSIBLE COMPETITIONS - Will be finalized early September based on budget and other factors

September 16	USBANDS @Brick Memorial or Flemington
October 7	USBANDS @Jackson Memorial
October 14	USBANDS @Robbinsville or E. Rutherford
October 21	USBANDS @Hopewell Valley

May 28	Mon.	Memorial Day Parades	7:00am	TBA
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The Nottingham Marching Unit Proudly Presents Our 2017 Field Show...



First rehearsal:

JUNE 14th
7:00-8:00PM

NOTTINGHAM H.S. BAND ROOM

Please remember to bring your instrument, music, and all needed paperwork/payments

Band Shoes Order Form – Super Drill Masters

Band members are required to perform in marching shoes. Current marching band members may continue to use their old shoes, or may purchase a new pair.

Cost per pair is \$40 – All Checks Payable to NMUPA – ORDERS MUST BE COMPLETED AND PAID BEFORE JUNE 3rd

A limited number of lightly used shoes are available for free for families in need. Please contact a director.

NAME _____

IF PREFERRED SIZE IS NOT LISTED SELECT THE NEXT LARGEST SIZE. PLEASE CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

PLEASE SUBMIT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH STUDENT

Quantity	UNISEX SIZES	Quantity	UNISEX SIZES	Quantity	UNISEX SIZES
	Mens 3/Womens 5		Mens 8/Womens 10		Mens 12 Wide
	Mens 3.5/Womens 5.5		Mens 8.5/Womens 10.5		Mens 13
	Mens 4/Womens 6		Mens 9/Womens 11		Mens 13 Wide
	Mens 4.5/Womens 6.5		Mens 9.5/Womens 11.5		Mens 14
	Mens 5/Womens 7		Mens 10/Womens 12		Mens 14 Wide
	Mens 5.5/Womens 7.5		Mens 10.5/Womens 12.5		Mens 15
	Mens 6/Womens 8		Mens 11		Mens 15 Wide
	Mens 6.5/Womens 8.5		Mens 11 Wide		Mens 16
	Mens 7/Womens 9		Mens 12		Mens 16 Wide
	Mens 7.5/Womens 9.5				

PAYMENT ENCLOSED

PAYMENT TO BE TURNED IN SEPERATELY (DUE JUNE 3rd)