



Graduation 2013 (Performance!)

& Marching Band 2013-2014

Dear 6th & 7th Grade Band and Color Guard students and parents,

Friday, June 7th is Graduation Day. This performance has been on our music calendars since last year, and an important event in which we make the tradition of honoring our Redwood 8th graders through music as we will do for you in the upcoming years!

Our performers' presence is important to the group and to the success of this event. We know that those first few hours of summer are quite valuable, and we appreciate that they keep their commitment to spending them in celebration of our graduates, just as we will do for our 8th grade musicians when they in turn graduate in the upcoming years.

Students should report to the music room in full concert dress with his or her respective instrument/music or equipment by 3:00 PM.

Performance Attire for Band:

- *white dress shirt or blouse (sleeves may be rolled up)*
- *black slacks or long skirt*
- *black belt*
- *black socks*
- *black dress shoes*
- *(standard sunglasses are okay)*

Color Guard – we will discuss attire with Ms. Conway

The graduation ceremony starts at 4:00 PM. Students may be picked up between 5:30 and 6:00 PM after the final recessional is played and our equipment is put away (they may call home once they are excused from the music room).

Thank you all for a wonderful year. Have a safe and relaxing summer. Keep practicing, and see you in the Fall!

Mr. Jow

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Return ASAP. Thank you!

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Form 2: Marching Band 2013-2014

In addition to returning this confirmation page, please also fill out and return the marching band registration attached. All 7th and 8th grade Symphonic Band students perform as the Redwood Marching Band as a part of Symphonic Band Fall performance curriculum. This unique activity is a huge driving force in our group bonding, team-building and sets a positive tone to our year!

Since we kick off our marching season before the school year begins, it is helpful to have your most updated contact information so that we may keep in touch during the summer.

Students who have alternative plans and will not be returning to band next year should confirm with Mr. Jow at school before/after class, during break, or at lunch.

Marching band and color guard cannot happen without the help of you, our band parents! We are looking for some essential season-long parent volunteers to help us next year. Please refer to the back of this page for more information!

Thank you! We're looking forward to a great year come next semester!

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Redwood Band Camp 2013

Color Guard Edition

Thursday & Friday, August 8 & 9

9:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Redwood Middle School

Dear 2013-2014 Color Guard members and parents,

We hope that you are ready for the final push until summer vacation. We have had a fantastic time this year, and are already looking toward the great things that we have in store for next year!

Each student is an important member of our team and to keeping up the great traditions of our music program alive!

Starting on **Thursday, August 8th at 9:00 AM** we will begin assembling and building our Color Guard for our 2013 competitive marching season! All returning Guard "veterans," please have all of your basics reviewed and ready to go. Take note that the band camp schedule for color guard is slightly different than that of band. In place of the three extra days of summer that you get, we will have two workshop weekends once the school year begins in order to integrate our new 6th grade members into the team.

Some reminders:

- Be sure to dress appropriately for camp with good sports shoes and socks, keeping in mind the warm weather.
- Bring a good, healthy snack and water for break time.

We are very excited for what next year has in store, including the tough competition, high standards, and working with all of you to meet and surpass expectations!

We are always looking for new members! Please pass this word onto any and all friends who might be interested in joining us so that we can have a powerhouse group next year! Have them contact us for more information!

Please fill out and return the second (marching band/color guard registration) page of this letter so that we may contact you and your families this summer with more information as marching season comes closer.

Workshop weekends for Color Guard will be on the following dates:

August 24, 9:45-4:00 | August 25, Sunday, 12:30-4:00

September 7, Saturday, 9:45-4:00 | September 8, Sunday, 12:30-4:00

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us as soon as possible.

We are looking forward to a great 2013-2014 season with all of your talents and energy.

See you on the 8th!!!

Mr. Jow, Ms. Conway & Staff

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Redwood Middle School Marching Band & Color Guard Registration 2013-2014

Fee contributions cover instruction, supplies, uniform care, competition fees, transportation, and more. No student should be prevented from participating in any of our music programs due to economic difficulty. If fee contributions cause a financial problem, please let us know on the back of this form so we can work things out for your situation. Each and every student is very important to our success and welcomed to participate!

Registration for other programs including ensembles, jazz band, percussion, etc. will be handed out next Fall!

Thank you for writing clearly and legibly –

Student's Name: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Home Phones: Father: _____ Mother: _____

Cell Phone: Student: _____ Father: _____ Mother: _____

Father's Address: _____

Mother's Address: _____

* Student's E-mail: _____

* Father's E-mail: _____

* Mother's E-Mail: _____

School: Redwood Middle School Grade: _____

(for 2013-2014 school year)

Instruments (if applicable): _____

Marching Band **for all band and color guard** members: \$325 \$ _____ (acct 4221)
(Transportation, overall instruction & supplies)

Color Guard & Dance: \$275 (**added to Marching Band amount**) \$ _____ (acct 4226)
(Color guard-specific instruction & supplies)

Saratoga Music Boosters Membership \$ _____ (acct 4340)
Family Membership starts at \$50

Check here if you plan on paying at the beginning of next school year.
Please turn in this form before summer regardless of payment option!

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Saratoga Music Boosters (SMB)

* Thank you for using regularly-checked email addresses. All email addresses in mass group emails will be BCC'ed in respect of your privacy, and all information you provide will be kept private to the music program.

