



The Redwood Marching Band & Color Guard
Foothill Band Review
Saturday, October 22nd
Pleasanton, California

Dear Marching Band & Color Guard Parents and Students,

Just when you thought you could relax from marching band after the Santa Cruz Band Review, the Foothill Band Review is **this Saturday!**

As you know, this is our other big competition. **Please be sure to check your uniform and make sure it is in the very best condition possible and fits well. Hair on competition day should be neat and sit off of the uniform collar (color guard, please refer to instructions from Ms. Conway), and shoes must be spotless.**

*Please send your child with a healthy snack (**nut-free, please!!!**) for the bus rides (including the return trip if they would like) and money for lunch if they do not bring one. Students may also want to pack a snack and water for the bus ride home.*

Also, please keep track of our schedule so we **do not have students late in the morning**, or waiting for a long time to be picked up when we return to Redwood! *One tip that has helped many of our students has been to 1) set more than one alarm to wake you up in the morning and 2) partner up with another friend in band/color guard and designate each other as "**wake up buddies.**" One wake up buddy will call the other at a designated time to make sure both are awake and getting ready to report on time.*

As usual, we will need **at least 20 chaperones** for this event. Please volunteer if you are available. Your help is both needed and invaluable to our success!

If you have concerns or question, be sure to clear them up and get the answers as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support!
Mr. Jow, Ms. Conway, and your Redwood Music Department
(408) 867-3042 ext. 151

**** ** * * * * * THIS PAGE IS VERY IMPORTANT * * * * ***

Foothill Band Review Pre-Arrival Information

Please take the time to review and understand the following information. Your support helps to ensure that we will have a successful Saturday.

Please be sure that your student arrives at Redwood **no later** than **5:00 AM**, correctly dressed in uniform except for marching shoes (wear your day sneakers to report, marching shoes in your labeled plastic bag). **** NO MAKEUP, JEWELRY, WATCHES, ETC. WHILE IN UNIFORM ****
Full uniform is as follows:

MUSICIANS

1. **REDWOOD BAND UNIFORM.** Wear athletic shorts and a dark-colored T-shirt underneath (not overly baggy).
2. **BLACK MARCHING SHOES AND ALL-BLACK SOCKS.** These shoes need to be used only for band performances, otherwise it will be impossible to keep them looking sharp and clean. PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE ALL-BLACK CREW-LENGTH SOCKS.
3. **REDWOOD BAND SHAKOS (HATS)** will be distributed on the morning of the parade.
4. All students with long **hair** must have their hair "glued" to their heads so that it will fit into the top of their marching helmet!
5. A complete change of clothes (don't forget shoes!) for free time and money for lunch.

COLOR GUARD

1. **COLOR GUARD PANTS AND TUNIC.**
2. **BLACK SOCKS.**
3. **BLACK COLOR GUARD SHOES.**
4. **HAIR** should be arranged with two French braids and held back with gel or hairspray (no fly-aways!!!). *If you cannot get this done at home, arrive 15 minutes early in the morning with your hairbrush and your hair clean and combed down.*
5. A complete change of clothes (don't forget shoes!) for free time and money for lunch.

Please be sure to have all items prepared and ready when you arrive. We do several final preparations as a group in the morning, so when students arrive late or improperly prepared, it delays us significantly as we have to fix individuals and go over everything once again. Students should have the following things in hand when they arrive:

- **GARMENT BAG** with a tag with your student's name in the front slot (*do not forget your assigned uniform hanger*)
- **BACKPACK** or plastic bag with 1) a change of play shoes and socks, 2) other play clothes, 3) a healthy, clean and nut-free snack for the bus ride, 4) enough food for lunch or money (may be given to chaperone for safe-keeping until the post-parade free time) to purchase lunch and enjoy the Boardwalk in the afternoon.
- Please double check that your student remembers to bring extra shoes...walking around during free time in marching shoes is not fun (nor are they fun to give extra cleaning)!
- a **PLASTIC BAG with STUDENT NAME** for shoes storage (***DO NOT bring the shoe box that the marching shoes came in...save/keep this at home!***)

Redwood Band & Color Guard

Foothill Band Review 2011

Saturday, October 22, 2011

5:00 AM Arrive at Redwood completely and properly dressed in uniform (except shoes) with instruments equipment in good working order

** If you are a color guard member who is unable to prepare your hair correctly at home, please arrive at 4:45 with your hair brush and hair ties.

5:45 AM Load buses and truck

6:00 AM Leave for Pleasanton

7:00 AM Arrive in Pleasanton (Amador Valley High School) and unload

8:15 AM Parade competition warm-up

8:35 AM Report to formation

9:00 AM **Redwood competes in performance - Percussion competes at 9:08.**

9:15 AM Walk back to Amador Valley High School, return to buses, load instruments and equipment onto truck, change

c. 10:30 AM Free time in Downtown Pleasanton along parade route (lunch on your own)

c. 1:00 PM Meet back at buses
Depart for Foothill High School

c. 2:00 PM Arrive at Foothill High School, walk to stadium for awards, find seats

c. 3:00 PM Awards Ceremony at Foothill High School field

c. 4:00 PM Load buses & depart for Redwood. Students will call home with a "20 minutes until pickup" notice when we near school.

c. 5:00 PM Arrive at Redwood, all help unload the truck and meets in the music room for dismissal

*Families please note - if you have scheduled and cleared early release from Pleasanton for another commitment with Mr. Jow, both parent and student **must** see Mr. Jow after we are changed before any student may be legally released.*

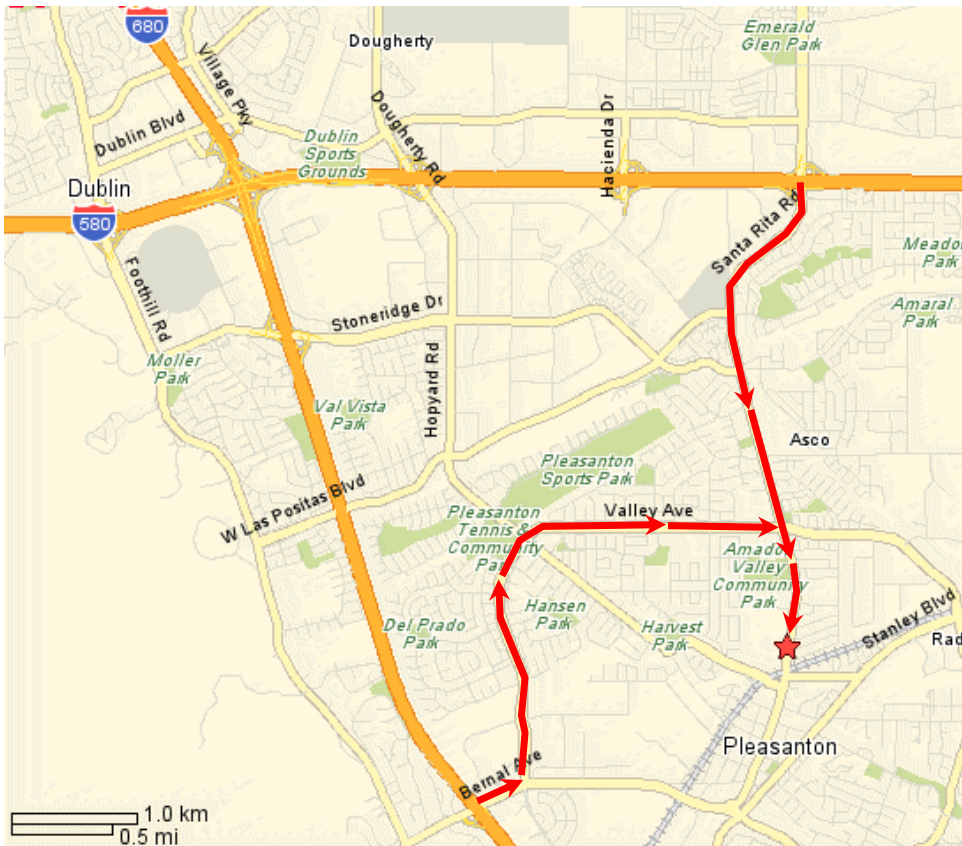
For student safety, no students will be released to parents who have not made prior agreement (at least 2 days before the event) with Mr. Jow.

Bus Route to Amador Valley High School

Address: 1155 Santa Rita Road

From 580 East or West:

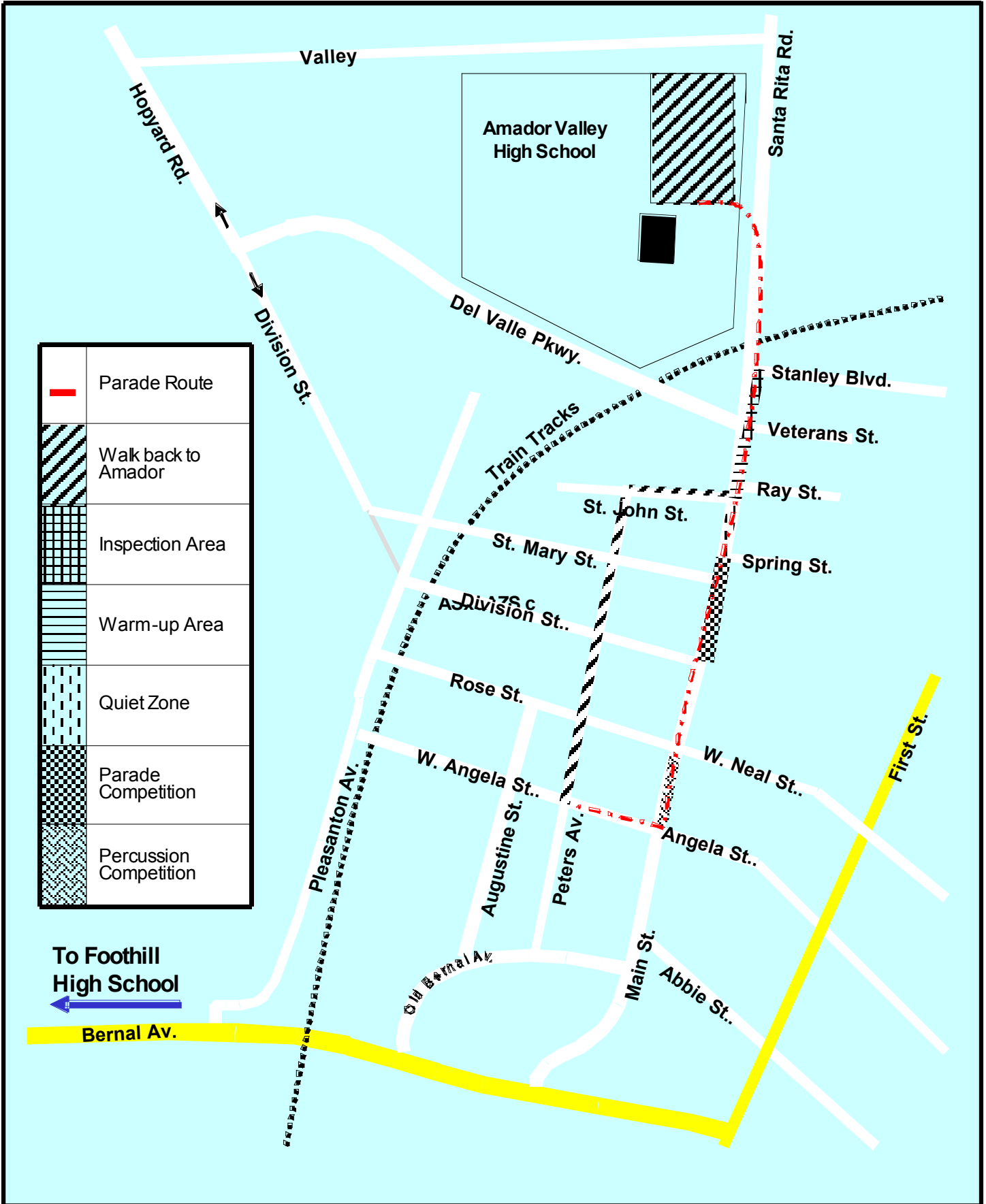
- Exit at Santa Rita/Tasajara Rd
- Go South on Santa Rita
- Follow Santa Rita for about 3 miles
- School Parking Lot is just past the Post Office on right



From 680 North or South:

- Exit At Bernal Av.
- Go East on Bernal Av.
- Make a Left On Valley Av. (appx 1/4 mile - 1st major cross street)
- Follow Valley All The Way To Santa Rita Rd.
- Turn Right onto Santa Rita Rd.
- School Parking Lot is just past the Post Office on right

2009 Foothill Band Review Parade Route



Directions from Amador to Foothill HS

- From Del Valle Parkway, turn Right on Hopyard Rd.
- Left on West Las Positas, cross over freeway
- Left on Foothill Rd. Foothill is on the left

ALTERNATE ROUTE:

- From Santa Rita Rd, turn Left on Stanley Blvd
- Right on First St
- Right on Bernal, cross under freeway
- Right on Foothill Rd.

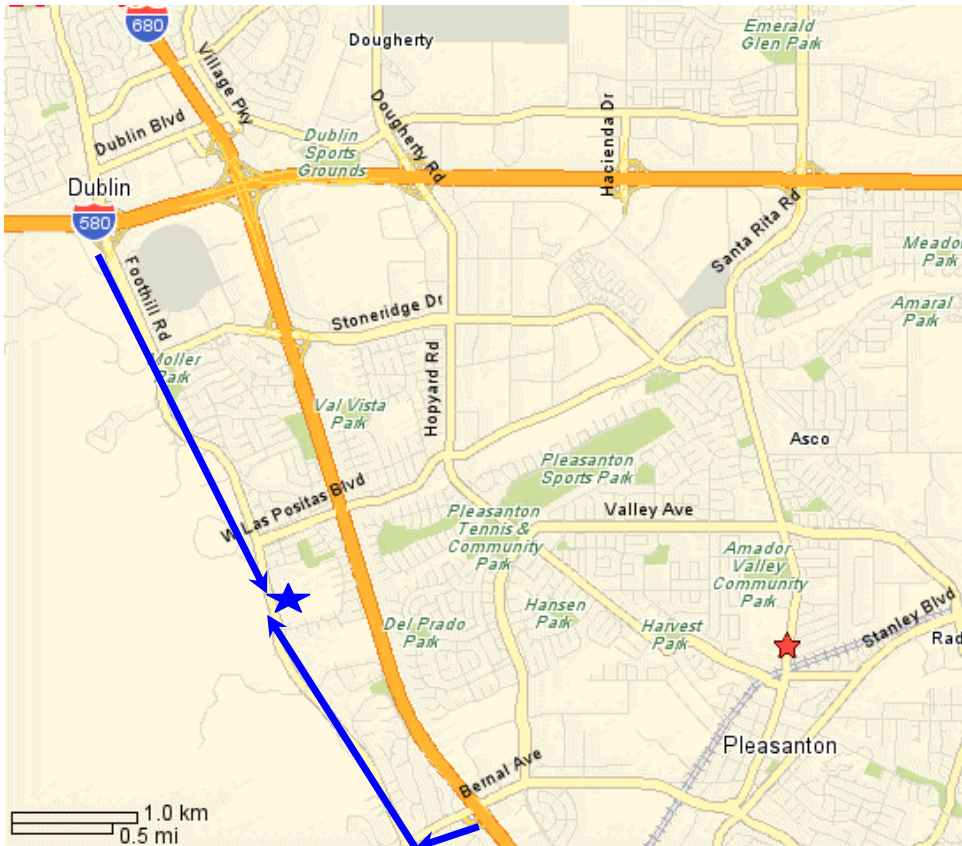


Directions to Foothill High School

Address: 4375 Foothill Road

From 580 East or West:

- Exit at Foothill/San Ramon Rd
- Go South on Foothill Rd
- Follow Foothill Rd for about 3 miles
- School Parking Lot is on the left



From 680 North or South:

- Exit at Bernal Ave.
- Go West on Bernal Ave.
- Make a Right on Foothill Rd. (approx 1/2 mile – T intersection)
- Follow Foothill Rd. for about 2 miles
- School Parking Lot is on the right

Chaperons

We cannot take this trip if we do not have enough chaperons. This is not a hard job, but we need to have plenty of help. Please volunteer if you can. We are unable to do any of the great things that we do without *your* help!

We will have 3 packed buses and will need at least 4 to 6 chaperons per bus. Other chaperons may drive their own cars and follow us. We will need at least 22 chaperones for the size of our band this year. It is our hope that all parents will take turns helping us out at each of these competitions.

Thank you for your enthusiasm and consideration!

If you are able to chaperon and have not yet done so, please contact our lead chaperon coordinator this year:

Mrs. Niti Agrawal
niti@stage4solutions.com