



# WELCOME TO BAND PARENT 101!

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First Name \*

Last Name \*

Email Address \*

Student's Full Name

Student's Email

My student is in: (Please mark all that apply)

Pride of Colgan Marching Band  
 Wind Symphony  
 Symphonic Band  
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## AGENDA

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## How Do I Get Information?

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## Subscribe to our weekly newsletter!

I have a question about rehearsals, games, etc....

Ask your student. Have your student ask their section leader or section mates.

Check the band calendar on the webpage. Refer to the weekly newsletter.

Contact the Band Director

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Instagram: @ColganBand

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## Finances

Treasurer: Amiee Gold

Contact: [treasurer@colganband.com](mailto:treasurer@colganband.com)

- **Membership Dues \$375**
  - **July 7:** Deposit (\$100) & online uniform order
  - **July 26:** \$125 payment due
  - **August 16:** Remaining balance is due \$150 (and \$25 senior fee)

<https://gocuttime.com>

- Payments open through CutTime (formerly Charms) on July 1st, 2024
- CutTime is used to track band finance accounts and make online payments
- You can pay band fees through CutTime and check the balance of your account.
- Cash with Student's Name or Check payable to CBB also accepted.



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## Marching Band

Marching Band Packet is LIVE as of today. Fill out google sheet link on page 1 of the packet. This Packet covers information for Marchers and Color Guard

Marching Band Camp is a day camp. It is 2 weeks. Dates are in Band Calendar.

Students must eat a healthy breakfast prior to being dropped off

Park your car in a parking spot. NO dropping off or picking up at curb and do not block crosswalks

Students bring a packed lunch and items listed in band packet so they will be comfortable, hydrated and safe from the sun

Students are given snacks (donated from parents-approved list is in packet).

Gatorade is provided by Band Boosters

There is a Parent Preview on the last day of Camp @ 5pm with an ice cream social to follow

Volunteers are needed so please keep watch in the newsletter for the links to the sign up genius

All marching band members are fitted for their uniforms and shoe sizes over the summer. Marchers will be fitted using a sign up genius and guard is fitted with CG Director at a separate meeting

Marchers/Guard will also need to order undergarment items through the Booster store between July 1-7. These include shirts, shorts, pants, socks, etc. Each marcher and guard member is given a water jug that is part of the uniform and must be at all rehearsals, games and competitions

Football & Competition Schedule is in Band Packet and in Band Calendar-expect changes

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## Schedules

### HOME GAME

2:10: School's out

2:30: Rehearsal on main field

4:00-4:30: Break starts

5:00 Dinner for provided for students

6:00-6:10: Line up, Warm-up in amphitheater, march to stadium\*

6:30-6:40: Pre-game at stadium

7:00: Game starts

Band performs at half-time

End of game :Band marches back, puts away uniforms and instruments and then leaves.

*\*Home Game Day Schedule is subject to change so please watch email for updates\**

*\*Only signed up volunteers enter with lanyard at no fee for home and away games and competitions\**

### AWAY GAME

2:10: School's out, students go home

EAT DINNER AT HOME

5:00 ish: Students report back to school to dress in uniforms, and load buses

6:15-6:30: Arrive at away school

7:00: Game starts

End of game :Band marches back to buses, returns to Colgan, puts away uniforms and instruments and then leaves.

*\*Report time dependent on distance of away school\**

*\*Students have the option of staying at school but they need to secure their own dinner\**

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### COMPETITIONS

Mr. Grant will rehearse with students 1 ½ hours, then the students will have a 1 hour break to eat a meal they brought with them, dress in their uniform, and load the buses (Known as Eat, Dress, Load).

Mr. Grant arrives at a competition 1 ½ hours prior to the performance time to unload, allow for a bathroom trip and warm up. The band will perform and then stay for the awards. Return time to Colgan will depend on the number of bands that perform after us and the travel time back to Colgan.

Since we are a bigger band we perform towards the end of a competition.

\*Early is on time, On time is late

Sample competition day at Spotsylvania HS, 8:00 pm performance time (1.5 hr. travel time)

2:30 pm Rehearsal starts on main field

4:00 pm Eat meal/ Dress in uniform/ Load buses

5:00 pm Departure from Colgan

6:30 pm Arrival at Spotsylvania HS

8:00 pm Performance

Wait for awards, load buses, travel 1 ½ hours back to Colgan

10:30-10:45 pm Approximate return to Colgan

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## Tag Day

Nicole McGee/Sandy & Jack Long

[tagday@colganband.com](mailto:tagday@colganband.com)

- August 24<sup>th</sup> Mark on family calendar for TAG DAY
- What *IS* Tag Day?
- How can parents help?
- What does a driver do on Tag Day?
- As a parent, why would I want to volunteer to be a driver?
- **All band students are required to participate in Tag Day.** If there is a personal conflict the student is responsible to be excused as soon as possible to request permission to miss Tag Day with the Band Director. One student unaccounted for on Tag Day affects an entire car of students and driver.

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# Colgan Classic Competition

Ryan Kehoe

[vicepresident@colganband.com](mailto:vicepresident@colganband.com)

- Saturday, September 21st

- **All students will be required to volunteer**

Students will be at Colgan all day (Around 8 am-6 pm) Family members will likely work shifts that volunteer to sign up

- (Parents sign up for either Tag Day or Colgan Classic)

- Walk-through Thursday evening, Sept. 19th (5-6pm)

- There are some great volunteer opportunities!

- Volunteer sign-ups will be live after band camp.

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Nana Hernandez

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- Marchers and Guard must arrive uniform ready: Marchers-Navy uniform shirt, gray uniform shorts, black knee socks and black marching shoes.
- All members hair (male and female) must be secured under the shako/beret or if CG styled according to CG Handbook
- No makeup, no nail polish and no jewelry is permitted in uniform other than what is permitted by CG Director
- Strict uniform rules on what can and can't be consumed while in uniform
- The uniform stays at school. Only the personal clothes and shoes go home for cleaning. Gloves should stay in garment bag with uniform



## Uniform Ordering

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- All registered parent emails will be emailed on June 30th indicating the Online Uniform Store is open July 1st-7th.
- You will click the link and order what you are required to have if you are a new marcher or new color guard. If you are a returning marcher or color guard and need items you will also order at this time.
- Indicate quantity of items needed, and sizes
- When you “Check Out” with your cart you will pay at this time.
- Uniform item shop will close July 7th. Nothing can be ordered after this time. Please ensure your orders are in promptly.
- Items will be distributed at Band Camp



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## Hospitality

Tracy Stevens

- Students are fed by Colgan Band Boosters at each Home Game. There are 5 home games
- Sign Up Genius will go out week before asking for volunteers that can assist in setting up, feeding, and cleaning up during the dinner hour
- Meals are typically; pizza, sub sandwiches, Chik Fil A, etc (please make note on Marching Band registration form any allergies so Hospitality can accommodate)
- Students are responsible for bringing their own packed dinner from home for away games (if they choose to stay at school rather than go home and return at 5pm) as well as a packed meal to eat on a Competition Day



## Stadium Crew

Tiffany Woodard/Arlette Medina

### **Home Games:**

Stadium Crew is responsible bringing igloo coolers of water to the stadium to refill water jugs. They also cover the bleachers with seat covers to keep uniforms dry and clean. They also clean up the band section after the home game and return equipment to Colgan.

### **Away Games/ Competitions:**

Stadium Crew transports coolers of water to take to location, covers the bleachers with seat covers if permitted, cleans up band section after event, and travels back to Colgan to put away equipment

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## Pit Crew

Ryan Gavel

### **Home Games:**

- Assist Students getting on to field
- Move PIT equipment back into band room after halftime
- Move Props (if applicable) on and off field & store after

### **Away Games:**

- Load/unload trailer with instruments, coolers, and other necessary equipment
- Stay for duration of game and repeat at school

### **Competitions:**

- Pick up/ Return rental truck
- Load equipment into trailer, props into truck at Colgan
- Unload equipment and props at Competition site
- Assist Students getting on to field
- Reverse equipment loading procedure

Pit Crew have Colgan Pit Crew shirts that they wear



## Spirit Wear

Janna Hull

- Official Pride of Colgan Spirit Wear is sold online on our custom designed webpage. Priced affordably for families to show band spirit. These are optional purchases. Apparel store is open several time throughout the season.

- Online store! Find out store link on [www.colganband.com](http://www.colganband.com)
- Letter jacket sales are good fundraiser for band and are available on link on our website

**Janna would love a parent volunteer to work with her this year!**

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## Band Season

- Students will be placed in one of the 3 Colgan Bands
- **Concert Band** is for Freshman or Band members that have already completed Concert Band and want to learn a new instrument. Percussion Ensemble is for percussion students that are a part of Concert Band but it is a separate period than Concert Band.
- **Symphonic Band** is the Band above Concert Band
- **Wind Symphony** is the highest level of Band at CHS and student's audition with the Band Director in the Spring to determine if they will be placed.  
There are several Band Concerts throughout the year. Please watch the Band Calendar and info in the newsletter!

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## Band Season

- Band Students will also need to purchase Concert Attire
- A form will be sent home as well as available on [www.colganband.com](http://www.colganband.com), and in the weekly newsletter
- Send your student in with the form and payment on the day they are measured
- Tuxedos or Dresses are the 2 options for Concert Attire
- Measurement dates are during the students band period at the end of August
- Payments can be made through CutTime or by check payable to CBB

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## Ensembles and Winter Guard

There are other opportunities after Marching Band is over!

**-Jazz Band** is very popular and is by audition. The Jazz Director will place students either in Jazz Band or Jazz Ensemble based on their audition. There is no fee for Jazz Band. Rehearsals are one time per week after school after Marching Band season is over

**-Percussive Shark Society** is for interested percussionists. Auditions are held and students are placed to play both ensemble pieces and/or solo pieces if they wish. Rehearsals are one time per week once Marching Band season is over

**-Winter Guard** also begins once Marching Band season is over. Students audition and are placed. There is travel with Indoor Guard and there is a fee of about \$500 for the season. Students must be able to provide their own transportation to competitions (car pool etc)

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# Volunteers

- **Why Do We Need Volunteers?**

- Our band is large and our volunteers keep it running smoothly.

- **When**

- Band Camp-Set-up, support throughout the day, clean-up
- Home games -Uniform room, hospitality, stadium crew, pit crew
- Away games-Uniform room, stadium crew, pit crew
- Competitions- Uniform room, stadium crew, pit crew
- Tag Day- Drivers, Admin, Food preparation
- Colgan Classic- Volunteers needed for shifts throughout the day as well as lead positions

- **How**

- You may sign up using the Sign-Up Genius link that is in the weekly email.
- Don't worry if you don't know how to do a job! There is always someone who will show you the ropes!
- If you need to change your sign-up, simply go to your confirmation e-mail and choose edit my sign-up.

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# Volunteers

**Colgan Band Boosters currently has positions that need to be filled:**

## **Elected Board Positions:**

Vice President of Fundraising

## **Non Elected Positions**

Middle School Liaison

Senior Recognition

Uniform Ordering

## **Current Leads that would like a volunteer or 2 to work with them this year to take over**

### **next year:**

Band Camp

Concert Attire

Spirit Wear

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## Volunteers

Colgan Band Boosters also requires some volunteers to take Lead Positions for Colgan Classic positions that will be vacant due to Seniors graduating or need extra support

### These positions are:

**Volunteer Registration**

**Volunteer Support**

**Traffic Lead**

**All current positions will help and assist for a smooth transition and more than one person can sign up as Co-Leaders (Many hands make light work!!)**

**If you would like more information about any of the positions discussed tonight, please walk up to any of us to discuss or sign up at the Volunteer Interest Table here tonight!**

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## Questions?

- Questions with specific committee members-Volunteers will be up front
- Sign up table- Volunteers will be there to answer questions about any of the volunteer opportunities available
- Spirit Wear Items -apparel items will be available in August. Store is currently open. Information is in newsletter for Band Store.
- Uniform Items on display for sizing

Thank you so much for coming! Please email if you have any questions

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