## 2019-20 Hooks High School Band Highlights and Hand book overview

For those of you returning to the Hooks High School band: WELCOME BACK! The information below outlines the major information to be aware of:

The afternoon school rehearsal this year will be as follows:

- o Monday 5:30-8:00 full band
- 1 hours sectionals each week (TBA)

1<sup>st</sup> period band will begin at 7:50 this year, 10 minutes prior to the normal school day. Students will need to be in the band hall no later than 7:45 to get their instruments and head to the parking lot.

Each student needs to provide a plain, white t-shirt. Please have this by the Watermelon supper.

On Friday evening, August 30<sup>th</sup>, we will have a practice and tailgate party prior to the first football game. We will keep the band on campus from the time school is out until the game. The band will practice after school, eat, clean horns, and learn the ins and outs of football games as well as how to properly pass inspection!

We will attend 5 marching contest this year including one on the Monday of Columbus Day. Please mark your calendars.

Beginning Wednesday, we will have our annual Restaurant Card Fund Raiser. Students are asked to have 10 phone number and or email address turned in on the sheet tomorrow. Wednesday afternoon, the students will have time to go sell and we will have prizes for the team that sells the most!

Attendance both at school and at after school rehearsals is one of the most important things we stress and one of the greatest battles we fight. Although each student is absence is dealt with on an individual basis, we generally adhere to a "three strikes and you're out rule". If a student skips (unexcused absence) three after school rehearsals, we will most likely drop them from the show. Missing Monday night rehearsals for any reason will most likely result in being benched from halftime the following Friday.

Please do not use "family emergency" as an excuse for an absence. Any emergencies should be communicated to Mr. Kelly or one of the staff. Should you not feel comfortable sharing personal information with any of the band staff, please contact Ms. Shannon or Mr. Garrett and share the information with them. They will director the band staff to excuse the absence or not.

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Additionally, for those who are new to the Hooks Band, we'd like to draw your attention to these specific items in the band handbook:

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