

To All 2019 Kellis Marching Band Members,

Welcome to the 2019 marching band season at Kellis High School. We are looking forward to a great year. The 2019 Band Camp and rehearsal schedule is on the back of this page. It is extremely important that all students attend band camp and rehearsals (and be on time). Students will be learning the music, marching basics, and some of the field show during camp. Students that are not at band camp will not be included in the drill. This year's marching show is "Against All Odds." The show deals with encountering and overcoming obstacles. The music will include original music composed for our band and an arrangement of High Hopes by Panic at the Disco. Please follow this link to find the recordings and sheet music for this year's show: <https://tinyurl.com/AgainstAllOdds19> Please also complete this information survey as soon as possible so that we have the most up to date information. <https://tinyurl.com/KMCSummerSurvey>

The Arizona Interscholastic Association and the Peoria Unified School District require that high school students register annually to participate in athletics and marching band. Only fully registered and approved students are permitted to tryout, compete, and/or attend practices, camps, and clinics. You must use the district physical evaluation and physical examination forms. All required forms and registration information are available online at: <https://www.peoriaunified.org/domain/1859> If you do not have access to a computer or have questions, please Contact Sharon Gearty at 623-412-5430. **Please complete all registration steps by Wednesday, July 17.**

Every student will need the following things for band this summer and fall:

1. A good attitude
2. Instrument (Percussionists need to bring the appropriate sticks or mallets.)
3. A 3-ring notebook and several sheet protectors (music & drill will be kept in this.)
4. Comfortable, but appropriate clothing (Sneakers or tennis shoes need to be worn at all marching rehearsals.) We will be marching at all rehearsals.
6. Water Bottle- Students need water every time they are with band.
7. The enclosed order form with payment. A Booster Club representative will be available during band camp to take orders, payments, and answer questions. Orders need to be turned in by the end of band camp so that we can get everything ordered on time. Because different members need different things, there is one form for Color Guard members and one form for Wind and Percussion Members. Please be sure to fill out the correct form.

There will be a parent meeting on Wednesday, July 24 at 8:00pm. We will be performing at Freshman Orientation the morning of Friday, August 2. We will also be performing at the Peoria District Opening of Schools Ceremony on the morning of Monday, August 5.

If you will need to rent a school instrument for this school year, please be aware that there is a \$50 rental fee associated with school instrument use. We have a limited number of instruments available.

If you are a new student who was not in band at RSK, Country Meadows, or Sun Valley last year, please email Mr. Garrison at ngarrison@pusd11.net with the following information (Name, Grade, Instrument or section that you are wanting to take part in.) If you are not planning on being in band, please email that information as well.

KMC Booster Club is the parent organization that supports the Kellis music department. Band Camp volunteers are needed. If you are available, or have any questions about the order form, email us at boosters@kellismarchingcorps.com

Mr. Garrison
Raymond S. Kellis High School

ATTENDANCE AT ALL EVENTS IS REQUIRED

(Dates subject to change as deemed necessary by Mr. Garrison)

Summer Band Rehearsals and Performances

(Band Camp)-Held on RSK Campus

Monday, July 22 **through** Friday, July 26 (1:00pm-9:00pm)

(The first two days (7/22 and 7/23) are required for new members, leadership, drumline, and colorguard. Returning brass and woodwind members are also encouraged to attend.)

Monday, July 29 **through** Wednesday, July 31 (1:00pm-9:00pm)

Friday, August 2 (We will be performing during the freshman orientation event held during the morning on this date.)

Monday, August 5 (We will be performing at the district opening of schools ceremony during the morning on this date.)

Weekly Evening Rehearsals

All rehearsal will run from 6pm-9pm

These will be held on Monday nights beginning from August 12 through November 4.

These will occur every Monday, **including holidays: (9/2 and 10/14). There will also be a rehearsal on Friday, November 8 if there is not a playoff football game that night.**

Weekly Band Sectionals (for brass and woodwind members)

Sectionals are 2:30pm-3:30pm every Wednesday starting August 14.

Weekly Percussion and Guard Sectionals

Percussion and Guard sectionals will be on Saturday mornings beginning on August 10.

They generally run from 10am-12pm but sometimes must be adjusted depending on our performance schedule when we have festivals.

Football Games

The band will be attending, and performing at, **all** Kellis football games. There will be a football game **every** Friday from August 30 through November 1. The band will also go to any playoff games that the football team plays in. These can go into late November or early December. The regular season schedule is listed here:

August 30-Home vs. Goldwater	September 6-Away vs. Campo Verde
September 13-Home vs. Fairfax	September 20-Home vs. Casteel (Homecoming)
September 27-Home vs. Independence	October 4-Away vs. Sunnyslope
October 11-Away vs. Sunrise Mountain	October 18-Away vs. Apollo
October 25-Home vs. Centennial	November 1-Away vs. Ironwood

Marching Band Competitions

The band will perform at 6 marching band festivals this fall. Plan on these being all day events. The schedule is provided below:

September 28-NAU in Flagstaff

October 5-Mesquite High School in Gilbert

October 19-Ironwood Ridge High School near Tucson

October 26-Sunrise Mountain High School in Peoria

November 2-Youngker High School in Buckeye

November 9-AZMBA Championships in the East Valley (There are two possible sites depending on which division we are in.)