B.H.S. Band Mini-Camp 2019

On Friday, May 17, 2019 all Beavercreek Band and Color Guard members in grades 8-11 are invited to participate in an evening-long mini-camp held at Beavercreek High School. Minicamp is the perfect event for all band and guard students who will be attending Beavercreek High School in the 2019-2020 school year. Some students can't wait until minicamp each year because it is the official start of another marching band season. Mini-camp is equally great for those students who say they don't like marching band, or don't think they want to continue in band, or don't think they are good enough to play at the high school level. It is a wonderful, no-commitment way to experience what The Beavercreek High School Marching Band has to offer. Students can come out for the evening and see for themselves what the band is all about.

Every year we have a number of students who come to mini-camp knowing that there is no way they plan to be a part of the high school band, yet somehow by the end of that one mini-camp session they feel like they have found a new home and a new excitement about band. It is fun to hear our upperclassmen talk about their mini-camp experience, and how it changed their entire way of thinking about band, and school in general. Let's just say that this one evening is a very good investment in a student's future. The camp is free and open to all students.

I am often asked by parents if they should force their child to come. My answer is always **YES!** Just get them to the high school, and then I have one evening to "turn them on to band and color guard."

The schedule is as follows:

4:00 p.m. Registration in high school band room

4:30 p.m. General meeting in band room

4:45 p.m. Marching basics

5:30 p.m. Dinner provided by the H.S. Band (Pizza & Drinks)

6:15 p.m. Music and Color Guard rehearsals

7:00 p.m. Parent meeting in band room

8:30 p.m. Demonstration in the field house for all parents and friends

9:00 p.m. Camp ends

All students should bring their instruments. The high school band will provide instruments for tenor and bari saxes (bring reeds), french horns, baritones, tubas, and all percussion and color guard equipment.

All students should wear cool, comfortable clothes and athletic shoes for the day. No sandals or flip-flops please! Be ready for any kind of weather, and use sun screen! Be sure you have eaten a good snack before you arrive. We will be working pretty hard before dinner.

I hope to see you on Friday May 17 at Mini-Camp 2019!