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To all Graham Band Parents and Students:

Although we are only a few weeks into summer vacation it's that time of the year to start thinking about the 2014-15 Marching Band season. I am extremely excited to get back to the grind and get another season underway!

I am sending this letter in hopes to keep everyone as informed as possible about our summer band season so that everything will run efficiently.

Please be sure to check the new and improved Graham Band website regularly for any updates that may be posted with regards to the upcoming season. Most of the information you will receive will be via the website. On the website you will also find a link to a calendar that is up-to-date with our schedule for summer rehearsals and performances throughout the fall. You will also soon find a "Forms" page that will include all forms that are needed prior to the season.

Website URL: grahamband.weebly.com

The best way to keep up with the website is to sign up for my "Remind 101" text message/e-mail reminders. Every time that I make a significant update to the website, I will send an alert to everyone signed up to the service. I have included in this mailing instructions on how to sign up for this service if you have not already done so. The service is free to sign up for and regular text message rates apply.

This summer, I will be holding two brief, mandatory meetings for EVERY member of the marching band for the 2014-15 season. Each member and a parent/guardian will be required to attend only ONE of these meetings as they will both be covering the same material. These meetings will take place on Monday, July 7 and Monday, July 14 at 6:00 PM in the High School Band room. Please choose one of these meetings to attend. It is important to be in attendance so that you receive all of the medical/physical forms and information about the season. You will also receive the Handbook and Handbook contract that will be a requirement for participation in the summer and fall.

Finally, included in this envelope is an order form for the basic fees that will be required for the season. Please note that this year, each student will be required to purchase new shoes and shorts in order to improve our appearance as a uniform group. If you would like, you may turn this form in at the mandatory summer meeting along with cash or a check made out to the "Graham Band Parent Organization." This will make everyone's job a lot easier and allow for quicker ordering. Payments for these items must be made by the first performance (Aug. 3.)

Marching Band Fees/Uniform Orders

Please help our treasurer properly apply payments to the correct expense/income categories by completing this check-off listing with your payments. Your check or money order should total all items you have checked off, or please indicate if you want the amount taken from your student account. Your checks can be made to the GBPO (Graham Band Parents Organization.) Our Address for mailing the payment is: GBPO, PO Box 365, St. Paris, OH 43072.

_____ **Band Camp \$195**

_____ **Summer Uniform Polo \$35**

___X___ **Summer Uniform Shorts \$12 (NEW)**

_____ **Spats (S-XL \$7; XX-XXXL \$8)**

_____ **Gloves \$2**

___X___ **Shoes \$50 (2 Pair) (NEW)**

_____ **Uniform Cleanings \$35**

_____ **One Case Bottled Water*****

_____ **Optional Sweatshirt - _____ 7 oz. \$19 _____ 9 oz. \$24**

***** Each student will also be required to provide at least one case of Bottled Water for the season. If you can provide more, that would be excellent!**