Dear Grenadier Students and Parents,

The word was given today that we are now allowed to have the full band perform at the three remaining football games. While this is very exciting news for us, we realize that it is short notice and leaves many of you with numerous questions, especially those who are new to the program. Please take the time to read the information below. If you have any further questions, or if we have missed something, please reach out to us. Our hope is that ALL students can participate and that everyone is comfortable with the steps being taken to ensure the safety for all!

## **Football Games**

Friday, October 9th - vs. Bethlehem Catholic @ 7pm Friday, October 23rd - vs. Nazareth @ 7pm Saturday, October 31st - vs. Freedom @ 1pm

# Who is invited to participate?

EVERYBODY! This includes the eClassroom students, and all hybrid students. We know that some students may not be comfortable in the large group setting and we want to be respectful of that. If you do not feel comfortable participating in the games, please reach out to the directors.

## **Reporting Information**

All students will report to Liberty High School before games. We will split into Band Group A and B, and students will report to their in-school locations. Report time for this Friday will be at 5:45pm.

## Tickets

Due to the number of spectators allowed in the stadium, the Athletic Department can only provide enough tickets for the Seniors and Juniors. Those students are allowed up to 2 tickets per family. Tickets are for parents/guardians only. Please email Mr. Long (<u>klong@basdschools.org</u>) with your ticket requests...2 tickets, 1 ticket, or none. All Seniors and Juniors must email Mr. Long by Thursday morning.

## What will the Band be wearing?

Each member of the Band will be issued a red t-shirt, compliments of the Athletic Department. eClassroom students will be issued their shirt when they arrive on Friday. Students should wear jeans (without holes). No shorts. Majorettes will wear their section gear.

Knowing that the weather gets chilly during games, students are encouraged to wear long sleeves under their shirt. Students may also wear sweatshirts and/or jackets as the evening goes on.

NO pieces of the uniform will be worn, including berets.

Masks will be worn AT ALL TIMES when not playing!

All games are televised and the Band is on tv during the entire game. Students need to remember that. Though we won't be wearing uniforms, our appearance is still very important!

#### What safety measures are being taken?

The Band will be seated in a socially distanced manner, taking up the entire middle section of the stadium bleachers, from the first row to the very top.

Students will sit every other row, with rows being staggered so that students are not playing directly at another student.

Buckets will be provided for brass sections to dump spit. Those buckets will be dumped and cleaned after each performance.

Once students are seated, they will not be up and moving around. There will be no 3rd quarter break, so the Band will remain in place for the entire game.

#### **Band Merchandise**

Band Merchandise (sweatshirts, t-shirts, hats, etc.) will be available for purchase from the Band Parents soon! Stay tuned for more information!

In closing, we are excited to get this news that we can finally play together as a full band. We have not played together since March, and in all actuality, this year's band has not played together at all! The playing of the Liberty High School Alma Mater and the Star-Spangled Banner will be the first notes sounded together by this year's Grenadier Band. We hope all of our students can join us.

Again, please reach out to us if you have any concerns, issues, or questions.

Go Canes!

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