

## 2016 ETHS Wildkit Marching Band - Commitment Sheet

*ALL MARCHING BAND MEMBERS, PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN MAY 2ND 2016*

*Please Print Clearly:*

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Count me in the Marching Band! I checked all of the dates below against my home calendar and I can be at all marching band practices and events!

OR

I want to be in, but I MUST miss the following date(s) for the following reason(s) - Please check the boxes below for the date(s) you have a conflict and provide an explanation on the line.

### *Fundamentals of Marching and Musicianship & July 4th Parade Preparation*

Our June and early July rehearsals are designed to introduce or review marching fundamentals with our new and returning members. This helps us to prepare for the annual July 4th Parade and lays a solid foundation of skills used throughout our entire fall season. We will not penalize students for missing part of this rehearsal time or the July 4th Parade, however all members are expected to attend if they are in town and do not have conflicts.

<input type="checkbox"/> Mon/Tues/Wed June 13th - 15th	6:00 - 8:30 p.m.	New Marcher Orientation w/ Section Leaders & All Percussion/Color Guard Mini Camp
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday June 16th	6:00 - 8:30 p.m.	All Marching Band Parade Rehearsal
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday June 22nd	6:00 - 8:30 p.m.	All Marching Band Parade Rehearsal
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday June 23rd	6:00 - 8:30 p.m.	All Marching Band Parade Rehearsal
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday June 29th	6:00 - 8:30 p.m.	All Marching Band Parade Rehearsal
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday June 30th	6:00 - 8:30 p.m.	All Marching Band Parade Rehearsal
<input type="checkbox"/> Monday July 4th	11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	July 4th Parade

### *Band Camp*

Band Camp takes place in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin at George Williams College as well as at home at ETHS. Band Camp is required for all Marching Band members. Please note - one week of Band Camp is equal to over 14 weeks of instruction during a normal school day schedule, making each day equal to nearly 3 weeks! We learn 60-70% of our show during this time, so band camp is mandatory for all members.

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday August 8th - Friday August 12th	All Day	Band Camp Week 1 (At George Williams College, WI and at ETHS)
<input type="checkbox"/> Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs August 15th - 18th	6:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Band Camp Week 2 (Entirely at ETHS)

### *Performances*

The ETHS Wildkit Marching Band will present more public performances and be seen by more spectators than the vast majority of other performing arts groups at ETHS. In addition, the halftime show we will be learning for performances is incredibly intricate and dependent upon all of the students it is uniquely written for. Because our show is custom written for our specific members annually, absences are truly impactful. While we will excuse student absences in alignment with the school absence policy as outlined in the Pilot, we ask all of our students and families to schedule around Marching Band commitments when possible out of respect for all of the students in the organization.

<input type="checkbox"/> Friday August 19th	4:00 p.m.	Football Orange and Blue Scrimmage
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday August 26th	4:00 p.m.	Football Game #1 vs. Hubbard High School
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday September 2nd	4:00 p.m.	Football Game #2 vs. Foreman High School
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday September 3rd	TBA	Band Day at Northwestern University
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday September 15th	4:00 p.m.	Evanston Day Pep Rally with Northwestern University Marching Band
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday September 16th	4:00 p.m.	Football Game #3 vs. Barrington High School
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday September 30th	4:00 PM	Football Game #4 vs. Niles North High School
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday October 1st	TBA	Northern Illinois University Marching Festival with Phantom Regiment
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday October 9th	9:00 a.m.	Marengo Settler's Day Parade and Marching Festival
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday October 21st	4:00 p.m.	Football Game #5 vs. Maine South SENIOR NIGHT
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday October 26th	7:00 p.m.	Fall Music Festival Concert
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday October 28th	School Day	D65 Band Day

I hope to participate in the following fall sport, which *may* conflict with Marching Band (Please Circle All That Apply):  
 JV or Varsity Football    Volleyball    Golf Team    Tennis    Swimming/Diving  
 Cross Country    Soccer    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I expect to participate in (Please Circle All That Apply):  
 MYA    Merit Music    CYSO    Dance    Theatre    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note:**

Athletes, Dancers, and other additionally committed students are a vital and welcome part of our Marching Band! Out of respect for all of our students, we expect you to compare your sport/extra curricular calendar & practice schedules with our marching band calendar and alert us of conflicts in advance so that we may maintain a great experience for all of our students.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**BAND UNIFORM QUESTIONS:** Approximate Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Approximate Weight: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Shoe Size: \_\_\_\_\_

With this document, you are committing to a full season (6/13 – 10/30) with the Wildkit Marching Band, and are expected to fulfill all obligations for performance, since your position in the group will be unique. You also realize that this graded school obligation and related performances should take precedence over any extra-curricular activities, travel plans, or work, so please plan ahead and keep on top of your schedule.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: [www.ethsbands.com](http://www.ethsbands.com)  
 OR EMAIL: [bufism@eths.k12.il.us](mailto:bufism@eths.k12.il.us)

FOR A FULL CALENDAR, INCLUDING REHEARSALS, VISIT: [www.ethsbands.com/calendar/marching\\_band\\_calendar.html](http://www.ethsbands.com/calendar/marching_band_calendar.html)

Thank you, and I look forward to a great season!

*Matthew P. Bufis*

Matthew P. Bufis - Marching Band Director