

Welcome to the 2019 Marching Millionaire Season!

So your child wants to join the Marching Millionaires? We bet that you didn't realize that the Marching Millionaires are not just a student activity, but a parent activity as well. The WAHS Band Association are the parents behind the band. We run the concession stand, fundraise for the operational costs of the band, chaperone during competitions, and so much more. We would love for you to be a part of it! Marching band is about more than just music – it's about fun, friends, and forming a band family. The Williamsport Area High School Band Association's success is a product of everyone working together as one unit to form ideas and make these ideas become reality.

There are plenty of ways that you can get involved – starting NOW!

Join the Band Association!

The WAHS Band Association holds monthly board meetings to which all parents and significant others of band students can meet to discuss all things BAND. We meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the WAHS Band Room. It's a great way to get to know parents and discuss how we can better help the students in the Marching Millionaires succeed!

Get Connected!

There are plenty of ways that you can receive updates and communications throughout the year. It is extremely important that we have contact information for parents so we can keep you up-to-date on the band. During the marching season, we send out a weekly schedule letting students and parents know travel itineraries, and other important info. To make sure you are receiving these communications, follow these easy steps.

- 1) Like our Facebook Page WAHS Marching Millionaires (@wahsmmband).
- 2) Sign up to receive emails on our website. Visit www.marchingmillionaires.org and visit the "Membership" section to sign up to receive communications. Please fill out one form for each parent who wants to receive communications.

Help Out!

We actually begin our Concession Stand Season in early April when track starts. We open the concession stand for all home meets for WAMS and WAHS. We are always in need of parents (and even students!) to help out during these meets. These meets are significantly less busy than football games, so they are a great opportunity to get some experience in the concession stand before football season under a lot less stress than we'll see in the fall. A list of all the home track meets are attached. We would love to see you there! Before we start track season, we will be having a Concession Stand Cleanup Day on Saturday, March 9th at 1:00 pm. Feel free to stop by, introduce yourself and see what the concession stand is all about!

If the concession stand isn't your thing, don't worry! There are plenty of other opportunities to help out! Reach out to one of the Band Association Board Members and we can discuss other opportunities. You might have just the skills we've been looking for!

Get Clearances!

For the safety of all our students, we do ask our volunteers to get the clearances necessary to volunteer with children. Clearances are required for any volunteer that will have direct contact with the students. We require volunteers to obtain a Report of Criminal History from the Pennsylvania State Police and a Child Abuse History Clearance from the PA Dept. of Human Services. Both of these are available at no charge for volunteers. And the good news is that once you receive them, they are valid for 5 years (60 months), so you should only need to do this once. Please visit www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov to learn more and begin the process. If you already have clearances, please email those to secretary@marchingmillionaires.org.

Ask Questions!

Most of the Board Members have been doing this awhile, so sometimes we forget that you're not just born knowing everything there is to know about being a Band Parent. If you're feeling overwhelmed trying to decide where you can help, or if you're just not sure what's going on, please don't hesitate to ask us. We're always happy to hear from parents and keep you engaged in what we do. Email addresses for the Executive Board of the Band Association are listed below. Please use them whenever you need to.

Lastly, we'd like to say thank you for taking the time to be a part of this amazing organization. We can't wait to make this season better than the last, and we can't do that without you!

Sincerely,

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2019 Track Schedule

Boys Varsity

Tuesday 04/09/19 *Jersey Shore Area HS Home 4:00 PM
Wednesday 05/01/19 *Danville Area HS Home 4:00 PM
Saturday 05/04/19 9th/10th Grade PHAC Meet Home 10:00 AM
Tuesday 05/07/19 *Mifflinburg Area HS Home 4:00 PM
Thursday 05/16/19 District IV Meet Home 6:00 PM
Saturday 05/18/19 District IV Meet Home 9:00 AM

Girls Varsity

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Wednesday 05/01/19 *Danville Area HS Home 4:00 PM
Saturday 05/04/19 9th/10th Grade PHAC Meet Home 10:00 AM
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Coed Middle School

Monday 04/08/19 Shamokin Area JH Home 4:30 PM
Thursday 04/11/19 Central Mountain MS Home 4:30 PM
Monday 04/15/19 Altoona Junior High School Home 4:30 PM
Wednesday 04/17/19 Loyalsock Twp MS Home 4:30 PM
Tuesday 04/23/19 State College Area HS Home 4:30 PM
Monday 04/29/19 Bald Eagle Area HS Home 4:30 PM