



# PARADE REST...

Newsletter of the Gulf Breeze Band Booster Association

PRIDE!

September 2019

Band Website:

[www.gbhssoundwave.com](http://www.gbhssoundwave.com)

**If You're Keeping Time...**

## **SEPTEMBER**

**9/9** Front Ensemble Rehearsal - Additional Sectionals for Winds, Percussion & Guard As Needed, 4-7pm

**9/10** Marching Band Rehearsal - Winds, Battery & Guard Only, 4-7pm

**9/10** Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

**9/12** Marching Band Rehearsal - All Members, 4-7pm

**9/13** Gulf Breeze vs Booker T. Washington HS (AWAY), District Game, 7-10pm

**9/14** Day of Percussion, Escambia HS, All Day

**9/16** Front Ensemble Rehearsal - Additional Sectionals for Winds, Percussion & Guard As Needed, 4-7pm

**9/17** Marching Band Rehearsal - Winds, Battery & Guard Only, 4-7pm

**9/19** Marching Band Rehearsal - All Members, 4-7pm

**9/20** Gulf Breeze vs Escambia HS (AWAY), District Game, 7-10pm

## *From the Top*

Band Booster President

Greetings Sound Wave Family!

I would like to welcome our freshman and new band families to the Sound Wave! It's a pleasure to have you as part of our band family! If you haven't met her yet, I am happy to introduce our new Director of Bands, Victoria Donahoo! We appreciate all of her hard work as she adjusts to GBHS as well as that of her support staff, Tyler Loncher, Royce Harrison and Quentin Bagby. I have heard many compliments about the band, the new summer uniforms and the halftime show. These talented students are rising above, showing that they don't just carry on during transition, but they can thrive! Fun Facts: There are 25 sets of siblings currently in the band which means 37% are related to another band member! 10% of the band are younger siblings of Gulf Breeze Sound Wave (GBSW) alumni! There are 35 students (26%) in the class of 2020! I don't recall a senior class that big! That's dedication!!

We are well into marching season. Thank you to the parents that have volunteered thus far! We cannot succeed without your support! The games during the entire month of September are away games and a bye week. Our next home game is Homecoming on October 4th. We'll need all hands on deck in the Blue Note concession stand. We will also need chaperones and programs sales volunteers. The easiest way to volunteer is to sign up on Charms at [www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com). There are complete directions in every Parade Rest newsletter and on our band website, [www.gbhssoundwave.com](http://www.gbhssoundwave.com).

Thank you to our booster parents that have continued their roles and/or stepped up to new ones! If band parents are ever interested in learning more or assisting on a committee, please reach out to that committee head or contact me and I'll put you in touch. It takes a village!

Stay informed, read the Parade Rest newsletter, join the Band app for Sound Wave Parents, purchase a volunteer polo, sign on to Charms, volunteer, visit our website, like

**9/21** All-State Auditions, Milton HS, All Day

**9/23** Front Ensemble Rehearsal - Additional Sectionals for Winds, Percussion & Guard As Needed, 4-7pm

**9/24** Marching Band Rehearsal - Winds, Battery & Guard Only, 4-7pm

**9/26** Marching Band Rehearsal - All Members, 4-7pm

**9/28** Marching Band Rehearsal - All Members, Times TBA

**9/30** Front Ensemble Rehearsal - Additional Sectionals for Winds, Percussion & Guard As Needed, 4-7pm

## **OCTOBER**

**10/1** Marching Band Rehearsal - Winds, Battery & Guard Only, 4-7pm

**10/3** Marching Band Rehearsal - All Members, 4-7pm

**10/4** Pep Rally (FWB Game - Homecoming), All Day

**10/4** Gulf Breeze vs Fort Walton Beach HS (HOMECOMING), District Game, 7-10pm

**10/5** Blackwater Classic Marching Competition, Milton HS, All Day

**10/7** Front Ensemble Rehearsal - Additional Sectionals for Winds, Percussion & Guard As Needed, 4-7pm

**10/8** Marching Band Rehearsal - Winds, Battery & Guard Only, 4-7pm

our Facebook and Instagram pages, assist with a committee, buy a band spirit shirt, send in your My Fair Share Contribution (MFSC), be active in your student's band experience...you WON'T regret it!

Our next Band Booster Meeting is Tuesday, September 10th at 7pm in the band room. See you there!

Dolphin Pride!  
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## *The Battery*

We began the audition process for the battery in June with the intent that every spot was available; no spots were guaranteed even if you were a vet of the ensemble. We set the line solely based upon those who had a great work ethic and who actively tried to apply the constructive feedback they were being given. The decision to set the line in this manner has resulted in the battery being full of motivated, hardworking individuals who are determined to better both themselves and the battery as a whole. The information being given to the members is slightly more in depth as compared to the previous seasons. Since June, we have been diving deep into how to approach the instruments from both a technical and mental point of view, as well as enhancing rhythmic integrity and solidifying which specific muscle groupings should be used when playing specific musical phrases. Understandably, this shift presented a challenge for many members during the first month or two as they broke old habits and formed new ones, but because of their great work ethic and determination, they were able to not only adapt, but to excel at their craft. We used this new approach and applied it to our warm-up exercise packet as well as our show music. This process has taken several months, but it is now September and we have the ability to make mature sounds and play as mature musicians. The journey is far from over, and the progression of getting better never stops, but the progress this group has made up to this point is tremendous! We are on a good path and are on track to reach our goals. We are all thoroughly excited to see what September brings.

Best,  
Quentin Bagby  
Battery Instructor  
[Qbagby2@gmail.com](mailto:Qbagby2@gmail.com)

**10/8** Band Booster General Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

**10/10** Marching Band Rehearsal – All Members, 4-7pm

**10/11** Gulf Breeze vs Milton HS (AWAY), District Game, 7-10pm

**10/12** District 1 Marching MPA, J.M. Tate HS, All Day

**10/14** Teacher Planning Day – No School

**10/14** Front Ensemble Rehearsal - Additional Sectionals for Winds, Percussion & Guard As Needed, 4-7pm

**10/15** Marching Band Rehearsal - Winds, Battery & Guard Only, 4-7pm

**10/17** Marching Band Rehearsal – All Members, 4-7pm

**10/18** Pep Rally (Pace Game), 1pm

**10/18** Gulf Breeze vs Pace HS (HOME), District Game, 7-10pm

**10/19** Eastern Shore Classic Competition, Daphne HS, All Day

**10/20** March-A-Thon Door Hanger Distribution, TBA

**10/25** Gulf Breeze vs Mosley HS (HOME), District Game, 7-10pm

**10/26** March-A-Thon, 9am-1pm

## **NOVEMBER**

**11/01** Gulf Breeze vs Pine Forest HS (HOME), 7-10pm

**11/2** March-A-Thon (Rain Date), 9am-1pm



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## *Upcoming 2019-20 Gulf Breeze Band Booster (GBBB) Meetings*

- September 10th, 7pm – Band Booster Meeting in the band room
- October 8th, 7pm – Band Booster Meeting in the band room

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## *A Good "Reed" Find out the latest on the Band Booster Committees...*

**Communications:** Want information at the click of a button? Check out our band website at [www.gbhssoundwave.com](http://www.gbhssoundwave.com) where you can access online student forms, contact the instructors or Band Booster officers, find instructions on how to sign up for the Remind App and much more. You can also "Like" our page Gulf Breeze Sound Wave on Facebook. We are also on Twitter and Instagram @gbhssoundwave.

Volunteer opportunities, your child's account (MFSC balance) and calendar events can be found on CHARMS. Go to [www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com) click "Login" as a parent/student. Use **GulfBrHSBand** for the school code. Student Area Password: You will need your student's ID# the first time you log on. It will prompt you to choose your own password. You can change your password in the future and CHARMS has a link to reset your password if you forget.

Please log on and make sure your email address in CHARMS is correct to ensure delivery of this newsletter and emails from Ms. Donahoo, committee members and important events.

You can submit pictures or information for the newsletter, website or social media by emailing them to [CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com](mailto:CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com).

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**11/5** Indoor Percussion Auditions, 5-8pm

**11/7** Indoor Percussion Auditions, 5-8pm

**11/8** Possible Playoff Game TBA, 7-10pm

**11/11** Veteran's Day – No School

**11/12** Indoor Percussion Auditions, 5-8pm

**11/12** Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

**11/14** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**11/15** Possible Playoff Game, 7-10pm

**11/19** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**11/21** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**11/25-11/29** Thanksgiving Break, No School

## **DECEMBER**

**12/3** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**12/5** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**12/10** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**12/10** Band Booster Meeting, 7pm

**12/12** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**12/17** Semester Exams, Early Release

**Parents Remind:** Text the code **@GBWAVE1920** to the number **81010** to get immediate updates and reminders throughout the school year.

**Band App:** Download the Band app on your smartphone. It is **green** with a white "b". Search for **SoundWave Parents** and join the band!



**Concessions:** The Concession Stand is going strong! We had a small but great group of volunteers for the Kick Off Classic and had a fabulous group for our first football game. I am still looking for a grill master and a fry master, as well as parents to help out for each of the home games. I have a wish list of items we will be needing soon:

- 1 tent
- 1 refrigerator/freezer less than 36 cu ft- preferably not a side by side
- 1 deep freeze chest
- 4 tablets for the concession windows
- 2 sets of long tongs
- 2 napkin holders
- 2 small and 2 large rubber spatulas

If you are having trouble getting on Charms, let me know and I can enter you in the system. I will need your name, email address and phone number. Please contact Grace Hofius at [gmhofius@bellsouth.net](mailto:gmhofius@bellsouth.net). We would love to have you join us at the Blue Note!

**Flags in the Breeze (FITB):** We thank Josh Jenkins who has stepped up to assist with getting our newest fundraiser implemented. Will Do gave us a grant for purchasing U.S. flag kits. We will sell subscriptions to homes in the GBHS attendance zone placing a flag in the yard on 5 holidays for \$50/year. Our goal is to get this off the ground and start selling subscriptions this fall to start this fundraiser in 2020. Students get community service hours for assisting with flag placement and retrieval. This is a great way for parents to get involved. Please contact Josh at [jrjenkin76@gmail.com](mailto:jrjenkin76@gmail.com) on how you can help!

**Football Programs:** This year's football program fundraiser was an enormous success! Just over \$16K in ads and student salutes was raised, the most in past years! After printing costs, we'll have just under \$12.5K. Programs are sold at home football games for \$5/each. New this year, we are also selling programs on Thursdays at JV & Freshman home games. Barb Scott headed the program this year and thoroughly enjoyed it. It's an easy sell to promote the band and acquire ads. If you are

**12/17** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**12/18** Semester Exams, Early Release

**12/19** Semester Exams, Early Release

**12/19** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**12/20 – 12/30** Winter/Christmas Break

## **JANUARY**

**1/1-1/5** Christmas Break

**1/6** Teacher Planning Day, No School

**1/7** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**1/8** FMEA Conference & All-State, Tampa, FL

**1/9** FMEA Conference & All-State, Tampa, FL

**1/9** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**1/10** FMEA Conference & All-State, Tampa, FL

**1/11** FMEA Conference & All-State, Tampa, FL

**1/13** Concert Woodwind Sectionals, 8-9am

**1/14** Concert Bass Sectionals, 8-9am

**1/14** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**1/14** Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

organized, have great attention to detail and don't mind sending emails, this is for you. No graphic experience needed. We have a printing company and a graphic artist that puts everything together. You are selling the ads and forwarding most everything via email. There's an occasional face to face and phone calls but it's fulfilling knowing it all goes to the kids. Contact Barb if you are interested in heading this next year.

**March-A-Thon (MAT):** Our fourth annual March-A-Thon is scheduled for **Saturday, October 26th at 10:00 AM**. Door hanger distribution will take place on Sunday, October 20th. Planning has been ongoing since July and we expect to receive approval from the City Council at this month's meeting. Since we have moved this year's event from September to October, we will kick off our fundraising campaign and distribute information packets to all students later this month. There are several volunteer opportunities for parents the day of the march and during door hanger distribution. You can sign up today to help at those events on CHARMS.

Are you a leader? Are you looking for a way to use your leadership skills to serve our community? Want to help the band, but can't volunteer at football games? Our committee needs your help! If you are interested in helping with the planning and execution of our premiere single-day fundraising event, please contact Doug at [gbhsmarchathon@gmail.com](mailto:gbhsmarchathon@gmail.com) or 850-910-3603.

**Transportation:** We'd love and NEED to have parents assist us in transportation as we only have 2 regular volunteers. A real concern at some point could be getting equipment to the games or competitions without enough support. The county only approves volunteer applications once a month so please get your [Volunteer Form](#) in as soon as possible! Second, I would like to strongly thank Keith Whelan for helping out with transportation this year. His son graduated two years ago, and he has graciously been helping out with driving the truck and many other matters. Third, there are some issues with the Sound Wave Band truck. The braking system is going to need some major repairs which will cost in the thousands. Keith is also helping to work out a solution for us. Hopefully, we can get this resolved soon. Last, working with transportation can be rewarding and fun as long as we have enough parents helping. Please get involved! These are your kids that you will be supporting. Let's make it a great year!!! Please contact Dave Bleiler at [davebleiler@att.net](mailto:davebleiler@att.net).

**1/15** Symphonic Woodwind Sectionals, 8-9am

**1/16** Symphonic Brass Sectional, 8-9am

**1/16** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**1/17** Concert Band Rehearsal, 4-6pm

**1/21** Concert Brass Sectional, 8-9am

**1/21** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**1/22** Symphonic Woodwind Sectionals, 8-9am

**1/23** Symphonic Brass Sectional, 8-9am

**1/23** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**1/24** Concert Woodwind Sectional, 8-9am

**1/24** Symphonic Band Rehearsal, 4-6pm

**1/27** Concert Woodwind Sectional, 8-9am

**1/28** Concert Brass Sectional, 8-9am

**1/28** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**1/29** Symphonic Woodwind Sectionals, 8-9am

**1/30** Symphonic Brass Sectional, 8-9am

**1/30** Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

**Uniforms:** We are happy to report that all uniform pieces have arrived, and the band will be dressed and ready for cooler weather! Please contact Cathy Driskell at [driskell.cathy@gmail.com](mailto:driskell.cathy@gmail.com) if you have any questions about uniforms or volunteer polos.

**Volunteers:** We are off to a great start! We have had great support with chaperoning, concessions, equipment, and program sales the last few games! Everyone's help, and support is appreciated so much! We still need a lot of parent assistance throughout the entire school year so please be sure to get your **Volunteer Form** (new form is 5 pages) turned in as soon as possible. Don't forget to sign into Charms and reserve your volunteer spots! Please contact Kelly Bleiler at [davebleiler@att.net](mailto:davebleiler@att.net) or 850-816-8275.

### **My Fair Share Contribution (MFSC)**

To make a payment, you may drop a check off at the band room and put it in the safe, or you may pay online. Please be sure to notate on the envelope your student's name and what the payment is for. If you choose to pay online, please log into your child's Charms account: [www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com). Click on "Login" and choose "Parents/Students/Members". Type **GulfBrHSBand** for the school code and click 'enter CHARMS'. Once on the account, click on the 'Finances' icon on the home page and then click on the 'make miscellaneous payment' button, and follow the directions. These contributions help fund the band activities and other operating expenses. Any payment is welcome if you cannot pay the whole amount at this time. We will certainly work with you if you can let us know. We need your help to make our band work. Thank you for your support of YOUR band. It makes a difference!

The MFSC schedule shows that students' accounts should show a balance of \$450 as of August 30th. The last contribution of \$100 was due on September 7th to fulfill the \$550 per student. Those that paid \$495 early received a 10% discount. Those that volunteer for 3 income producing shifts will also receive a 10% discount. Income producing includes concessions, program sales or March-A-Thon. Information about MFSC is on the website [www.gbhssoundwave.com](http://www.gbhssoundwave.com).

**If you have ANY questions regarding your \$550 My Fair Share Contribution or need to set up a payment plan, please contact:**

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**Victoria Donahoo** [donahoov@santarosa.k12.fl.us](mailto:donahoov@santarosa.k12.fl.us)

**1/31** Concert Band Rehearsal, 4-6pm

## **February**

**2/1** Drum for Superbowl Sunday, IP Fundraiser, TBA

**Sign up on CHARMS for volunteer opportunities!**



### **CHARMS and CHARMS APP**

[www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com)

School Code: GulfBrHSBand

Password: first time log-on is your student's #ID, then you are prompted to create your own password

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<https://www.customink.com/fundraising/gulf-breeze-band-boosters>. We have 2 Large on hand-no waiting. Contact Barb Scott if you have questions at [barbscott3607@gmail.com](mailto:barbscott3607@gmail.com).



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Souvenir Football Programs

*Barbara Scott*

Transportation

*Dave Bleiler and Keith Whelan*

Uniforms

*Cathy Driskell and Paula Sarkari*

Volunteers and Chaperones

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*What's making Waves...*

Students voted this past week on the 2019 show shirt design in class. Congratulations to **Rachael Hofius** for her design being chosen for the show shirt this year!



LAND AMONG THE STARS



**This month's Person(s) with a Porpoise : Thank you to all of the amazing parents that have stepped up to support the Sound Wave with, chaperoning, concessions, program sales and transportation! AWESOME JOB!!!**

**Please send any updates, contributions or feedback on Parade Rest, the Gulf Breeze Band Booster newsletter to [CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com](mailto:CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com)**