

# Info for Incoming 2010 – 2011 (rising) 9<sup>th</sup> Graders to the Person High School Band

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- **There are no dumb questions; if you don't know call Mr. R.**
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  - Ask a PHS Band Booster Officer
  - Web Page: [www.phsband.org](http://www.phsband.org)
- **There are two classes offered each semester for band students at PHS**
  - Currently: percussion students take band 1<sup>st</sup> period, winds take band 3<sup>rd</sup> period
  - We combine after school for rehearsals prior to performances
  - **Band students ( both percussion and winds) are urged to take band for both semesters**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> semester is generally marching band/marching percussion
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> semester is generally concert band/percussion ensemble
- **You can play a sport and be in band**
  - If you play a sport, you will be busy, but you can be in marching band
  - We work hard to work with the coaches to make this work for everyone
  - Over half of the band plays sports
- **We live by the schedule/band calendar: See the calendar attached**
  - I try to update the calendar every month if not every two weeks
  - The calendar has a month view and on the back; everything I have up to a year in advance.
  - Some dates do not come available till a month or two prior to the event; i.e. NCBMA MPA ( North Carolina Band Masters Association Music Performance Adjudication)
  - Marching Band competitions are not set till the spring prior to the season – I don't know if we will compete and where till I see the numbers of students/instrumentation make up & how we line up the competitions I feel we are going to improve from.
- **There is a fee for band: \$125; payable to: Person High School Band Boosters**
  - The Person County Schools will provide my salary, instructional supplies, some transportation ( away football games)
    - Some if not most music purchased during the school year
    - Repair of school instruments during the school year
    - Instructional supplies (some instruments, supplies, some equipment)
  - The school does not help with anything “extra” like...
    - Additional instructors for band camp, drill team or color guard
    - Any costs outside of the school year – summer (music, supplies, repairs of school instruments, etc.)
    - Anything above or be on the basic classroom needs – i.e.: marching band show supplies, marching band competition travel or equipment
  - There are payment options set by the PHS Band Boosters – see the web page
    - **NO STUDENT IS ALLOWED TO USE COST AS AN EXCUSE FOR NON-PARTICIPATION!**
      - I.E.: “I can't be in band because I cannot afford it”
      - If your child wants to be a part of the high school band, there are plenty of options. See the ***PHS Band Boosters Student Fee Four Payment Options*** on the web page or ask Mr. R for a copy



**Check the PHS Band Web Site for additional details, updated weekly/daily with new information, pictures, and classroom information about the band program at [www.phsband.org](http://www.phsband.org) .**