

May 6, 1968

Dear Band Student

Moving into a new school is always an exciting experience with many new opportunities for all, teachers as well as students. As a band, our primary job is to serve the school and to help in developing good school spirit as well as our own organizational spirit. The only way this can be obtained is through loyal service and dedication by you as band members. In order for us to obtain our goal, this dedication must be present in the last chair players in the last band as well as the first chair players in the first band if not more so.

As you will know our facilities at Trinity will be one of the finest in the state and possibly in the nation. We have ordered equipment that is of the highest quality and will have uniforms that I believe are very beautiful, serviceable, and one that will be worn with pride.

In looking at pre-enrollment for next year it looks as though we will have about 154 band students in the program at Trinity. Judging from this amount we should have enough players for three bands which will be divided approximately in this manner:

Marching Season

Marching Band
80

2nd Band
44

3rd Band
30

Concert Season

Symphonic Band
64

2nd Band
60

3rd Band
30

As you can see, the marching band and second band are different sizes during marching and concert season. The first band will actually be approximately 64 members, supplemented by 16 members of the second band, these people will be in the 1st Band only during marching season and will be designated at the time of tryouts.

I will try to schedule these 16 people with their study hall across from the second band so that the change from marching season to concert season will not involve a teacher change for the student or create a schedule problem for the office. In a case where a student does not have a study hall his schedule will have to be changed at the six weeks or semester period.

Please note if you make the marching band your attendance at the summer rehearsals is mandatory. These rehearsals as of right now are to be held the last week of August. All marching band members will receive a more detailed information sheet later in the summer as to where and when rehearsals will be held. Please let your family know now when the rehearsals will be so vacation plans can be made.

DRUM MAJOR TRYOUTS June 1 9:00 to 11:00 AM (Only 1 will be used this year.)

TWIRLER TRYOUTS June 1 1:00 to 4:00 PM (Twirlers will be used as the front rank of the band and will only be students in the marching band. My plans are to use 6.

REQUIREMENTS FOR DRUM MAJOR AND TWIRLER TRYOUTS WILL BE GIVEN TO YOUR BAND DIRECTOR LATER.