

# Andover High School Marching Huskies



Fall 2006

## Member Handbook & Forms

Registration And Health Forms Due:

**Middle School Forms Due  
Monday May 15th, 2006**

Dear Students and Parents,

Greetings! It is with great excitement and anticipation that I welcome you to the Andover High School Marching Huskies. Welcome back to all returning veterans. I hope this letter finds you excited and anxious to start the 2006 marching season. I look forward to a year of continuing successes, traditions, and friendships. This year's show titled "Category Five" is sure to be one for the memory books.

The success of our season will hinge on each individual's commitment to their role in the system we know as the Andover High School Marching Huskies. The level of talent in our organization is amazing. Only the highest level of dedication will allow us to continue with the progress we've made in our previous years of marching. Many aspects of rehearsal and performances will be the same as years past. Some aspects will be very different. Be ready to embrace new challenges and goals.

In this handbook you will find policies, procedures, and other important information regarding the Marching Huskies. All returning and perspective members must take the time to read this material, as the success of our band depends upon each individual working toward the same goals. Keep this handbook in a safe place for future reference. Extra copies of the calendar are available for family, employers, etc. Please fill out the registration forms and turn them in before May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006. I look forward to working with each and every one of you!

Sincerely,

Brent L. Comeau  
Director, Andover Marching Huskies  
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## **HOW TO REGISTER FOR MARCHING BAND:**

### **Step 1:**

Carefully look over the information in this packet with your parent(s). Make sure you get all of your questions answered. We want you to be informed about all expectations and procedures from the beginning.

### **Step 2:**

Make a **FIRM COMMITMENT** to this organization. Participation in all scheduled practices and performances is expected. You must commit to excellence for us to achieve our goals.

### **Step 3:**

Understand what part of the band you belong in. Look in the section of this packet entitled Parts of the Band. This may seem silly, but it is an important step!

### **Step 4:**

Fill out all necessary forms including Registration and Health forms with a parent/guardian signature. **ALL FORMS ARE DUE BACK TO THE ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL BAND OFFICE BY MAY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006.**

### **Step 5:**

Mark your calendar for the start of practice. We will have additional section practice for percussion and color guard before the start of full rehearsals in August. Once a week or so... depending on facility availability. A schedule will be available before the end of the school year.

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## **COMMITMENT**

Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality. It is the words that speak boldly of your intentions, and the actions which speak louder than the words. It is making the time when there is none. Coming through time after time after time, year after year after year. Commitment is the stuff character is made of; the power to change the face of things. It is the daily triumph of integrity over skepticism. It is knowing the difference between being patient or being bored. It is what separates those "who can" from those "who didn't."

## **PHILOSOPHY OF THE MARCHING BAND**

Our goal is to provide students with a meaningful, enjoyable and rewarding experience through musical growth, dedication, student leadership, loyalty, and community service. We will represent Andover High School and the community as ambassadors of excellence, pride and character.

## SECTIONS OF THE MARCHING BAND

A marching band is divided into three parts. It is the harmony and complete coordination of these sections that creates excellence and a product that is rewarding for members and spectators alike. The following is a short description of the different sections.

**THE WIND SECTION:** This section is made up of all regular band instruments. Most common are piccolo, flutes, clarinets, saxophones (Alto/Tenor), mellophones (marching French horns), trumpets, trombones, baritones and tubas. This section of the band produces most of the music that you hear. They are responsible for a majority of the drill forms that you see on the field. They wear the traditional uniforms complete with gloves, shoes and shako hat. Students playing a wind instrument in marching band must be registered for band or orchestra class terms 1 – 4 in fall of 2006.

**THE PERCUSSION SECTION:** This section is made up of many concert percussion instruments as well as the marching percussion instruments. It is split up into two sections; the front line and the battery. Instrumentation for these sections is as follows. Front Line: All concert instruments used in percussion in an indoor setting. Mallet percussion (bells, xylophone, marimba, vibes), timpani, cymbals, sound effects, etc. It may also include such things as guitar, bass guitar and even drum set. The Battery percussion is the “meat and potatoes” of the percussion section. It includes marching snare drum, marching tenors and marching bass drums. It may also include a marching cymbal line. The drum-line is responsible for providing pulse and color to the music. They are also responsible for providing a cadence to march to. They wear the traditional uniforms complete with shoes and shako hat. Students playing a percussion instrument in marching band must be registered for band or orchestra class terms 1 – 4 in 2006.

**THE COLOR GUARD:** This section adds the color, impact, pizzazz, emotion, and visual interpretation of the music that the winds and percussion perform on the field. This is done with many different effects, including dance/ movement, flags, rifles, sabers, props and other apparatus. NO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY TO TRY OUT FOR THE COLOR GUARD SECTION. Members of the color guard DO NOT wear the traditional uniforms. Their outfits are designed new and made to fit the theme of the show each season. There is an additional fee for the color guard uniforms (please note this on the Payment form).

## MEMBERSHIP

Wind and Percussion players must be enrolled in an Andover High School music course terms 1-4 this coming school year. There will be no tryouts for wind players, but it is understood that all students must share the common goal of working hard as an individual to improve the group as a whole. All Percussion players will be assigned a position in the percussion section by Mr. Inselman, our percussion instructor. The Color Guard/auxiliary unit is open to students not enrolled in the music program, but is by audition only as outlined on the previous page.

## GENERAL POLICIES / EXPECTATIONS

The following is a summary of daily expectations during the marching band season. The marching band is one of the most visible and recognizable groups at Andover High School. All Andover HS activities are governed by rules set forth to guide students towards success. The following are a few general rules for all Andover HS Marching Band Members:

**MSHSL RULES AND POLICIES ARE IN EFFECT:** Rule violations cannot be tolerated and will result in suspension or removal from the marching band.

**FOOD, GUM, TRASH, ETC:** We must keep our practice areas clean and ready for the next practice. Most areas are shared with other groups/activities. Gum is **NOT ALLOWED, EVER!** It is very unsafe to play your instrument and chew gum. Each section of the band will be assigned days to clean up after practice. **DO NOT** show up to a practice or performance with bags of fast food!!! You will not be ready to perform your best on time.

**PEP BAND PERFORMANCES AT FOOTBALL GAMES:** The Marching Band serves as the pep band during regular season home football games. It is our responsibility to provide entertainment throughout the game. We remain in our sections/rows to be ready to perform. Instrument safety and uniform cleanliness are very important in the bleachers. We are still in “performance mode” even though we are not on the field.

**BUS TRIPS/TRANSPORTATION:** All band members are required to ride the provided buses to and from all performances. Radios/CD players with **EARPHONES ONLY** are allowed. All marching band members must assist in loading and unloading instruments/ uniforms/equipment.

## ATTENDANCE POLICY

You are the vital link to the success of this program. By being a part of this program, you are committing to the entire schedule. You should approach marching band with the same attitude and commitment level you would any other activity. Absences due to illness must be cleared with a written note or a phone call to the band office from your parent or guardian. Most athletic conflicts can be worked around. Early and honest communication with the director is necessary for proper consideration of these conflicts.

**IT IS IMPOSSIBLE** to make up group rehearsal time. Every member of this group has an important part. There is no “Bench”. **EVERY STUDENT IS A “STARTER”**. When some one is missing, we cannot operate at 100%. You must do everything in your power to attend all practices. Communicate **early** and **clearly** with Mr. Comeau if you have any questions regarding this policy.

The single greatest obstacle standing between us and the goal of excellence is attendance. You will be signing a statement declaring your understanding of the following policy:

1. Students who are unable to attend the rehearsal leading up to a performance may be unable to participate in that performance. Complex revisions learned at the last rehearsal prior to a performance may prevent you from knowing what to do. You will be expected to accompany the band to the competition/performance and assist the band in a non-performance role.
2. Do not schedule doctor/dentist visits during rehearsal times.

3. Students will not be excused from marching band rehearsals/performances for work.
4. Students missing rehearsal the day of a performance for ANY reason may not be allowed to march in the show that day.
5. Everyone in the marching band is expected to attend every performance. Students not attending a performance for any reason (other than a death in the family or something of a similarly grave nature) may be removed from participating in the marching band.
6. As stated above, EVERY STUDENT IS A **STARTER**. A missing student means a hole in the formations, a missing solo/harmony part, missed changes or revisions in the drill, music, tempo, alignment... Other students will be unable to guide off of you if your position is empty. This problem is compounded with every absence.

THIS POLICY IS A GUIDELINE. Under extenuating circumstances, the director in consultation with the staff may find exception to this policy. However, please be assured that those exceptions will be exceedingly rare.

Nothing will benefit this ensemble more than perfect attendance. When students miss rehearsal they cheat both themselves and the group out of an opportunity to be great.

### **SECTION LEADERS**

Section Leaders are an integral component of a successful marching band. Section Leaders must be current members of the school band program. Students wishing to become a Section Leader must complete an application and participate in an interview.

### **DRUM MAJORS**

The Drum Majors direct/conduct the Marching Band. From the first rehearsal to the final note of the final performance, the job of Drum Major is never ending. Drum Majors must be current members of the school band program. Drum Majors are selected after a process which consists of a written application, interview, vocal command and conducting audition.

### **INSTRUMENTATION**

Marching Band is a great opportunity for woodwinds to learn a secondary instrument. We can achieve a level of excellence with our “natural” instrumentation; however there will always be some balance problems in the sound of the band due to a shortage of low brass players. While never requiring a switch, we do encourage many students to voluntarily receive training and perform on secondary instruments. The instruments most needed are tenor saxophone, baritone, F horn, trombone and tuba. Anyone willing to switch (permanently or for MB only) should indicate on the instrument line of the registration sheet.

## **SCHOOL OWNED EQUIPMENT**

Andover High School will provide the following instruments for use during the marching band season (District #11 rental fees apply): Tubas, Baritones, F Horns, Valve Trombones, Percussion Equipment and Guard Equipment.

All school owned instruments/equipment will be issued to you by Mr. Bakkum. If you choose to rent a school owned instrument for the marching band season, there is a school district fee of \$25. You will be financially responsible for the condition of these instruments. ANY repair costs resulting from carelessness, irresponsibility or mistreatment will be paid for by the student or students responsible. Should there be a problem with any school instruments, please inform Mr. Bakkum as soon as possible. Repairs are costly and time consuming. Please take good care of your instruments.

## **UNIFORMS**

Uniforms will be issued prior to the performance season. ALL uniforms are stored at school and will be checked out for each performance. This makes the process of being ready for a performance much more efficient and lowers the possibility of forgetting any part of your uniform. Below is some general uniform information:

1. Your uniform belongs to the school. You are allowed to use this uniform as part of your membership in this organization.
2. Always wear your uniform with pride. If you remove part of the uniform, remove all of it. If you wear the uniform, wear all of it. Do not walk around with your hat on backwards or your coat unzipped. Remember - this is how the Andover HS Marching Band is recognized!!! Be proud of your band and your school - it will show every time you put your uniform on.
3. You will pay a \$20 fee for cleaning and upkeep of this uniform (included in registration fee).
4. You will wear your marching band t-shirt under your uniform at all times.
5. You must provide solid black athletic socks without pattern or print on them.

## **UNIFORM FITTINGS**

All members will need to be fitted for a uniform. Uniform fitting times will be announced in May after marching band registration is complete. We will need parents to assist fitting all students. If you can help with this important task, please call Mr. Comeau @ 506-8548.

## **SHOES**

Every member of the wind and percussion sections (not Color Guard) will wear black marching band shoes. We will do a group order at the end of registration. Remember to indicate your size (similar to athletic shoes) on the registration form.

All students are required to clean and polish shoes before every performance using a non-liquid polish (liquid polishes do not last). Clean shoes show a level of pride. They also make an excellent statement about the serious nature of this program.

## **APPEARANCE AND GROOMING**

To insure a clean-cut, uniform appearance of the band, the following grooming requirements are strictly adhered to. The way we dress and take care of our appearance contributes much to the success of the band. Take pride in your appearance. This is what we will always convey. Ignoring these requirements will lead to loss of performance privilege and letter points.

When in uniform, hair is to be worn above the collar and behind the ears. (boys and girls). Anyone not able to meet this requirement must either cut their hair or put it up in a way such that it will not fall down. Bobby pins, hair nets and other inconspicuous devices should be used to hold hair in place.

Heavy makeup is NOT ALLOWED to be worn during a performance (unless specified by the staff). It detracts from the performance and may also cause health issues such as over heating, dehydration or exhaustion.

Vanishing base make-up clogs pores and does not allow the skin to breathe properly.

All members must be clean-shaven and all jewelry (including earrings - gentlemen too) must be removed prior to every performance.

## **ACADEMIC PROGRESS**

Students are expected to follow all rules and regulations as set by the Minnesota State High School League. A violation of any district policy/MSHSL regulation will be dealt with using guidelines set forth by the MSHSL and the District #11 School Board.

Academic progress is very important to the success of the marching band. You must make sure that your school assignments are up to date. Poor time management is not an excuse to miss marching band practice. Plan ahead and get it done.

## **HOMEWORK**

School is more important than ANY high school activity. You must make sure that you do your assignments in a timely fashion. We all know that you don't get those "big" assignments the night before they are due... Start them early - Finish them early!!!

Marching band (or any other activity) should never be an excuse for late assignments or incomplete projects. It gives the program a negative appearance and does not allow you to do your best for the success of the marching band and/or your progress towards graduation.

## **PARENT HELP**

One of the biggest success stories we hope to create at Andover High School is the support of its members' parents. The band program is too complex and will grow too large to function without an active support base. If each parent could contribute a small amount of time and talent to the band, it will assist in keeping costs reasonable for students, provide necessary logistical support, and allow parents to get to know each other. Such activities as show support, fundraising, first-aid support, photography, equipment movers, uniform specialists, etc... will be needed.

## **THE FIRST REHEARSAL!!!**

Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> we will kick off the 2006 season with an all visual camp. Be sure to come dressed appropriately for full day of marching rehearsal. Arrive prepared for rehearsal... Eat breakfast and don't come without a water jug in hand (one gallon size is the best)!

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, rehearsal will be from 9:00-12:00. We will begin the process of creating the musical component of the show. We will work on individual skills needed to perform the show music effectively. August 9th - 11th will incorporate the basics of marching and maneuvering, reading position charts and creating "dot books" for daily use throughout the season.

## **HEAT WEEK!!**

Monday through Friday, August 14 - 19, 2006 at AHS. The daily schedule will be as follows:

### **Monday - Saturday**

9:00am - 12:00pm	Marching/Drill rehearsal
Noon - 1:00	Lunch Break (bring a bag lunch)
1:00pm - 4:00pm	Full ensemble rehearsal
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Dinner Break
5:00pm - 8:00pm	Full ensemble rehearsal

### **Wednesday**

Rehearsal will end at 4:00pm for a mid-week break.

While on paper this appears to be a grueling schedule, it is also the only large block of time we have to totally devote to our fall field show. Not only must we learn and perfect the entire half-time show, we must also learn and develop those habits which will lead us to success. There will be plenty of water breaks and activities to help break up the day. It is imperative that all members attend all of these rehearsals. This is the only time we can have the luxury of added staff in the wind sections, extra staff for percussion, marching, and a block of time to fully focus on what we want to make of the Andover Marching Huskies.

## **BAND LETTER POINTS**

By attending all rehearsals and performances, a member of the Marching Huskies may earn points towards a Band Letter Award. 20 points are needed to earn a Band Letter Award. Being a member of the Marching Huskies can help you achieve this goal. Points are awarded by the director and will be based on the students participation, attendance, and contribution to the success of the marching band. Here is a description of the available letter points for marching band related activities:

All Marching Band Members 1-7 points (4th season double points)	
Drum Majors.....	2 points
MB Section Leaders.....	1 point
Equipment managers.....	1 point

## **EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

Being involved in marching band has a few equipment requirements. There are some general items that you will need to bring to every practice to ensure success of the program. Below is a list of general items that you will want to bring to every practice.\*\*

1. A positive attitude!
2. Your instrument in working order. Including reeds, mallets/sticks, valve oil, etc...
3. A three ring notebook 1" in thickness. All handouts, including music, will be three hole punched for keeping in this notebook.
4. Your music and drill charts (Yes - even after it is memorized!).
5. A BIG water bottle and lots of sunscreen.
6. Gym shoes (Required for practice – No Sandals - no exceptions)
7. Wear appropriate clothing such as shorts, sweats, t-shirt, etc... Denim of any kind is not permitted (too hot). All shirts must have shoulders covered. Tank, halter, tube tops are not permitted.
8. A pen or pencil that can hang on a string around you neck.
9. Something to cover you head in the heat (outside).
10. Marching Band shoes (required for dress rehearsals and performances).
11. Lyre & Flip Folder (Winds only)

\*\* There may be additional items as we approach the start of the season. All students will be contacted directly if there are any changes.

## **FUNDRAISING & STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS**

Each student may have an individual band account within the HS Band Activity Account. Funds may be accumulated through various fund raising events or direct deposit by student/parent. This account must be used to pay for band related expenses such as fees, trips, etc. Money deposited can-not be refunded but may be transferred to a brother/sister participating in the Andover HS Band Program.

## **FINANCIAL NEED/FEE WAIVER**

If your son/daughter is currently receiving assistance from the school district free/reduced lunch program, you may qualify for reduced activity fee options. This program pertains only to the district activity fee portion (see fee payment instructions later in packet). All other fees listed do not apply to this program.

Money is tight everywhere. Please **do not** let a financial issue be the reason to eliminate your child from the experience of the Andover Marching Huskies. If your family is facing some tough decisions, please contact Mr. Bakkum in the band office to discuss possibilities for alternative payment options. Strict confidentiality will be adhered to.

## **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

The operation of a marching band requires a great deal of time, energy, and money. There is no way to avoid this. First, it is important that everyone have a clear understanding of the costs involved from the beginning. Next, an organized collection system will be in place so that money is collected and recorded efficiently. Overall costs are indicated on the fee payment instruction sheet at the end of this handbook. There are deadlines for payments as early as this May. This is unavoidable as items need to be ordered/purchased as early as June.

## **FUND RAISING OPPORTUNITIES**

There will be opportunities for students and parents to participate in seasonal fundraising projects. In the case of individual fund-raisers, money raised will be deposited in individual accounts and may be used to pay marching band fees. With group fund-raisers, the money will be used for various band program expenses and placed in the general band account.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Email is best due to irregular office hours.

Mr. Bakkum: [doug.bakkum@anoka.k12.mn.us](mailto:doug.bakkum@anoka.k12.mn.us) (763) 506-8445

Mr. Comeau: [brent.comeau@anoka.k12.mn.us](mailto:brent.comeau@anoka.k12.mn.us) (763) 506-8548

**2006-2007 ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL  
MARCHING HUSKIES REGISTRATION FORM**

*(Due Date: May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006)*

Fill out this form as completely as possible and return to the Andover High School Band Office.

Name		Grade in Fall of 2006: Fr. So. Jr. Sr.	
Instrument		Do you need a school owned instrument? (circle one) Yes No	
Street Address		City	Zip Code
Home Phone #	Student Cell Phone #	Student Email Address	
Parent or Guardian Name: (Father)		Parent or Guardian Name: (Mother)	
Work Phone #		Work Phone #	
E-mail Address		E-mail Address	

“We have read, understand and support the policies stated in the Andover HS Marching Band handbook.  
We understand that the director and staff will adhere to these policies to further the musical  
growth and general well being of all members in the marching band.”

Student Signature	Date
Parent Signature	Date

## 2006-2007 MARCHING HUSKIES FEE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Name	Grade in Fall of 2006:   Fr.   So.   Jr.   Sr.
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### PAYMENT #1

Return to AHS Band office c/o Mr. Bakkum by 5/1/06

This payment will vary depending on the specific needs of each performer. Not all line items apply to every student. Example: returning members may not need marching shoes, etc.

Items	Check if Applicable	Cost	Total
Uniform Cleaning Alterations (all except colorguard)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$23.00	
T-Shirt: S M L XL (all members) <small>(Yes, you may purchase more than one)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$12.00	
Gloves: S M L XL (wind section only)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$3.00	
Marching Shoes: Mens   Womens   Size: _____ <small>(required for all new members, including new guard members)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$29.00	
Color Guard Performance Costume: (colorguard only)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$110.00	
District School Instrument Rental	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25.00	
Additional Staffing Fee: (all members)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20.00	
Sub Total:			
Subtract from my band account:			
Total Payment #1: (check attached)			

Special Note: Students may use money raised from individual fundraising projects to help offset the cost of any/all items from payment #1 above. We will have two fundraising projects that will be earmarked towards this.  
 #1: Pizza, cookie dough, candy bars (August) and  
 #2: Happenings Coupon books (September). Any unused money raised for individual accounts will carry over to the next season or may be used for regular band items throughout the year as well. If you are participating in the fundraising option, the Due Date for above costs to be paid in full is October 3rd.

**PAYMENT #2** (district activity fee): \$234.00 (due before August 15th)  
 This item should be paid in the **AHS Activities Office** prior to August 15th. They accept cash/check/credit cards. Students qualifying for free or reduced lunch program may have this portion of the fee reduced or waived. Families reaching the family maximum amount may check with the Activities Secretary regarding family totals, etc.  
 Note: You must write two **separate** checks for the two separate payments, even if you are making the payments at the same time.

Lastly - if you have questions regarding any of this, please contact Mr. Comeau in the band office via email at: [brent.comeau@anoka.k12.mn.us](mailto:brent.comeau@anoka.k12.mn.us) or phone at 763-506-8548.

**2006-2007 ANDOVER HS MARCHING HUSKIES HEALTH INFORMATION FORM**

Last Name		Middle	First	
Home Phone #		Instrument		
Home Address		City	Zip Code	
Sex:                    Male or Female		Grade in Fall 2006:     9    10    11    12		
Parent or Guardian Name: (Father)		Parent or Guardian Name: (Mother)		
Email Address		Email Address		
Person (Adult – not parent) to contact in case of emergency Relationship			Phone #	
Relationship			Phone #	
Family Physician or Clinic			Phone #	
Insurance Provider				
Policy #		I. D. Number		

**HEALTH HISTORY**

Check all that apply to you:

- Ear infection      Rheumatic Fever      Asthma                     Epilepsy/Seizures  
 Diabetes                 Back Injury                 Heart Condition      Behavioral

Other - Please describe completely:

Allergies:     Hay Fever     Insect Bites     Bee Stings     Food (list):

Current medications:	
Special Diet Needs:	
Last Physical Examination Date:	Last Tetanus Shot Date:
List any reason to restrict activity on trips:	
List any other pertinent information:	
I DO / I DO NOT (Circle One) give my permission for staff to administer over-the-counter pain killers (Tylenol, Ibuprophen, etc.) to my child as deemed necessary.	

**PARENT HEALTH AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE OF CLAIM**

This health history is correct, so far as I know, and the person herein described has my permission to engage in all Marching Band/Colorguard activities except as noted by me.

In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Band Director to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child as named on this form.

I/We further agree to release all Anoka-Hennepin Music Department Staff and sponsoring organizations from all claims or demands for ourselves and on behalf of our children, against said sponsoring Anoka-Hennepin Music Department Staff and organizations, their members, agents, representatives, or employees, for any personal injury and/or property damage that may be suffered during the regular Marching Band and/or Colorguard seasons and any subsequent events or trips we participate in.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Student Signature

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Date



## Welcome To The Andover Marching Huskies Booster Organization

Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month in Room B106 at Andover High School. We meet from 7- 9 pm. All are welcome!

We are working on many events for our students. The Andover Marching Huskies have been invited to take part in a show in Sioux Falls, SD on October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. More information will be available at a later date about these two exciting events. There will also be sign-up sheets for chaperones for the Sioux Falls show.

We are currently working on fund-raisers and donations in the areas of: salaries for our much needed staff equipment, student needs, trips, as well as other areas that may come up.

There are several ways to find out what is happening and how you can help with the Booster Organization. One of the best ways is to check the website: [www.andoverbands.org](http://www.andoverbands.org) . You could also ask your student if they have any information or handouts from us.

You may also feel free to contact:

President - Char Grandell at (763)413-3244 or email: [ken.grandell@fastsigns.com](mailto:ken.grandell@fastsigns.com)

Vice President - Mary Bursaw at (763)323-3533 or email: [bursaw4@comcast.net](mailto:bursaw4@comcast.net)

We hope to see you at our next Booster meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>.



