

Union Pines Marching Vikings

2023 - 2024 Letter of Intent and Band Fees Information

Welcome to the Marching Vikings family! The planning has begun for the upcoming year and we hope you and your child will join us! We need your help, however, to ensure that we have all of the information we need to make this year successful.

Attached you should find our "Letter of Intent". Please fill this out as soon as possible and send it back to Mr. Hill, or if you are an eighth grader, to your middle school director and then they can get it to Mr. Hill. This letter signifies that your child intends to join the Marching Vikings for the 2023-2024 school year and that you have read and agreed to the requirements regarding fees which are listed below. This letter is due on **March 1st** and your timely response is very important.

Band Fees: The fees, **\$300 total**, in addition to a few expected fundraisers this year, go towards the expenses of traveling to competitions, purchasing the music and drill, dry cleaning the uniforms, travel, assistant instructors, visual coordinators, props, color guard equipment, and the many other costs associated with a large and award winning band. Please realize that the fees we charge are still very comparatively low to large bands that we compete against.

We understand that this is a large sum of money. In order to make it easier to handle, if need be, we split the total into 3 monthly payments with the first (your deposit) due the first week of April. Of course you may pay the whole amount at once if you wish.

The first payment of **\$150**, which will be your deposit to hold your student's place in the show, will be due by **the first week of April 2023**. All numbers for the show will be finalized based on payment of this deposit and unfortunately we will not be able to add any students once the drill is ordered.

The second payment of **\$75** is due by **the first week of May, 2023**.

The third payment of **\$75** is due by **the first week of June, 2023**.

All payments must be received by **the first week of June, 2023** and are **non-refundable**. Items such as equipment, drill, etc. must be preordered and we rely on these fees to do that.

You may make payments by check (made to Union Pines Band), money order or cash. Enclose your payment in an envelope along with a note indicating your child's name and "band fees" and take it to Mr. Hill. If you are an eighth grader, you can take it to your child's middle school band directors and they will get it to us.

If you would like, you may also mail these payments to the school - just please be sure to mark the envelope Attn: Rob Hill. The school address is Union Pines High School, 1981 Union Church Road, Cameron NC 28326.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding band fees, scheduling conflicts or anything else, please feel free to contact Mr. Hill at 947-5511 or rhill@ncmcs.org. He will try his very hardest to make it work.

Also, please join us for our monthly band booster meetings- they are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm in the Union Pines band room. We hope to see you there!

Thank you for your cooperation and again, welcome to our band family!!

A summer practice schedule will be sent out before the end of the semester, but until then, here are the required camp dates...rookie week for all first year marchers will be June 12th to the 15th in the morning, and band camp weeks, all day, 9 to 5 will be July 24th to the 27th and also July 31st to August 3rd. In August, we will hold group practices on Tuesdays (Time TBA) and Friday night football starts again!

2023-2024 Letter of Intent for Union Pines Marching Vikings

Please complete the following:

Student's name _____

Student's cell number (so section leaders can contact) _____

Current 8th graders - what school do you now attend? _____

What instrument do you play? _____

Are you auditioning for color guard? _____ If yes, do you also play an instrument? _____

What instrument? _____

Parent's name _____

Home address _____

Home phone _____ Cell number _____

Email address(es) _____

We will use the information you provide above to make sure you receive updated information in a timely manner. Email is our preferred method of communication, and you will also receive an invitation to use Remind as a communication tool as well.

Please read the following then sign and date to signify your agreement:

I have read the attached band fee information and I understand that I will be required to pay \$300 per band student according to the above schedule with a **final due date of June 1, 2023, and that my fees are non-refundable.**

Parent's signature _____ Date _____

Please return this form in its entirety to Mr. Hill or your middle school director no later than **March 1st, 2023.**