

Greetings!

With class sign ups finished for the current high school students and right around the corner for 8th graders, I wanted to get some information out to parents and guardians.

Every student who participates in High School Band is automatically a part of the Cardinal Marching Band. A very rough draft of the schedule for this summer and next school should be attached to the same email you got this letter in, and can also be found at [ovbands.com](http://ovbands.com).

Every student in band must participate in our summer program. This includes band camp which will once again be held at Hope College in Holland. We will be staying at Hope from August 25 after having the first day of camp at OVHS. Cost for Band Camp this summer will be \$310. We will be doing two fundraisers to help offset the cost of camp, and information will come soon on those.

Payment for Camp will be due in full by Monday May 23rd. You are welcome to send money in installments at any time prior to this date if that is easier for you. If a situation arises where your student does not want to participate in band after you have made payments you may make a request for a refund by contacting Mr. Merchant by **Jun 1, 2022**. After this time we will not be able to refund money for any reason, due to our costs to Hope College and other fees.

I do not want the cost of Band Camp to be the reason a family does not participate in high school band. If after participating in the fundraises your family is still having trouble please contact me as soon as possible so we can work together for a solution.

The band camp tab at [ovbands.com](http://ovbands.com) will be up and running soon. Please check there for information or contact Mr. Merchant with questions. I want to make sure everyone has the information they need to make a great decision on band for next year.

Thanks!

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