



# MURPHY BAND NEWS

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## September 2019

Dear Students and Parents:

We've made it through our first couple of weeks of school, and we're off to a great start! The bands have made their first sounds, and we can already see the great possibilities for the year ahead. The beginners have been great at following directions, and your homes will soon be filled with sounds that thankfully get better and better.

### **A few items for the month of September:**

- Take care of all missing supplies. Visit our [website](#) if you aren't sure about specific items.
- Be sure you have reviewed our calendar and noted all required events. Check our [website](#) for a complete listing.
- To pay for our band shirt, visit [Parent Portal](#) to make your payment. If you are new to this payment method, you can click [here](#) for a step-by-step guide on how this works.

**September is Fine Arts Fundraising Month.** We need everyone's help to raise much needed funds for your child's band program. The two options you have are:

1. East Band March-a-thon - September 14 (7:45am - 9:30am)  
Students collect donations for this event. All band students in the EAST Cluster meet at Kimbrough stadium and march one mile. We then spell the word EAST on the field for a fantastic picture. Following this, Williams, McMillen and Plano East perform a tune for the middle school students. It's a fun event - we need all band students there. While attendance is required for band students, the fundraiser part of this event is optional.
2. Brochure Sales - September 12 - 23  
Students can help us sell various gifts and food items through friends and family. We work with a fundraising company that helps us make this event fun and successful.



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When collecting money from friends or family, please note that Plano ISD has very strict policies regarding checks, and we cannot accept any that are more than 5 days past their date. Also, any check given to us must be made out to Plano ISD and include the child's name and student ID number on the memo line of the check.

With everyone pitching in to help, we will meet our necessary financial goals to continue to provide your children with a fantastic band program. We appreciate your support!

Some upcoming dates to take note of:

**August 30 - Band Shirt Payments Due**

Please visit <https://parentportal.pisd.edu/Login.aspx> to pay for your shirt.

**September 5 - 8th grade band students go to McMillen HS Football Game @ Kimbrough Stadium**

More information [here](#).

**September 11 - Main Event Social - Payment and Registration is Due**

Payment and registration at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/mmsb2019mainevent>

**September 14 - Band March-A-Thon 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM @ Kimbrough Stadium.**

We need all our band students there! It will be a fun and easy way to raise funds for our band program! More information [here](#).

**September 29 - Main Event Social for Band - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ Main Event Plano**

Optional social open to all band students who paid and registered by the September 11 deadline.