

Dear Henrico County Band Families,

Based on the School Board's approval of starting the year virtually, we have made the difficult decision to not participate in a Marching Band season this fall. This decision was made by the Henrico County high school band directors in collaboration with our Performing Arts Specialist. Student safety was paramount in making this decision.

Instead, we will have the Marching Band class during the spring semester. This change will allow us to offer the marching arts to our students and communities while earning the same .5 honors credit for this class. We will be working throughout the fall to develop a plan that will give our students the best possible experience.

It is a privilege to have you as a valued musician/member of our organization. Thank you for your support of Music Education in HCPS and for being a strong advocate of Music in Our Schools. You play an essential role in everything we do!

Ryan Addair, *Glen Allen High School*

Rob Blankenship, *Freeman High School*

Eric Cousins, *Henrico High School*

Austin Frank, *Tucker High School*

Keith Green, *Varina High School*

Jim Pennington, *Deep Run High School*

Derek Ramsey, *Godwin High School*

John Sarvay, *Hermitage High School*

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