

Garnet Valley High School Marching Band

2019-2020

QUARTER NOTE CLUB INFORMATION HANDBOOK

Please verify that all student and parent contact information is up to date in CHARMS to receive all Band emails and updates!

The Quarter Note Club (QNC) was established in 1999 as a parent organization to support the development of the Garnet Valley High School Band programs. The Club provides assistance in the following ways:

- Provides essential adult support for various activities, including chaperones at football games and competitions, assistance with equipment and uniforms, and organizing band camp and other special events.
- Organizes fund-raising activities in which students are able to earn money to help defray costs of band dues, field trips and special events.
- Provides financial assistance to the band toward the purchase of instruments, equipment and other special purchases.
- Sponsors the GVHS Jazz Fest wherein jazz musicians from neighboring middle and high schools play and compete in an adjudicated event.
- Sponsors annual scholarships for graduating seniors.
- Promotes student band leadership by providing monetary support for band students who attend approved leadership training or drum major camps.

As a volunteer organization, we need help from parents for our many activities. Your children appreciate all the support you give. Thanks in advance for donating your time and energy.

Quarter Note Club Officers

President:	Jodi Hamilton	PresidentQNC@gmail.com
Vice President:	Jen Crothamel	VicePresidentQNC@gmail.com
Co-Vice President:	Nancy Doyle	VicePresidentQNC@gmail.com
Treasurer:	Glenn Rossi	TreasurerQNC@gmail.com
Secretary:	Eric Lyons	SecretaryQNC@gmail.com

QNC Website

The QNC has a page on the GVHS Music program's website at www.GVHSMusic.org that provides information about our organization.

Calendar

The official GVHS Band calendar can be found on the CHARMS website.

BAND CAMP

Attendance

It is the student's responsibility to let Dr. Selfridge know as soon as possible if you are unable to attend a session of Band Camp, a rehearsal, or any other event. Dr. Selfridge can be reached at 610-579-7750 or by email at selfris@garnetvalley.org

Mandatory Band Camp Dates:

Band Camp Week 1 [Full Days]

Saturday	Aug 10	9:00 am - Noon	<i>Freshmen & New Students only</i>
Monday	Aug 12	2 pm - 9:30 pm	All Students – Dinner provided
Tuesday	Aug 13	2 pm - 9:30 pm	All Students – Dinner provided
Wednesday	Aug 14	2 pm - 9:30 pm	All Students – Dinner provided
Thursday	Aug 15	2 pm - 9:30 pm	All Students – Dinner provided
Friday	Aug 16	2 pm - 9:30 pm	All Students – Dinner provided

Band Camp Week 2 [Evenings]

Monday	Aug 19	6 pm - 9 pm	All Students – Eat before you arrive
Tuesday	Aug 20	6 pm - 9 pm	All Students – Eat before you arrive
Wednesday	Aug 21	6 pm - 9 pm	All Students – Eat before you arrive
Thursday	Aug 22	6 pm - 9 pm	All Students – Eat before you arrive

Thursday August 22, 7:00pm - Friends & Family Preview Performance

Freshman & New Student Parent Meeting

There will be a brief meeting Saturday August 10, 2019 at 11:00 am in the Band Room to answer incoming parent questions.

Band Camp Details

During Band Camp each student should:

- Pack a dinner if they cannot eat what is provided for dinner (see daily menus below).
- Drinks (water only) – Bring a bottle of water. Water fountains will be available for refill.
- Dress comfortably for the expected hot weather, and prepare to be outside with sunscreen, a hat and sneakers. NO flip-flops, sandals or similar shoes.

Band Camp Dinners

Dinners are provided for students during the first week of Band Camp.

Monday	8/12	QNC Board	Pulled Pork barbecue
Tuesday	8/13	Juniors	Pasta
Wednesday	8/14	Sophomores	Hoagies
Thursday	8/15	Seniors	Chick-fil-A
Friday	8/16	Freshman	Pizza

➤ ***All dinners will have a vegetarian option. [Not necessarily vegan or dairy free]***

Parent Camp Dinner Volunteers Needed

Our different grade representatives provide dinner each night of Band Camp Week 1. We need parent help to make this possible! Volunteers help with set up, serving and cleanup. Please send your child's grade rep an email to let them know you can help for that evening (links below). You will need to arrive at 5-5:30 and should be done by 7:30. Please RSVP right away!

Monday	8/12	QNC Board	QNCBoard@gmail.com
Tuesday	8/13	Juniors	11thGradeQNC@gmail.com
Wednesday	8/14	Sophomores	10thGradeQNC@gmail.com
Thursday	8/15	Seniors	12thGradeQNC@gmail.com
Friday	8/16	Freshman	9thGradeQNC@gmail.com

Mandatory Band Rehearsal Dates Post-Band Camp

Remember that any schedule changes will be reflected in the CHARMS website calendar.

Monday	August 26	6 pm - 9 pm
Wednesday	August 28	6 pm - 9 pm
Monday	September 2	<i>No practice – Labor Day holiday</i>
Wednesday	September 4	6 pm - 8:30 pm

Beginning Monday September 9th, following the start of school, practice will be every Monday and Wednesday night from 6:00 pm until 8:30 pm.

First Game - Our first football game is Saturday evening August 24, away, at Downingtown West.

UNIFORMS

Show T-Shirts

Each student will be given a T-shirt for the current year's show, free of charge (the "Garnet Show Shirt"). The Garnet Show Shirt is part of both the Formal Uniform and Casual Uniform as noted below. Additional T-shirts will be available for sale to family and friends for \$15 each, subject to availability.

Formal Uniform

Our Formal Band uniform consists of black bib pants, a garnet jacket and a black hat with a plume. These uniforms are property of the school and are assigned to band members for use during the marching band season. The current Garnet Show Shirt must be worn under the black bib at every performance. In colder weather, a thermal layer of black Under Armor or similar insulating tech clothing is recommended for wear under the Garnet Show Shirt.

Band uniforms will be fitted and distributed throughout the week of band camp. Please make sure that you see the uniform committee. Remember, they are volunteering their time to help you look your best! Please show them respect.

It is your responsibility to keep your uniform clean and odor free. If your uniform becomes unacceptable during the marching band season you are responsible for having it cleaned at your own expense. Garnet Valley uses Concord Cleaners located in Concordville Town Center (next to the Acme). The uniform must stay at school unless it needs to be signed out for cleaning.

Shoes should only be placed in the back shoe pocket of the students' uniform bag, never in the main compartment with the uniform!!

Return of uniforms is considered a student obligation for graduation and/or receiving their report card.

Shoes

All Band and Color Guard members must purchase the appropriate uniform shoes at their own expense (see the attached Band Shoes form or Color Guard Shoes form for details). Returning students may use their old uniform shoes unless they need a different size or if the shoes are damaged so as to no longer be presentable. When worn, the entire shoe including shoelaces must be black. You must wear black crew socks with the uniform. Your shoes are your personal property and should be taken home with you after each use. If shoes are found in the uniform bags, a dry-cleaning fee may be assessed at the discretion of the Director and/or QNC.

Casual Uniform

The Band will wear the Casual Uniform at the Director's discretion. The Casual Uniform consists of the current Garnet Show Shirt, good quality solid color khaki pants/shorts, black crew socks and the regular uniform shoes.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Quarter Note Club Dues

All students who participate in ANY PART of the GVHS Band are required to pay QNC Dues. Annual Quarter Note Club dues are **\$100** for the first student in a family, plus **\$50** for each additional student in a family after the first. Dues are payable to the Quarter Note Club (QNC) and must be paid during the first week of Band Camp if you are in the marching band (by **Friday August 16th, 2019**). If you have sufficient funds in your student account, the money can be deducted from there. (Unfortunately, this will not apply to freshmen, as their middle school monies may not have yet transferred over to the High School account). Options for payment are detailed on the enclosed Dues Form, and include payment by cash or check as well as by credit card or bank card via the CHARMS website.

For anyone that may need financial assistance, please contact a member of the QNC Board.

The QNC dues are used for a variety of purposes to support the Band. During Band Camp, there are many special activities including band camp dinners, the end of year Band Banquet, pretzels during away games, hosting senior recognition night, dry cleaning fees at the end of the year,

hoodies for 3year band members and small gifts at the end of the year for seniors. The QNC also sponsors two scholarships each year for graduating seniors.

Band Jackets

Purchase of the GVHS Band jacket is optional. Sizing will take place during Band Camp, and samples will be available to view. See the attached Band Jacket Order Form for details on jacket specifications and pricing.

Social Media and Web Presence

GVHS Band content can be found on the following social media and other websites.

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/GVHSBand>

Twitter - <http://twitter.com/GVHSBand>

YouTube - <http://youtube.com/GVHSBand>

Flickr - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/GVHSBand>

Student Account Information

Each student in the band has a personal student account that contains the money the student has raised through various fundraisers. The student can apply the money in their student account to pay for band dues, trips and activities.

It is important to note that the student account funds are allocated to each student for use in Band related activities only. The QNC cannot refund any unused cash back to students from their accounts. Left over money in Band accounts may pass to younger siblings – Notify the QNC Treasurer at the end of your older student's Senior Year. Other funds will revert to the QNC.

Fundraisers

Details on fundraising opportunities can be found on the CHARMS website.

Band Class Requirement

All students must have a band class on their roster to actively participate in the marching band! If you have any questions about this requirement, please contact Dr. Selfridge at 610-579-7750. If you do not have a band class on your schedule, you will need to contact your guidance counselor and have a band class added.

**ALL FORMS AND QNC DUES MUST BE IN BY FRIDAY
AUGUST 16TH, 2019**

QNC Board Member Assistance:

QNC Officers will be available during Band Camp to answer questions and to collect forms and payments (by cash or check), and can be reached by email throughout the year (see page 1).