September 24, 2024

To: G.M.S. Band Students and Parents

Re: Pekin High School Homecoming Parade and Football Game

**** The PCHS Homecoming events will be Friday, October 4, 2024. We are asked to be lined up at 5:00 p.m. at what used to be the old high school campus; Dollar General. The parade begins at 5:30 p.m. We are typically further back in the line up for this parade. Band students need to be at GMS no later than 3:45 p.m. This will allow time to get into uniform and the equipment loaded.

***** Following the parade, we will stay at the high school. The Pekin band boosters will have food and drinks for all the students, at no cost to us. After supper, we will line up with the High School band and the Dist. 108 band for the pregame portion of the football game. Once pregame is finished, we will head back to Georgetowne. I do not know definite times for anything following the parade, but I am hoping to be back at Georgetowne by 8:00 p.m.

***** To prepare for the 'pregame' portion of the performance, we are asked to attend a rehearsal at the high school stadium on Tuesday, October 1st at 5:30 p.m. This practice will allow all the JH band students to learn where they are to stand on the football field, along with the H.S. band, during the pregame show for Friday night's football game. I ask that all marching band students be in attendance for this practice. We will leave GMS at 5:00. Following the evening practice, the PCHS Band will give an exhibition performance of their 2024 show for all the JH band students. We will return to GMS around 7:00.

**** <u>All band students must ride on the bus</u> going to the events. Following our portion of the homecoming events, if parents wish to take their son/daughter home they may do so after signing out that they are taking them.

If your son or daughter is remaining at the stadium for the football game, I MUST have a parent sign him/her out. I also must be notified in <u>ADVANCE</u> if your son/daughter is staying with someone else's parents. <u>I will not send a JH student back into the stadium unaccompanied</u>.

If this is your intention, please let me know in advance. Again, students leaving with parents will be responsible for their own uniforms and instruments. We will not take responsibility for the student's belongings!

Students....Don't forget your SPEEDSTERS and black socks!!!!

If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call.....382-3456, ext.206

In Music,

Mr. Woods

Director of the Marching Tigers

Mrs. Woods

Asst. Director of the Marching Tigers