

# FIRST COLONIAL BAND NOTES

JUNE 22ND, 2021

## LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings FC Band Family,

We made it to summer! I hope each of us is able to spend the summer relaxing & enjoying time with friends & family. Even though school is out, our band program will still be busy over the next few months. Make sure to check out all of our newsletters, social media posts & emails to keep up to date with everything going on. I will be out of town most of next week, but will be back in town for the remainder of summer starting July 6th. Until I see you again—stay safe & have a great break!

Musically Yours,

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FIRST COLONIAL HIGH SCHOOL

## 2021 BAND GRADUATES

I am so incredibly proud to have spent the last 4-5 years with these amazing young adults. I thank them & their families for sharing them with us & allowing us the opportunity to make music together, to help each other grow, & to enjoy getting to know each other. As they each take the next step in their journey, we wish them nothing but the best moving forward & hope they will visit us frequently. *Once a Patriot, always a Patriot.*

Sam S. - Jack B. - Chloe S. - Taylor M. - Faith S. - Jayna D. - Sydney S. - Evan C. - Mr. Walker - Damien F. - Keegan G. - David C.

Not Pictured: Angelique E. - Jeffrey H. - William J. - Trey R.

(We got everyone we could upon the conclusion of graduation, they were hurrying us out)



## MARCHING BAND 2021-2022 SEASON

The 2021-2022 Marching Patriots season is underway. Drumline & guard have been rehearsing for a few weeks now & our wind players have been placed into squads. All are working through our summer physical conditioning program. We will begin our voluntary/optional in-person conditioning on July 6th for all that wish to exercise together at FC or catch up on some playing fundamentals.

If you or somebody you know is still interested in joining, please contact Mr. Walker ASAP so we can get you into our group. We will be accepting new members through the end of July & into early August—until we begin writing the drill for our field show. We will still accept members up until Band Camp in mid-August, but we cannot guarantee a spot in the field show if the drill has already been written. We would love to have as many members join us this season as possible—we know you will have a great time once you get here & experience what the FC Marching Patriots are all about—helping each other as a family.

At this time, we are still in need of colorguard members—please share this information if you know of any students interested in learning flag, sabre, or rifle techniques.



## SUMMER CAR WASH FUNDRAISERS

As we start to emerge from the pandemic that has crippled us & our program the past 1.5 years, we will be holding multiple car wash fundraisers to help catch up on fundraising for all of our band programs. We need at least 10-12 student volunteers & 2-4 parents for each car wash. We understand if you cannot commit to the full length, we are just as happy to have you for part of a fundraiser.

Saturday, July 10th AutoZone (Little Neck) 9am-3pm

Saturday, July 24th AutoZone (Little Neck) 9am-3pm

Saturday, August 8th AutoZone (Little Neck) 9am-3pm

We may add 1-2 more if we are able to secure additional dates at the AutoZone or at the BP on Laskin/First Colonial. We hope to raise a minimum of \$500 per car wash, but usually bring in \$750-\$1,000. The more people we have, the more successful we have traditionally been.



## FCBB JULY MEETING

### WHEN

**TUESDAY, JULY 13TH, 6PM**

### WHERE

**1272 MILL DAM ROAD  
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA**

### MORE INFORMATION

We will hold our monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 13th at 6pm in person in the band room at FCHS.

If you are a parent/grandparent/guardian/caregiver, you are invited to be a member of the First Colonial Band Boosters. Meetings are held monthly where we discuss program direction, fundraisers, student events, & much more. All are encouraged to participate & help make our program the best that it can be.

To join FCBB in BAND, click [here](#).

## VBCPS / FCHS INSTRUMENT CHECK OUT

Instruments will be made available for check out for the summer beginning on Tuesday, July 6th. Priority will be given to students participating in marching band, auditioning for SRO in the fall, & then to those studying privately. After that, all students that are enrolled for band in the fall will be allowed to check out instruments based on availability. Please contact Mr. Walker if you would like to check out an instrument to be added to the waiting list & schedule an appointment.



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