

# GBBPA NOTES

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## GBBPA 2017-2018 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

MON 10/9	NO Practice	WED 10/18	Marching Wildcat Practice 4:00 - 6:00p
TUES 10/10	Marching Wildcat Practice 6:30 - 9:00p	THUR 10/19	Marching Wildcat Practice 4:00 - 6:00p
	<b>GBBPA Membership Meeting 7:30p</b>	FRI 10/20	AWAY Game @ Western Branch HS
WED 10/11	Marching Wildcat Practice 4:00 - 6:00p	SAT 10/21	Parade of Champions Competition @ JMU
THUR 10/12	Walmart Edinburgh Event (Section Leaders) 6:30a	MON 10/23	NO Practice / 1000° Pizza Dinner Night 5:00 - 8:00p
	Marching Wildcat Practice 4:00 - 6:00p	TUES 10/24	Marching Wildcat Practice 6:30 - 9:00p
FRI 10/13	AWAY Game @ Hickory HS	WED 10/25	Marching Wildcat Practice 4:00 - 6:00p
MON 10/16	NO Practice		Wildcats Perform: GB/Hickory Baseball Game
TUES 10/17	Marching Wildcat Practice 6:30 - 9:00p	THUR 10/26	Marching Wildcat Practice 4:00 - 6:00p



Thank you for a great weekend of football and marching band! The band had two great performances, wrapping up with a fourth place finish in AA (2nd in Guard and GE Visual) and sixth overall, ahead of a few outstanding band programs.

This week we have a few students at Senior Regional Orchestra auditions, an away football game at Hickory and our section leaders will perform at Wal-Mart for the opening of their new training academy. We also have two weeks to gear up for the JMU Parade of Champions. It is a busy week!

I will send out the JMU itinerary this week, but we will be performing much earlier than in past years. We are on before the afternoon awards and Marching Royal Duke performance, so our return time will be closer to dinner time.

We will also be leaving much, much earlier than in past seasons.

Here's to a great week!

- Mr. Ross

Hope everyone is rested up after another busy weekend! Great job Marching Wildcats at our home football game performance and at the Sportsplex Competition - we are so proud of you all! And ANOTHER BIG THANK YOU to all the parents who have been volunteering to give Mr. Ross and our kids a chance to do what they do! By donating water bottles, volunteering in concessions, selling raffle tickets and chaperoning YOU are making a difference, it takes a team to keep this program running successfully - THANK YOU for being a part of the Wildcat family!

We take a two week "break" with away games at Hickory HS on 10/13 and at Western Branch HS on 10/20. Close enough to stop by to support our band and football team! We then wrap up the football season with two home games on 10/27 and 11/3. Be sure to check charms for open volunteer spots for the last home games. There are open spots for food wrappers, concession workers and food runners. You may sign up in CHARMS or contact any of the board members to sign up! The last game on 11/3 is also SENIOR NIGHT where we will honor the band and guard senior students and their families. NON senior parents, please sign up to help donate food or volunteer so the senior families can be free to celebrate with their student, soon your student will be a senior!

Our JMU competition is right around the corner as well on Saturday, October 21. This will be an EARLY day and the Hospitality Committee is planning breakfast for the kids. If you would like to donate any breakfast items you may send your donations in to the band room labeled "JMU Trip". Hospitality will also be stuffing treat bags for the Marching Wildcats to receive after the Tallwood Competition on October 28. If you are able please send in your donation of candy to the Band Room labelled "Hospitality". This is an annual tradition that the kids really love - thank you!

Tuesday everyone is invited and encouraged to attend the GBBPA Membership Meeting. This meeting is for all band (marching and concert) and guard parents. The board will meet at 6:30p and the general meeting will begin at 7:30p in the Band Room at GBHS.

By now everyone should have received their Citrus Fundraiser information. This fundraiser has been a great way to earn money for our band and guard programs. You may order online if you have friends and family out of the area or via the order form. All orders are due by October 25.



The Hospitality Committee needs you! Here's how you can help:

**DONATE BREAKFAST ITEMS** - We will be serving our Marching Wildcats breakfast as they leave for the JMU Parade of Champions competition on October 21. Please donate items such as individual juice drinks, bagels, muffins, granola bars, etc. Send your items in to the Band Room labelled "JMU Trip".

**DONATE BAGS OF CANDY** - Treat bags will be handed out to our Marching Wildcats after the Tallwood Invitational Competition on October 28. Send in your donations of candy (or some other small, appropriate treats) to the Band Room labelled "Hospitality".

**DONATE FOOD and/or VOLUNTEER** - Our SENIOR Marching Wildcats will be honored at a reception on November 3, the last home football game of the season. Sign up in CHARMS! We are calling all of our NON-senior parents to help donate food and time so our senior families can enjoy time together. We will have a reception with food and some small giveaways for our seniors. If you know of any local businesses that would be willing to donate any items as a send off for our seniors it would be greatly appreciated. We are planning for 25 seniors this year.

Thanks everyone! Please contact me with any questions or if you would like to help!  
Annette Dickerson / Hospitality Chair / thedickersons@hotmail.com



Please consider attending the school board meeting scheduled for tonight at 6pm at the School Administration Building (312 Cedar Road). The first public hearing and work session on the proposed attendance zone adjustments (rezoning) is scheduled for this meeting and the new capital improvement plan is scheduled for release. Please consider attending in your green and gold and be informed about the decisions that could affect Great Bridge High School. It is time to advocate for our school, for our children. Consider speaking before the board or contact the board members by email or phone. It will likely be standing room only, so arrive early if you're able.



It's time for the CITRUS SALE! Your students should have their flyers for our annual fruit sale! (If you haven't seen them yet, be sure to ask them to search their back packs!) Sales are underway and will end October 25th. The funds raised support all of our band and guard programs. Reminder that checks should be made payable to GBBPA. If you have friends or family that want to support our fruit sale, they can order online and choose to have their fruit delivered directly to them. The website to order online is:

<https://shop.floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/124657>



JOIN the TEAM!! Come out and join the Chaperone Team. Marching Wildcat Chaperones are always needed for home and away football games as well as our weekend band competitions.

If you would like to help and hang out with the kids and be a part of the Wildcat action, please email Doug Wilkins at [doug.wilkins@att.net](mailto:doug.wilkins@att.net) or call 757-544-3154 with your name and contact number. Doug will contact you to see what events you are available to attend.

**DONATIONS OF 8oz WATER BOTTLES ARE NEEDED FOR THE KIDS FOR GAMES!  
PLEASE SEND YOUR DONATION TO THE BAND ROOM! THANK YOU!**



Scrip Tips of the Week:

- When placing an order for Food Lion gift cards, choose the "Food Lion (GBHS Band)" option to earn a 5% rebate instead of the 3% rebate offered by the regular "Food Lion" option.
- Current Bonuses offered through October 13th: Bath & Body Works 18%, Cabela's 14%, Domino's 11%, L.L. Bean 17%, Under Armour 13%

Start earning money for your child and the band with Scrip. It's the best fundraiser ever because it's "free money". You don't have to sell anything AND you support the band! Check out all of the retailers on [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com). You just buy gift cards and use them. There are over 700 retailers who participate!

How do I order Scrip? Go to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com). Create a family account. You will need the enrollment code: 69677AL212856. This code links your family account to the band. Simply place your order. Then an email is sent to me letting me know there is a pending order. Easy!

Don't forget Scrip orders are due on the first and third Fridays of the month which means the next deadline is Friday, October 20th. We also have Scrip in inventory. You don't have to wait!

Contact me for more information - I can help you get started!  
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