



## 2022 Summer Marching Band July 4<sup>th</sup> Performance

Dear DGN & DGS Marching Band Members:

Thank you for your participation in the July 4<sup>th</sup> community parade hosted by the Village of Downers Grove. We appreciate your willingness to represent District 99, as well as your high school, during this important performance. It's possible that more community members will see/hear our bands perform in this parade than all of our 'indoor' concerts – combined – during the school year. You are also providing an important service to the local community by sharing your musical talents as our nation celebrates Independence Day.

### ***Uniform:***

- ❑ Khaki (beige) dress shorts (no jeans or athletic shorts) and belt. Shorts should be long enough that they extend to or past a student's finger-tips when their hands are held at their side.
- ❑ SOLID WHITE short-sleeved t-shirt to wear under the D99 polo shirt we will give you at the line-up. No tank-tops please. No logos or imprinting on the shirt should be seen under the shirt we provide you.
- ❑ White socks (ankle-length preferred)
- ❑ Athletic shoes (preferably white/light in color).

### **\*Please do not bring**

- ❑ Hats of any kind, patriotic or other. Our goal is to look uniform; please express your individuality before or after the parade.
- ❑ Sunglasses, unless they are prescription from your eye doctor. Please also remove all jewelry, or cover piercings with a skin-colored band-aid

### **Large School Owned Instruments (Percussion and Marching Brass)**

Large school instruments (like Percussion and Marching Brass) may be stored in the North High Band Room after the rehearsal on June 30, 2022, at DGN. Students may pick these up for the parade on July 4<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon.

### **All other instrumentalists and Guard:**

Students should report to the DGN Football Stadium at 12:00pm to receive their school-issued uniform shirt. Please arrive in full uniform (except for the shirt that we will give you). Smaller instruments should not bring your instrument case, unless you want to walk back to DGN at the end of the parade to pick it up! **Have your instrument put together, and leave the case in your car when you are dropped off.** Larger cases (baritone, tenor sax, etc.) have the option of storing cases on the bus and/or trailer during the parade, and they will be available for you at the end of the parade route.

## Sheet Music & Audio Recording

The music that the combined band will perform this year is "A Patriotic Salute." We will not carry sheet music on lyres during the parade, so **each student is asked to memorize this music prior to the performance.** Copies of the music, and a practice audio file, may be found here:

[tinyurl.com/D99BandJuly4Music](http://tinyurl.com/D99BandJuly4Music)

## Day of Parade Tips

1. Eat a great breakfast and drink water the day before the parade. It's important to stay hydrated! (Volunteers will walk next to the band during the parade and use spray bottles to cool students down as needed. Additionally, DGN & DGS Boosters will provide water before and after the parade.)
2. Apply sunscreen for the parade.

### Schedule for July 4<sup>th</sup>

12:00 PM	Report to DGN Football Stadium. <u>Use the entrance on Prince St. to gain access. Look for Staff/Drum Majors near the Field House for shirt distribution.</u>
12:10 PM	Section warm-ups.
12:30 PM	Students will move to parade, staging north of the DGN tennis courts on Sherman Rd. between Prince St. & Main St.
12:45 PM	Downers Grove Parade
1:30 PM	Approximate time our band will reach the end of the DG parade: corner of Warren & Forest. Students will load large instruments into the bus/trailer. <b><i>All uniform polo shirts will be returned at this time!</i></b>



**I WANT TO THANK YOU**  
**FOR PLAYING IN THE**  
**DISTRICT 99 MARCHING BAND!**