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**Monday, October 17, 2022**

To All Parents/Guardians of Band, Color Guard, and Orchestra Students:

On October 29, we will host 21 high school bands across Southern California for the **Mt. Carmel Tournament of Bands**. More than 2,100 students, their chaperones, staff, and about 2,500 spectators will visit the campus for the Parade and the Field Shows. The tournament is the **largest and most important fundraiser** of the year.

The funds raised benefit **everyone (Band, Color Guard, and Orchestra)** in the music program. Our goal this year is to raise \$18,000, which will provide music instruction, new instruments, instrument repair, and improvements to the semi-trailer. With more than 700 shifts to fill and 350 food donation items, we need **EVERYONE** to pitch in to make this a successful event. We ask for help from you, your family, neighbors, and friends. **Each family is asked to pledge a minimum of two shifts and contribute two food donation items.** If you can do more, we would be extremely grateful.

Most positions require no previous experience, and any training needed is provided at the start of your shift. There are volunteer opportunities on Friday (10/28), Saturday (10/29), and Sunday (10/30). You can also donate food and equipment! All items must be dropped off at the band room by the date specified on the sign-up lists. Monetary donations to the Mt Carmel Music Foundation are welcome; we are a 501(c)(3) organization.

Join us! This is a fun day and a great way to support your student. By volunteering, you are helping to maintain Mt. Carmel's Music Program excellence. Although you may sign up for a specific shift, we very much appreciate your flexibility in volunteering wherever you may be most needed.

**ADULTS/PARENTS please sign up at [www.mchsbandtournament.com](http://www.mchsbandtournament.com)** (on the **Volunteers** tab). **STUDENTS please use the student sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a4ea8a72ea0f94-2022>**

Please sign up for your shifts, fill out this letter, and have your student hand it in to Mr. McPherson or Ms. Francis by **Friday, October 21.**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Section or Ensemble: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian/other adult(s):

Name	Cell Number	Email

Shifts Volunteered for:

Committee	Date	Start Time	End Time

**The Mt. Carmel Music Foundation and the music department thank you for your support!!**