2020-21 H.B. Plant Band Commitment Sheet

Welcome to the 2020-21 H.B. Plant Band! We are excited to have you as a part of band family and you are joining a national-awarded band program of over 200 students (the largest organization at Plant HS)! All students who sign up for band will be placed into one of the 3 concert bands: Wind Ensemble (advanced ensemble, audition only), Symphonic Band (intermediate ensemble, audition only), and Campus Band (nonauditioned ensemble). If you play percussion, you will be placed into Instrument Techniques, which is the Percussion class, and if you pass the audition for Jazz Band, you will be placed in the Jazz Band class. Participation outside of the school day is a requirement of the FL Department of Education; therefore band is a co-curricular class. This means events outside of the school day are graded. For H.B. Plant, this mostly includes concerts; Veteran's, Pre-MPA, District MPA, and Spring Concert are the typical ones during the year. In addition, we participate in football games, parades, and marching competitions.

Within the band program, students are divided into three main levels of participation: Non-Marcher, Football Band, and Competitive Marching Band. Each student/parent must select one of these three options using the QR code on the second page. The importance of knowing how many students are participating in the Football Band and Competitive Marching Band are vital to the summer planning. At any time, students may switch between Non-Marcher and Football Band, however a commitment to the Competitive Marching Band must be decided on by May 26, 2020 at the latest. Any student who wishes to be a part of the Competitive Marching Band after May 26 will be granted, but you will be an alternate. The drill for the Competitive Marching Band, which costs \$4,000, is composed over the summer and only includes students who commit on or before May 26. Therefore, changes to the Competitive Marching Band are not feasible. Please read through the descriptions below, then complete the Google form via the QR code.

OPTION 1: NON-MARCHER

No participation in the Football Band or Competitive Marching Band. Non-marchers are just part of one of the above-mentioned classes. Non-Marchers do not participate in football games, parades, marching band rehearsals, or marching band competitions. No after school commitment unless in Wind Ensemble. Participation in the 4-5 concerts throughout the school year is required. Band Participation Fee: \$150

OPTION 2: FOOTBALL BAND

The Football Band members are assigned one of the above-mentioned classes AND participate in all football games, parades, pep rallies, and other sport/community events as needed. There is no after school marching rehearsals Monday-Thursday; Friday is the only after school commitment during football season only. Students will perform during the football game both in the stands and on the field, and will be in a school-issued marching uniform. All students should be a part of this! Band Participation Fee: \$175 + District Uniform Rental Fee of \$37.98

OPTION 3: COMPETITIVE MARCHING BAND

The Competitive Marching Band will represent Plant HS in District, Regional and State Marching Band Competitions with a season running from August until Early-November. The rehearsal schedule will be: Monday: Percussion - 2:45-4:45pm

Wednesday:

Winds & Percussion – TBA

Thursday: Winds & Percussion - 6:00-8:30pm

Students must commit to all rehearsals, however exceptions will be worked out on a case-by-case basis. Marching Band will perform at halftime of home football games only starting in October and continue until early-November. There will be 2-3 marching competition on Saturdays: Oct. 24 and Nov. 7 are locked in. Students who are not involved with other activities during these months should participate in marching band. Members also in Football Band. Estimated Participation Fee: \$325 + District Uniform Rental Fee of \$37.98

FOLLOW THE QR CODE TO THE GOOGLE FORM AND COMPLETE ON OR BEFORE May 26, 2020!

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