

April 8, 2019

Dear Band Directors, Students, and Parents:

The Erie County Fair is now accepting applications for the 2019 Fair Band! This ensemble is open to musicians and color guard members (or dancers who are interested in color guard), currently in grades 7 through 12. This is an excellent and enjoyable opportunity for students to continue developing their confidence and musical skills throughout the summer months, while meeting students from other districts and providing entertainment to the community.

Students interested in joining the group are required to fill out and return the enclosed *Application* and *Band / Color Guard Director Recommendation* form by **May 10th**. Please be sure to read through the summer rehearsal and performance schedule and indicate any anticipated absences on your application. Be sure to **print legibly in ink**. The application is also available online this year at www.ecfair.org under the "Participate" tab. If submitting your application online, **please be sure to have your Director complete and submit a recommendation form**.

Students selected for the ensemble will be notified via letter within two weeks of the deadline. Membership will be granted based on students' band or color guard director's recommendations and the approval of the Fair Band staff. Previous involvement in the Fair Band program does not guarantee a spot in this year's band.

Our rehearsal schedule this year will be the same as it was last year; color guard will rehearse on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:00pm-8:00pm, and musicians will rehearse on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00pm-8:00pm, with the exception of two special rehearsals as indicated on the attached calendar. All rehearsals will be held at the Fairgrounds. Performances for the band will begin in late June or early July and continue through August, leading up to daily performances at the Erie County Fair.

Please submit completed applications by Friday, May 10 to:

Online Application: www.ecfair.org/p/other

Email: FairBandDirectors@gmail.com

Fax: (716)649-4687

Mail: Erie County Fair
Attention: Maria Lucero
5600 McKinley Parkway
Hamburg NY 14075

If you have any questions, please contact Kellianne Griffith at (716)544-1185 or fairbanddirectors@gmail.com. We are looking forward to another fun and successful summer season!

Sincerely,



Maria Lucero
Administration



Kellianne Griffith
Marching Band Director



Cameron Griffith
Assistant Director