

To: Northview 8th Grade and 9th Grade Band Parents
From: Janelle Hook/Verlyn Hoogland (Northview Band Directors)
Subject: Uniforms for Pella Tulip Time Parade/Parade Rehearsal Information
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It is that time of year when we must order our uniforms for the Tulip Time Parade in Pella on Saturday, May 3. The uniform consists of a white polo shirt with a Northview logo, and a maroon pair of shorts. In addition to this, band members wear white sweat socks and white tennis shoes that each student furnishes. Cost for the shirt and shorts are \$35. All 8th grade band members or anyone new to the district, need to purchase a uniform since this is their first year of participation. All 9th grade band members should own one from their previous year's participation. We do not want the cost of the uniform to prohibit anyone from participating. There are a lot of previously worn uniforms out there in the community. It is perfectly acceptable to obtain one of these. Please make your check payable to Northview Middle School. Students may bring their checks to their band instructor any school day. We request that all checks be turned in by **Friday, April 11**. **IF YOUR SON/DAUGHTER ORDERS A UNIFORM YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING FOR THE UNIFORM THAT WAS ORDERED!!**

Because we combine the 8th and 9th graders into one band of approximately 190 students, we must find a time to rehearse the two grades together. Since their rehearsal times during the school day occur during different periods, joint rehearsals must be before school. The following rehearsals will start at 7:00 am, April 14, 15, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 29, 30 May 1 & 2. **The parade is Saturday, May 3**. Please make note of these dates. It is very important that your son/daughter is at these rehearsals.

We are anticipating that the Pella Tulip Time Parade will be a very positive experience for our students. It is a great opportunity to showcase our band program, our school, and our community to over 50,000 spectators. It also is a means of introducing them to marching band and it keeps the students on task towards the end of the year. If you would be willing to chaperone please give us a call at Northview (965-9700).

Thank you for your continued help and support.

Sincerely,

Janelle Hook

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