



# COUGAR COURIER

ISSUE 2  
SEPTEMBER 2017

## GOALS FOR AUGUST

### **Retention!!!**

Now that the school year has begun the constant rehearsal that we had with band camp has faded to a few times a week. We need to come to rehearsal ready to learn, practice, and retain! Please urge your student to mentally review their drill so they can continue to be sharp at every rehearsal!

### **Music Music Music!**

Even with the end of band camp we cannot stop our focus on music this year. Remember music is one of the core pillars of our organization. It is imperative to have the music properly learned, and memorized so after school we can rehearse productively.

Even 15 minutes a day is better than nothing!

## CURRENT NEWS

Our season is off to a running start! Our Marching Cougars have performed at their first football game and we could not be more excited! As we get closer to the competition season we urge our members to continue to strive to become the best they possible can!

### **AS A REMINDER**

Students should be bringing clothes to change into, if they do not want to march in their school clothes, for after school rehearsals. Most importantly is that they have a proper pair of shoes and are prepared for the weather!

### [Absent Request Form](#)

PMEA/Other Co-Curricular/Trip/Leadership [Sign-ups](#)

## WHATS HAPPENING THIS MONTH

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Sept. 10 – Fun Fest ([1:30pm-5:00pm](#))

Sept. 15 – Pa Live ([4:40am](#))

Sept. 16 - Competition at Upper Dublin ([Report 3:15](#), [Depart at 4:30](#))

Sept. 23 – Full rehearsal at Harman Geist ([TBA](#))

Sept. 26 – Bloomsburg Fair Performance ([Depart HAHS 9:00am](#))

Sept. 27 – River City Brass Concert ([Report TBA](#))

### **Football Games:**

Sept. 1 – Away game at Wyoming Valley West ([Report 5:00pm](#))

Sept. 8 – Home Vs. Williamsport ([Report 5:00pm](#))

Sept. 15 – Home Vs. Abington Heights ([Report 5:00pm](#))

Sept. 22 - Away at Wallenpaupack ([Report TBA](#))

Sept. 30 – **Saturday!** Away at Delaware Valley ([Report TBA](#))

## LINKS

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[Marching Cougar Handbook](#)

[Absent Request Form](#)

[Charms Access](#)

[Remind Text Message Access Code](#)

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<http://epatch.state.pa.us>

Child Abuse History Clearance is available online:  
<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/findaform/childabusehistoryclearanceforms/>

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### Other Dates:

Sept. 7 – Band Booster Meeting (6:30pm)

Sept. 10 - HAAH Walmart Fundraising

Sept. 24 – HAAH Spaghetti Fundraiser (12pm-5pm)

### Symphonic Band / Jazz Ensemble Concert Dates:

Dec. 12 – HAHS Winter Concert ( Report 6:00 pm)

\*Report Times listed above are subject to change. Please keep an eye on the remind messages for accurate times.

## VOLUNTEER

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Volunteering is an important part of our Marching Cougars program. Please visit our website and sign-up to help the band out\*.

How to Get to the Volunteer Page: Click [this Link](#) and then click the Volunteer Tab and roll over Volunteer Needs.

\*Please keep in mind that some of the volunteer opportunities require clearances.

How to Update or Obtain Clearances

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