## MONTGOMERY BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL BLAZER MARCHING BAND

## **Montgomery Blair High School**

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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to another season of marching band! This year is going to be fantastic as we have a great show lined up (Music from *Harry Potter*), we're getting upgrades on our uniforms, and students and staff alike are recruiting hard for more membership! There's a lot of excitement over marching band, and I personally can't wait to get started with all of you!

I would like to take a moment to invite ALL of our school's music students to join the marching band. The marching band is open to students enrolled in concert/symphonic band, jazz band, and orchestra. This is a great opportunity to try something new and have fun at the same time! The marching band has the potential to soar to great heights, and YOU can help contribute to its success! Whether you're interested in learning a brass, woodwind, or percussion instrument, or joining the color guard to spin flags and rifles, there is a place for YOU in our Blazer Marching Band!

Parents!!!!! It cannot be stressed enough how important your role is in the success of our organization. We encourage all parents of music students to attend and be engaged in their child's musical experience. We are always looking for parent volunteers throughout the year to help with uniforms, equipment, water, transportation, music, and communications. If you have time to help, please send me an e-mail. We also highly encourage you to join our Music Boosters, the Blair Band and Orchestra Patrons (BBOPs). This group handles creative fundraising efforts to build a stronger program and also assists in important decision-making. The BBOPs meet once every month in the instrumental music room at Blair (Room 14) at 7:00 P.M. We encourage all parents of music students to attend! With your help, we will be able to grow stronger as a group! If you are interested, please contact me so you can become actively involved as soon as possible.

I am looking forward to a great year with you and having a blast with our marching band production! "The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team." Come grow with us by being a part of our team!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Raife E Oldham@mcpsmd.org.

GO BLAZERS!!!

Sincerely, Raife Oldham