

Dear Parent(s),

I would like to extend a special invitation to your child to join the St. Michael High Marching Band, the Dance Line, and the Cheerleaders for its annual Middle School Band and Spirit Groups Night. This unique event provides an opportunity for parochial band, dance, and cheer students throughout the Diocese to join the St. Michael High School Band, Cheerleaders, and Dancers for one of our home football games. I am sending music to your child's band director in advance so that they can practice this before the game so the young students can perform some of the "stands" music with the St. Michael High School band!

The date of the performance is Friday, September 23. Here's how the evening's festivities will take place:

• You are to provide transportation for your child to Olympia Football Field (7211 Perkins Rd., Baton Rouge, LA) for 5:00 pm, where they will sign in, receive a tshirt, and enjoy a delicious jambalaya dinner with their families.

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- At 6:15, all the students will assemble their instruments and will prepare to march into the stadium to sit with the St. Michael High School band for the duration of the first half and the halftime performance(s). Musicians will not have to pay to enter the stadium. Parents who wish to attend will have to purchase tickets to enter the stadium. We do encourage parents to attend the game so you too can enjoy the atmosphere of a St. Michael Game.
- The young musicians will sit with the St. Michael High School band and will perform several easier selections with the high school group.
- Your child will have the option to be dismissed from the stands after the halftime performance(s), but he/she may remain through the duration of the game if you wish.
- If you are dropping your child off and are not staying, please assign a responsible adult from your child's band class to keep an eye on your child throughout the duration of the game.

We are asking that in the event your child's Band Director cannot attend the game, a responsible adult from your school be appointed to represent your school's band. Please note that students will be expected to behave in an appropriate manner, and they will have to follow the same rules that apply to my high school students. Your students are my responsibility throughout the duration of the game and will not be allowed to leave the game until I dismiss them after the halftime performance(s).

Please go to the following link to RSVP your attendance for this year's Warrior Band Night: <u>https://forms.gle/8ARL2VjzGK66Wfx7A</u>

You may need to copy and paste this into your URL.

As always, your interest in our band program is acknowledged and appreciated. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at <u>kandry@smhsbr.org</u>.

I am confident that this event is sure to be a big hit with your child and all those who attend!

Musically yours,

Kevin M. Andry, Ph.D. Director of Bands St. Michael the Archangel High School