

# FORT GRATIOT BANDS REHEARSAL AND CONCERT McMORRAN AUDITORIUM May 18, 2010

The Fort Gratiot Bands will present their combined Spring Concert at McMorrان Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 2010. This is a fairly massive and expensive operation and we will need the co-operation of all students and their parents to make it a success. Admission is free; however donations are taken at the door.

**MOST IMPORTANT** is the rehearsal during the day. Moving this many people around and rehearsing together to present, a polished performance requires that all students attend. Any student missing the rehearsal will not be permitted to play in the concert. Cadet and Varsity Bands will rehearse in the morning and Beginning Bands and Recruiting Band will rehearse in the afternoon. They will be taken from Fort Gratiot to McMorrان and returned by school bus. Permission slips for the school year should already be on file.

For the evening concert, students should report to their assigned section and chaperone, at the correct time ready to play. Concert attire is dress clothes. There should be no jeans or shorts and skirts should be of appropriate length to cover the knee when seated.

All students are expected to help pack equipment for transportation at the end of the concert. Instruments must be placed in the proper area or they will not be picked up, music stands on the racks and percussion instruments in the loading dock.

**PARENT HELP IS DESPERATELY NEEDED!** We need chaperones for the rehearsal and the concert to provide supervision and move the group to the stage when it is time for them to perform. If you can help, please fill out the slip below and send it to school with your child. Copy of the background check form is available online on our website: [fortgratiotband.org](http://fortgratiotband.org) or at school attached to the bulletin board, have your student pick one up for you, if needed.

Permission slips should already be turned in for the 2009-10 school year; (It was the permission slip attached near the back page of the hand book, passed out the first day of school).

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Please consider chaperoning, the students behave much better when we have more eyes on them.

I can help chaperone the \_\_\_\_ 6<sup>th</sup> grade @ 12:30 pm until 2:30 pm, \_\_\_\_ 7<sup>th</sup> grade @ 10:30 a.m. until 1:15 p.m., or \_\_\_\_ 8<sup>th</sup> grade @ 7:45-11:15 a.m. \_\_\_\_ Recruiting band, 6<sup>th</sup> grade 12:30-3:30, 7<sup>th</sup> grade 10:30-3:30 (bring a bag lunch), 8<sup>th</sup> grade 12:30-3:30 (must eat "A" lunch with 6<sup>th</sup> grade and ride 6<sup>th</sup> grade buses to McMorrان). All of the daytime chaperones are needed in the evening to help supervise the students at the concert. You will NOT miss any of the performances.

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Student's name / class hour

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Evening helper or Chaperone's names

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Phone

Or, if you can help only in the evening:

I can help to pass out our programs to the public \_\_\_\_ or collect donations at the door. \_\_\_\_ (Please check).

Please have your student return this portion by Tuesday, May 11, 2010, if you are able to assist us.