



## ***Peters Township HS Marching Band***

**121 Rolling Hills Drive McMurray, PA 15317**

Dear Potential Section Leader and Captain Candidates,

**Congratulations on your interest in becoming a student leader or a captain for the Peters Township High School Marching Band!** Please read the student leadership expectations and complete the following application. ***Applications are due on Friday April 26th. Interviews will be Thursday May 2nd. More information will be provided.***

When selecting a leadership team, it is important to pick a team that fits together as a cohesive team and will work well together with the rest of the staff. There are no minimum requirements for selecting a section leader for all sections. If there is more than one perfect candidate, we may select two candidates for that section or we may combine sections to provide the Marching Band with the best experience from a leadership standpoint. Your responses on this application will be evaluated in the selection process as well as your interview. We will also take into account how you have previously exhibited leadership, musicianship, and other qualities. As a section leader, you will be expected to meet or exceed the expectations below. Your signature at the end of the application indicates your willingness to do so as well as your understanding that section leaders may be replaced at the discretion of the directors should you not fulfill the expectations set before you. Please read the following excerpt from the Marching Band Handbook on student leadership.

“Captains and section leaders are students who have been chosen based on an application process to take a leadership role within the Peters Township High School Marching Band. These students are selected based on (in order): prior performance (seniority and attendance record), grade level, leadership skills, attitude, and other criteria set-forth at the introduction meeting for the upcoming year. Everyone can not be selected for a position of leadership and not all sections may have a selected captain or section leader, but everyone is expected to accept the results. Captains and section leaders should try to resolve minor issues within their sections or through the drum majors and should immediately report major issues to a drum major or staff member. There are additional expectations of captains and section leaders which will be discussed during the selection process of student leadership in the spring prior to the Marching Band season.”

If you have any questions at any time, please do not hesitate to come ask!

Sincerely,

Mr. Young ~ Director of Bands



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## ***Peters Township High School 2024 - 2025 Marching Band Captain and Section Leader Application***

Name:

Current Grade:

Main Instrument:

Captain or Section Leader:

Marching Band Section:

How many years have you been in the Marching Band Program?

Email:

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## *Section Leader Expectations*

1. Be a respected member, competent musician and potential leader of my section.
2. Be a positive, active, and dedicated member of the Peters Township High School Marching Band.
3. Be committed to playing, marching, and memorizing at a high level, so you are able to assist others in doing the same.
4. Be a team player and will promote band unity through your attitude and attendance at band and leadership events.
5. Be responsible for taking attendance at every rehearsal and performance. Report the attendance to the family captains.
6. Be an active member of the High School Band program either as a member of the Concert Band, Jazz Band or Wind Symphony unless extreme academic circumstances.

## *Captain Expectations*

1. Be a positive, active, and dedicated member of the Peters Township High School Marching Band.
2. Work alongside the section leaders to establish instrument position and marching technique for all members.
3. Remind the section leaders to complete their attendance and double check that it has been entered into the system.
4. Be musically proficient at your primary instrument part that you could teach it at any time.
5. Be visually proficient at all commands and movements such that you could teach them to all members.
6. Carry a binder with all drill charts marked with the appropriate set numbers, patterns and cues.
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**\*Other Student Leadership roles may be created/appointed by the Band Staff\***



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***Please answer the following questions (in space provided or attach separate paper to application):***

1. If selected to be a section leader or a captain, do you agree to attend every scheduled rehearsal and performance of the marching band?  
Yes No
2. Do you understand that your role as a positive leader in the band program will be expected throughout the entire school year and should be reflected in everything you do inside and outside of school?  
Yes No
3. During the summer there are tasks that need to be accomplished to help prepare for marching band camp. Are you available this summer to help?  
Yes No
4. Are you capable of mediating and resolving conflicts within your section?  
Yes No
5. Are you willing to schedule and run sectionals during the summer and fall?  
Yes No
6. Will you be willing to work together with another section leader in your own section?  
Yes No
7. Will you be available for a Student Leadership Meeting before mini camp on Monday June 3rd?  
Yes No
8. Have you had previous section leader experience? If so, please indicate in the space below.

**The signatures below signify:**

1. Your acceptance and understanding of the terms set forth in this application!
2. Your acceptance of the directors' decision regarding drum major/section leader/flag captain selection!

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_