

# EG MUSIC notes

EGIMA ■ Elk Grove Instrumental Music Association

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## What is EGIMA?

Every band and orchestra student, every parent, and all the directors are a part of EGIMA. Our goal is to have all parents doing their best to support their student and their school.

Each parent volunteer brings their own talent and skills forward in an effort to raise funds for music education, trips, competitions, uniforms, camps and instrument maintenance.



In addition, EGIMA provides opportunities for both individual and group performances. These events give the students a chance to build confidence and improve their skills. Our community is then provided with outstanding entertainment by our students, a priceless moment of pride for all of us!

We cannot exist without parent volunteers! All the board members and committee chairs are parents who donate their time in an effort to meet EGIMA's objectives:

- To establish and maintain an enthusiastic community interest in the various functions of the Music Department of Elk Grove High School.
- To lend all possible support, both moral and financial, to the Orchestra and Band Program of Elk Grove High School.
- To cooperate with those in charge of the Music Department and Elk Grove High School to the end that this department be kept at the highest possible degree of efficiency.

### EGIMA Board

**Joan Arrington & Karen Barnes:** Co-Presidents  
**Sherri Hynes:** 1st Vice President  
**OPEN:** 2nd Vice President  
**Grace LoBianco:** Treasurer  
**OPEN:** Recording Secretary  
**Terri Moskal:** Corresponding Secretary

### Committee Chairs

**Annette O'Brien:** Hospitality – Band & Orchestra  
**Pam Nelsen:** Publicity  
**Jim Nowak & Marty Bianchi:** Trips – Band  
**OPEN:** Trips – Orchestra  
**Gina Garvin:** Uniforms – Band  
**Sharon Cadwalder:** Uniforms – Orchestra, Girls  
**Jane & Richard Sloger:** Uniforms – Orchestra, Boys  
**OPEN:** Volunteers  
**Charlie Kandefer:** Christmas Trees  
**Kim Niebuhr:** Spirit Wear

### Coming soon

Your student will soon be given an EGHS Music Department handbook. Please take the time to review it. You'll find more information about EGIMA, volunteer opportunities and a calendar of events.

## Mark your calendar...

**Wednesday, September 1 • 6-8:30 PM**

Marching Grenadiers Rehearsal .....EGHS.....MG

**Friday, September 3 • 5:30 PM**

Football vs. Barrington (Jr. High Night) .....EGHS.....MG

**Wednesday, September 8 • 6-8:30 PM**

Marching Grenadiers Rehearsal .....EGHS.....MG

**Saturday, September 11 • All Day**

Lake Park Lancer Joust .....Lake Park HS.....MG

**Wednesday, September 15 • 6-8:30 PM**

Marching Grenadiers Rehearsal .....EGHS.....MG

**Sunday, September 19 • 10 AM-3 PM**

Car Wash Fundraiser .....EGHS Front Parking Lot.....MG & Orch

**Tuesday, September 21 • 7 PM**

EGIMA Meeting .....Faculty Lounge .....Parents

**Wednesday, September 22 • 6-8:30 PM**

Marching Grenadiers Rehearsal .....EGHS.....MG

**Friday, September 24 • 5:30 PM**

Football vs. Buffalo Grove .....EGHS.....MG

**Saturday, September 25 • All Day**

Chicagoland Marching Band Fest.....Wheeling HS.....MG

**Wednesday, September 29 • 6-8:30 PM**

Marching Grenadiers Rehearsal .....EGHS.....MG

**Thursday, September 30 • TBA**

Homecoming Parade .....EGHS.....MG

**Thursday, September 30 • 3:30 PM**

Alumni Library Reception .....EGHS Library .....Orch

For the complete 2010-11 Music Department Calendar, go to [www.eghs.d214.org](http://www.eghs.d214.org), and select "Fine Arts." The calendar appears on both the Orchestra & Band pages.

## Place your orders

Our new spirit wear website is up and running! You can order T-shirts, hoodies, sweats and more. Multiple designs are available for both the EG Orchestra and EG Marching Grenadiers. And the new performance polo is also available for purchase online. The first round of orders placed in August are currently being fulfilled and will be distributed on September 8 in the Band Room. Another round of orders will be placed soon. Check it out at [www.companycasuals.com/EGmusic/](http://www.companycasuals.com/EGmusic/)

# MARCHING GRENADIERS

## EG Home Football Games

For all home football games, students should be in the EGHS Band Room at 5:30 with...

- uniform
- marching shoes
- black socks

For any parents who would like to lend a hand, we would love the help!

Come to the Band Room at 6:30 to assist with water preparation and getting music and equipment to the football field.



## This Year's Show



# Lend a hand! Car Wash Fundraiser

Sunday, September 19  
**10AM – 3PM**

All students are required to help. Remind your teen to sign up for a time slot, in either the band or orchestra room.

## More upcoming fundraisers

- ★ Cheesecakes
  - ★ Christmas  
Trees & Wreaths
- More info soon!*

## We want to hear from you!

If you have any fundraising ideas, would like to make a comment or ask a question, please send an email to: Joan Arrington ([jri901@aol.com](mailto:jri901@aol.com)) and Karen Barnes ([karenbestrealor@comcast.net](mailto:karenbestrealor@comcast.net)).

## Coming soon

New uniforms are on the way! They should be arriving within the next few weeks. The new uniforms will be stored at school.

## Lancer Joust

The Marching Grenadiers will be competing on Saturday, September 11, at the 32nd Lancer Joust Marching Band Competition, held at the Lake Park West Campus, in Roselle. Bands representing high schools from throughout the Midwest including Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana and Illinois are set to perform in preliminary competition. Finals competition featuring the top ten bands that progress out of preliminaries will compete in the evening.

Admission to the Joust is by ticket only and can be purchased at the gate. For ticket prices and further details, go to [www.lancerjoust.com](http://www.lancerjoust.com)

As with any other performance, this contest is a requirement of the Marching Band class. It is imperative that we follow the schedule closely. Be sure your teen brings black socks, marching shoes, "Lux" T-shirt, and uniform. FYI: Their uniform's pant leg should stop at the top of their shoe (not bunched up). If they need to be hemmed, please do so well in advance of the Joust.

Lunch will be provided for the band. But since it may be a long day, please be sure to send your student with extra money for concessions.

The band has worked really hard on this year's show and have worked diligently to prepare for this competition.

We will need parents to help with equipment. We also need parents who are willing to help by video taping the performance from up as high as possible in the grandstands.

Since a supportive and enthusiastic audience helps to elevate their performance level, we need people to cheer them on. *So please plan to attend!*



## A great deal!

**Band and orchestra students have the opportunity** with each fundraiser to earn credits in their student account. It is a goal of EGIMA to offer students opportunities to earn extra money to help pay for some of their band and orchestra expenses.

We do this by providing fundraisers where a percentage of profits go into your student accounts. The money in your student account can be used to pay for band camp, uniform pieces, trips, private lessons, etc.

Take advantage of every opportunity to enhance your account by participating in the fundraisers. Credits are based on a percentage of the profits earned for the music department.

After each fundraiser, students accounts are updated and posted in the band and orchestra rooms. If a student wants to access their account, they need to request it in writing, stating the amount of credits they wish to use, and what they will be used for. This is to be given to their music director.

The credits can only be used for music-related expenses. Any credits remaining when they graduate can be transferred to a sibling in the music program or one joining the program the next school year. Credits not used or transferred revert to EGIMA general funds.

## Ads for sale

**This year, we will host** our annual Fall Music Showcase (formerly known as "Pops, Pizza & More!") on Saturday, October 23, and the Holiday Concert on Saturday, December 11.

To help pay for some of the costs of these events and to earn extra money for new instruments and other items Elk Grove Instrumental Music Association and the Elk Grove Choral Parents Association support, we need your help in recruiting sponsors and advertisements to appear in the programs of our two largest events.

You will soon be receiving a packet via email which explains the purpose of the Elk Grove Music Program and the levels of participation. Please read it over and become familiar with the different levels of sponsorship, and advertisement rates that are being offered.

Remember, for each sponsor and/or advertisement that you are able to sell, 20% will be credited to your student account!

Ads are due by October 1, and should be sent via email to [egimaeghs@gmail.com](mailto:egimaeghs@gmail.com).

## FREE Concert For Chicago

**Riccardo Muti launches his inaugural season** as music director of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra with a FREE concert for Chicago on Sunday, September 19, at 5:30 p.m., in the Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park.

Arrive early to picnic on the lawn and enjoy special preconcert performances by Chicago youth on stage and throughout the park, beginning at 2 p.m. Seating for this free event is first-come, first-served.

Program to include *Overture to La forza del destino* (Verdi), *Les préludes* (Liszt), *Romeo and Juliet* (Tchaikovsky), and *Pines of Rome* (Respighi).

For further information, go to [www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org).

SAVE THE DATE



# Fall Music Showcase Fundraiser

Bring the whole family and enjoy an evening of dinner and entertainment presented by the Elk Grove High School Band, Orchestra and Choir.

## Saturday, October 23, 2010

### 6 - 9 p.m.

(Doors open at 5:30 p.m.)

### Elk Grove High School Gymnasium

Admission

Adults: **\$5**

Students and Seniors: **\$3**

Children under 5: **FREE**

- **Food will be available for purchase**
- **Raffle with prizes donated by local businesses**

All monies earned from this event will benefit the Music Programs at Elk Grove High School.