

# Welcome to the Chatfield Brass Band!

Here is some info that you might find helpful as you begin your time with us.

The Chatfield Brass Band has a rich history. James Perkins founded the band in 1969. We have been going strong ever since. Our band also runs the Chatfield Music Lending Library. You are welcome to visit anytime. O The band's purpose is threefold: 1) to provide opportunities for amateur musicians to perform and grow musically; 2) to enhance the quality of life in Chatfield and the surrounding areas and 3) to continue Chatfield's proud tradition as "Bandtown, U.S.A."

1. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:45 p.m. in the elementary band room. The elementary school is on Hwy. 30. Go in the first parking lot and enter the event doors. The band room is the 2<sup>nd</sup> room on the right. We do not have an attendance policy. Our band members are active and very mobile! Please be at rehearsals as often as you can.
2. Do not worry about being out of shape. Our members have been in the same position at one time. We understand completely and we do not expect perfection.
3. We will give you a band mentor to give you guidance, if needed.
4. Our performance uniform for summer concerts and parades is a white shirt, black pants, black shoes and socks. We dress up for the Holiday Concert. You can buy a band shirt at Threads in downtown Chatfield for around \$29.
5. Our schedule: We rehearse from Sept. to the end of November, and present a Holiday concert the second Sunday in Dec. Then we take a break until the middle of January and rehearse through May. We play 6 summer concerts in the park on Thursday evenings and play several parades .
6. If rehearsal or performance gets canceled due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances, we will call you or send an email. If it is below zero, we usually cancel rehearsal. If you're still not sure, call Carmen.
7. Here is some contact information:  
**Carmen Narveson, director 867-3315 259-8479**  
**Music Lending Library 867-3275**  
**Band website: [chatfieldband.org](http://chatfieldband.org)**

If you ever have any questions, ask your section mates or Carmen. We want to you to feel comfortable and enjoy your time with us!