

# EFFINGHAM COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

## REBEL REGIMENT

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Dear Band Family,

We are pleased to extend an invitation for your child to participate in the 2024-2025 Rebel Regiment! We feel comfortable in stating that your child has the musical and personal qualities that we are looking for in a member of our marching band program. This year we will be having a three-day orientation camp in which we will provide everyone the opportunity to experience the marching and musical aspects of the Rebel Regiment. The camp will take place April 29 - May 1st. All first year marchers interested in being a part of the 2024-2025 Rebel Regiment will be required to be at the entire camp. Veterans not serving on the leadership team only need to attend the 5/1 date.

As a member of the Rebel Regiment, all students are required to attend spring training, summer band camp (see schedule), attend all rehearsals, perform at all football games, attend all competitions, and attend all other parades and performances. Please note that there is a football game during fall break. Due to the competition season, upperclassmen should avoid taking the ACT or SAT in October as well.

The rehearsal schedule for this school year will be Tuesday afternoons from 3:45-6:30 and Thursday afternoons from 3:45-6:30. Percussion and Guard (and occasionally wind players) will rehearse Monday afternoons from 3:45-6:00 for sectionals. All Rebel Regiment students are expected to maintain high academic standards. Students participating in co-curricular (after school) activities must meet GHSA eligibility requirements. Each current high school student must pass 5 of 7 classes the 9 weeks before the activity. If a student has failed a class and is not academically eligible, then the student must attend and pass a summer school course. Current middle school students will begin with a "clean slate", but it is important for all students to maintain and strive for good grades. Feel free to contact the band office if you have any further questions [walford@effingham.k12.ga.us](mailto:walford@effingham.k12.ga.us) or (754-6404) Ext. 1245.

All members are also required to pay a **non-refundable** marching band fee of \$150.00, which assists with the numerous expenses involved with running the Rebel Regiment. Additionally, students playing school owned instruments are required to pay a **non-refundable** \$50.00 instrument rental fee (includes all percussionists). New members and old members that have outgrown their marching shoes must buy marching band shoes. The cost this year is \$30.00, which includes shipping to the school. Members whose shoes are in good shape need not purchase new shoes. A separate uniform fee will apply to all students for cleaning and maintenance of our school-owned uniforms. The uniform fee is \$35.00 and may be turned in with marching band fees or once school begins.

While we understand this is a significant amount of money, most schools in our state have band fees much higher than ours. Because of an active booster organization, we are able to keep our band fees very low. The reason we are able to be successful while asking for significantly less funds is the money raised during the season. To ensure our success, we ask that all parents help with at least one event during the season. This can be chaperoning, working in the concession stand, helping with road crew, and many other ways. There will be opportunities to sign up to help at the registration nights. We need you!

Being a member of the Rebel Regiment is a rewarding experience. We are extremely proud of this award-winning band. The Rebel Regiment is one of the premier marching bands in South Georgia. Students learn self-discipline, dedication, perseverance, and teamwork while increasing their level of personal responsibility and self-esteem. All the while, students develop a sense of school pride. The opportunities that a band program offers are well worth the necessary effort and dedication. The Rebel Regiment has continued "A Tradition of Excellence", and we are proud to extend this invitation to your child to be a part of our marching program.

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### PRE-SEASON SPRING SCHEDULE:

**MARCHING INVITATIONS DUE ON APRIL 19th ALONG WITH 1<sup>ST</sup> REBEL REGIMENT PAYMENT OF \$25.00!**

**DRUM-LINE/COLOR-GUARD CAMP** (Bus Transportation will be provided from EMS)  
APRIL 16-18 4:00-6:00 PM

APRIL 22 CG AUDITIONS 4:00-?

#### **NEW PARENT MEETINGS**

MONDAY, April 29 6:00 PM in the Effingham Co. MS Band Room

TUESDAY, April 30 6:00 PM in the Ebenezer MS Band Room

All **NEW** marchers and one parent per family must attend one of the meetings. *HS new marchers should go to the ECMS meeting.*

#### **SPRING TRAINING**

APRIL 29 - MAY 1 4:00-5:30 PM (All Rookies and Leadership, and all DL/CG, Attendance is mandatory!!!) Camps held at both middle schools

MAY 1 4:00-5:30 PM (EVERYBODY @ ECHS, ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!!!) Show Reveal at practice!

MAY 10 **2<sup>nd</sup> REBEL REGIMENT FEE DUE: \$50.00**

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### **SUMMER WORKOUTS (REHEARSALS ARE MANDATORY!!!!!!!!!!)**

There will be 2 summer workouts in the month of June this year. These workouts are designed to keep the students from going six weeks without playing and to keep the music fresh. It will make the beginning of band camp much easier especially since we pushed camp back a week this year to give everyone a longer summer break. These workouts will be indoor playing/guard work only. If you have a schedule conflict, please contact Mr. Alford.

JUNE 4 Full Rebel Regiment 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

JUNE 18 Full Rebel Regiment 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

### **PRE-SEASON CAMP (REHEARSALS ARE MANDATORY!!!!!!!!!!)**

JULY 18 Leadership Workday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Rookie Registration Night 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

JULY 19 Leadership Workday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Veteran Registration Night 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

***FINAL REBEL REGIMENT FEE DUE: \$50.00***

JULY 22-24 All 2024 Rebel Regiment 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

\*See Detailed Schedule Attached

JULY 25 & 29-30 All 2024 Rebel Regiment 8:00 AM - 9:30 PM

\*See Detailed Schedule Attached

JULY 31- AUG 2 All 2024 Rebel Regiment 4:00 PM - 9:30 PM

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### DETAILED BAND CAMP SCHEDULE

#### Thursday, JULY 18

9:00 AM-4:00 PM

6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Leadership Work Day

**ROOKIE REGISTRATION NIGHT** (All Rebel Regiment Parents and students are required to attend registration night. You may come at any time during the registration times to fill out paper work, medical forms, and pay remaining fees. It will only take 15-30 minutes)

#### Friday, JULY 19

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Leadership Work Day

**VETERAN REGISTRATION NIGHT** (All Rebel Regiment Parents and Students are required to attend registration night. You may come at any time during the registration times to fill out paper work, medical forms, and pay remaining fees. It will only take 15-20 minutes)

#### JULY 22-24 (MONDAY-WEDNESDAY)

8:00 AM-10:00 AM

10:00 AM-11:45 AM

11:45 AM-12:30 PM

12:30 PM-2:00 PM

2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Drill Development (Outside)

Indoor sectional rehearsals

Lunch (Provided)

Indoor Drill Development

Sectionals/Full Ensemble Rehearsal

#### JULY 25 (THURSDAY) & JULY 29-30 (MONDAY-TUESDAY)

8:00 AM-10:00 AM

10:00 AM-11:45 AM

11:45 AM-12:30 PM

12:30 PM-2:00 PM

2:00 PM-4:00 PM

4:00 PM-7:00 PM

7:00 PM-9:30 PM

Drill Development (Outside)

Indoor sectional rehearsals

Lunch (Provided)

Indoor Drill Development

Sectionals/Full Ensemble Rehearsal

Dinner Break (**Go home** and relax)

Evening Rehearsal (Marching and Playing)

#### JULY 31-AUG 1 (WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY) Practice will be from 4:00PM - 9:30 PM due to teacher planning. Supper will be provided

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

6:00 PM-7:00 PM

7:00 PM-9:30 PM

Sectionals/Full Ensemble Rehearsal

Dinner (provided)

Marching and Playing Rehearsal Outside

#### AUGUST 2 (FRIDAY)

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

7:15 PM - 7:45 PM

8:00 PM

Preview Night Dress Rehearsal

Dinner (Provided)

New Parent Orientation

Preview Show!

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### 2024 ECHS Football Schedule and Tentative Band Competition Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
8/23	Houston County	Away	7:30
8/30	New Hampstead	Home	7:30
9/6	Brunswick	Home	7:30
9/13	Bradwell Institute	Away	7:30
9/20	South Effingham	Home	7:30
9/27	Lakeside Evans	Away	7:30
10/4	Bye Week - No Game		
!10/11	Evans	Away	7:30
10/18	Greenbrier	Away	7:30
^10/25	Glynn Academy	Home	7:30
+11/1	Statesboro	Home	7:30
11/8	Playoffs TBD	TBD	7:30

^ **Middle School Band Night**

! **Fall Break, the band is still performing!**

+ **Senior Night**

#### Tentative Competition Schedule

9/28	Walterboro Band Classic	CCHS
10/5	Coastal Empire Classic	ECHS
10/19	Marching Mustang Invitational	SEHS
11/2	TBA	

We will be competing on the dates listed above. Please keep these Saturdays open! Upperclassmen, make sure you schedule the SAT/ACT around competition dates. Summertime is great for these tests!

The Rebel Regiment also performs in parades to support our community. The band performs at the Fair Parade (10/21), Rincon Christmas Parade (11/23), and the Springfield MLK Parade (1/20).

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PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING FORM ONLINE **OR** SUBMIT THE PAPER FORM TO YOUR DIRECTOR ALONG WITH YOUR \$25 DEPOSIT BY FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024.

**Submit the following from online via Google Forms using the following link (<https://forms.gle/9wsV8NXwG1EQf71d9>) or scan the QR code:**



STUDENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE ENROLLED IN NEXT FALL: \_\_\_\_\_ INSTRUMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

T-SHIRT SIZE: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

I, as parent or guardian of the above student, with the understanding of the importance of attendance at all rehearsals and performances set forth by the Rebel Regiment, give permission for my son/daughter to be a member of the 2024-2025 Rebel Regiment.

PARENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

I, as a member of the ECHS Rebel Regiment, accept this invitation to marching band with the understanding of the importance of attendance at all rehearsals and performances set forth by the Rebel Regiment.

STUDENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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# **E.C.H.S. COLOGUARD**

All students attending Effingham County High School next year are invited to audition for the ECHS Colorguard. There will be a basics camp April 16-18. All interested members are required to attend the entire camp. The auditions will be Monday, April 22 after school. The squad will be posted the morning of Tuesday, April 23. All CG will take part in spring training as scheduled. Measurements for uniforms will be taken at school the week of April 29.

If you are interested in being a member of the 2024-2025 Guard, please submit the invitation and indicate “guard” along with your instrument. During the basics camp we will instruct on the fundamentals of flag spinning and hold informational sessions on what is required to be a member of this prestigious group. We hope to see you there!

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Payment Coupons. Please cut off each slip and turn it in to your child's band director with payment by the payment deadline. **If you would prefer to pay the fees all at once, you are certainly welcome to do so.** We break the payments up to make it easier for everyone.

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### Payment Coupon #4 Due Friday, August 23, 2024. (Miscellaneous Fees Balance Due)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check applicable payments due:

Uniform (\$35) \_\_\_\_\_ Shoes (\$30) \_\_\_\_\_

School Instrument (\$50) \_\_\_\_\_ Color Guard Uniform (\$120) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid to Date: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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### Payment Coupon #3 Due Tuesday, July 19, 2024. \$75

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid to Date: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2024 Fee Schedule: RR Fee: \$150. Uniform Rental: \$35. Shoes (if needed): \$30. School Instrument (if applicable): \$50. Color guard Uniform fees TBA.

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### Payment Coupon #2 Due Friday, May 10, 2024. \$50

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid to Date: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2024 Fee Schedule: RR Fee: \$150. Uniform Rental: \$35. Shoes (if needed): \$30. School Instrument (if applicable): \$50. Color guard Uniform fees TBA.

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### Payment Coupon #1 Due Friday, April 19, 2024. \$25

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid to Date: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2024 Fee Schedule: RR Fee: \$150. Uniform Rental: \$35. Shoes (if needed): \$30. School Instrument (if applicable): \$50. Color guard Uniform fees TBA.

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### Other Payment Options:

We also accept payments through PayPal. In order to send payment by this method, you must log into your PayPal account. Use the "Send" option and enter the following email address:

[echsbandtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:echsbandtreasurer@gmail.com); then, enter the amount that you wish to pay and, in the notes section, please enter the student's name. In the next step, you will select your form of payment from the payment methods that are stored in your PayPal account. This will allow you to send payment directly from your checking account or by credit card.