



*North Andover Public Schools  
Music Department*

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Director of Bands**

Dear NAHS Scarlet Knight Band and Color Guard Members and Parents,

I hope you and your families are having a safe and enjoyable summer. It is with a heavy heart that I have to announce that NESBA has made a tough decision to cancel the 2020 fall season. Football is still recognized as a high-risk activity; it is undetermined if games will take place this fall. So, what does this mean for the Marching Band moving forward? At this time, there are many restrictions and regulations on singing and the playing of instruments. There are also regulations on how many people can be together at one time and the amount of space between each person both outdoors and indoors.

The safety of students, staff and families is our highest priority. Therefore, we will not be holding band camp in August. As to what capacity the marching band will function this fall is still under review, and this will be based on the guidelines put forth by state and local agencies. I will keep you updated as information becomes available. All updates will also be available on the North Andover Music Association website at <http://www.northandovermusic.org>

**Again, the health and safety of the NAHS Scarlet Knight Band and Color Guard is the number one priority. Be well!**

**Best regards,  
Justin (Mr. Smalley)**

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