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## Chester High School Bands

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Dear Parents and Students,

I hope you are all having a great summer. I'd like to give you an update as to what is going on so far. As you have probably heard, Mr. Morris has moved on to another school district. We all would like to wish him the best of luck in his new endeavor. I will be the new Director of Bands at Chester High School. We are still interviewing for the position of Chester Middle School Director of Bands, who will also assist me at the high school. Much work is being done behind the scenes so that we kick off the season with a bang. As I leave the middle school and take over as director of bands at the high school, I ask all of you to work hard and make this the best season yet. I am extremely excited to work with all of you and look forward to the year and what we can accomplish.

A complete calendar will be given out the first day of camp; however, you can find an updated calendar at [chs.cycloneregiment.org/calendar](http://chs.cycloneregiment.org/calendar). **An abbreviated schedule is on the back of this letter.** Keep checking our website as our show music will be available to download shortly, so you can practice and be ready BEFORE camp. The address, which will not be available to the general public, is **[www.cycloneregiment.org/2009music](http://www.cycloneregiment.org/2009music)**.

As a tribute to our mascot, the cyclone, the Chester High School Cyclone Regiment presents its 2009-2010 program, *F5*. The program will chronicle the life of a storm chaser. The show will open with Robert W. Smith's *Into the Storm*, which will set the scene and build excitement. We then foreshadow what is to come with Jay Bocook's *Into the Light*, which is the calm before the storm. We will close with an original piece called *F5*. The scale for measuring tornado intensity is called the F-scale, or Fujita scale. An F5 tornado is the most powerful, concentrated wind storm on earth. Enjoy this year's production of *F5*! You will receive hard copies of the music at camp, and music is also being posted on the website as it is finished. I encourage all of you to check out the website AND follow us on Twitter. We will be using both services to keep you informed and as a way to pass out paperwork and music.

Like I stated earlier, I am extremely excited about what's to come, and look forward to being your director. If you have any questions, the best ways to reach me is either via email, [cycloneregiment@gmail.com](mailto:cycloneregiment@gmail.com), or via cell phone/voice mail, (803) 427-4279. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions at all.

Musically Yours,

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