

IRONDALE MARCHING KNIGHTS

Weekly Update – May 13, 2026

PARENT VOLUTNEERS FOR SPONSORSHIP DAY: Our first group fundraiser, Sponsorship Day, is scheduled for Saturday May 30th. Parents, we are looking for volunteer drivers for this event! Click [HERE](#) to sign up to become a driver. You must be 18 years of age with a valid driver's license.

2026 KICK-OFF DAY POWERPOINT: If you were absent at Kick-Off Day on Saturday May 9th, please take a moment to review our [Kick-Off Day Presentation](#). There is a plethora of information in there including ARFs, Commitment Contracts, and more.

WHAT TO BRING & WEAR TO SPRING TRAINING: Students should bring their marching instrument / music, any other equipment they use at practice, and a water bottle. **Wear athletic clothes and [close-toed athletic shoes](#).** We recommend bringing sunglasses, bug spray, and sunscreen in case we go outside.

REGISTER YOUR STUDENT & SUBMIT HEALTH FORMS: Please make sure you submit your students' health form by no later than Saturday June 6th. [Health Form](#). If you are struggling with completing the online registration form, please reach out to me via email and I will do what I can to support you.

COMMITMENT CONTRACTS: Here is our 2026 [Commitment Contract](#). Commitment Contracts are due by Saturday June 6th. Students will submit their forms to the drum majors.

ABSENCE REQUEST FORM (ARF): We are now accepting ARF's for the 2026 season. [2026 ARF Form](#). ARF's are due on Saturday June 6th. *You do NOT need to include Spring Training conflicts*, as I understand many students are wrapping up other activities, concerts, sports etc. with these final weeks of school – instead, feel free to email me your student's May conflicts and I can make a note of them. **ALL ARF's must be approved by the staff for absences to be excused.** [Rehearsal & Performance Calendar](#).

UNIFORM MEASUREMENT NIGHT: *Uniform Measurement Night is scheduled for Thursday May 21st from 5:30 – 7:00pm at Irondale High School in the Band Room.* All students are required to be measured for their competitive uniform. We encourage you to arrive closer to the beginning of the time frame if you can. Measurements take around 5 minutes unless there is a line.

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS: [Financial Aid Applications](#) are due on Saturday June 6th. You will receive a response by no later than June 15th. Please email Dr. Longabaugh if you have any questions regarding financial aid. We can grant up to 50% of financial aid in a single season.

MEGA RAFFLE: As a reminder, this year all families are required to sell 20 Mega Raffles as part of our Fundraising Campaign. Mega Raffles will be available for students to pick up at the earliest convenience (we are shooting for June 6th). Please refer to the first PowerPoint link at the top of the update to read more about raffles.