

# TAG DAY 2009

*Tag Day is Saturday, September 12, 2009*  
*Rain date is Saturday, September 19, 2009*

Tag Day is THE major band fund raiser for the year. On Tag Day, all band and color guard members canvass as many homes as possible within the Lake Braddock school district, in an effort to raise tax-deductible donations for support of the band.

## **For Everyone...**

- 7:00 AM-Students arrive at the school to check out their uniforms (but bringing comfortable walking shoes instead of black marching shoes!)
- 8:00 AM-Students and parent/drivers receive a safety briefing by Fairfax County Police.
- 8:45 AM-Teams assemble with their parent/drivers and depart for their Sector Houses.
- 9:00 AM-Solicitation begins.
- 11:00 AM-Teams return to Sector Houses for a short break.
- 1:00 AM-Solicitation ends.
- 1:30 AM- Teams meet at the school for a pizza lunch.

## **For the Students...**

- During the first week of band camp, all students sign up in teams of four. Those who do not sign up will be assigned to a group.
- Each team is responsible for providing a parent/driver who can be available from approximately 8:00 AM until the pizza lunch at 1:30 AM.
- Each student is responsible for bringing a snack for 4-5 people (last names A-H bring fruit, I-Z baked goods) **on Tag Day morning**. Please divide the food into individual sized portions and, if possible, place in disposable containers. Snacks will be distributed amongst the Sector Houses (so what you bring may not end up at the Sector House you are assigned to).

**For the Parents...** Tag Day is truly a team effort, and it would not be possible without the help of numerous (& wonderful) parents. How can you help? Please consider volunteering for one of the positions listed below:

**Sector House Hosts** Sector House Hosts volunteer their homes as a “home base” for four or five teams and their drivers. Once the teams arrive, just before 9 AM, Sector House Hosts distribute maps and supplies (both provided) to the drivers, while the students prepare for the morning. When the teams return around 11 AM for a short, well-deserved break, Hosts provide water and serve the snacks brought in that morning by the students. At 1 PM teams return to drop off donations and turn-in supplies, then depart around 1:15PM for the pizza lunch at the school.

If necessary, Hosts act as a point of contact between the drivers and the Tag Day Coordinator. Hosts collect money from the drivers, double check the amounts, and record the sums. Each Sector House is assigned two Sector House Helpers to assist the Host.

We have divided the Lake Braddock School District into eight “sectors”. One Host is needed in each of these sectors. Please consider volunteering for this most important and very rewarding (and fun!) job.

**Sector House Helpers** Sector House Helpers, usually two per Sector House, assist the Sector House Host from about 8:30 AM until 1:30 PM.

**Lunch Helpers** Lunch helpers set up/clean up and serve a pizza lunch at the school for the students and Tag Day Volunteers.

**Drivers** Each team of four students is responsible for providing a parent/driver, so please considering saying “Yes” when your son or daughter asks if you can drive. The driver’s primary responsibilities are twofold: 1.) Ensuring the safety of the students and 2.) Transporting their assigned team between the school, their Sector House, and streets to be solicited.

At 8 AM on Tag Day morning, drivers receive a safety briefing by Fairfax County Police. They also receive instructions, directions to their Sector Houses and hear from the Tag Day Coordinator. After this meeting they meet their team, pick up the snacks brought by the students, and are on their way by 8:45.

At the Sector Houses, drivers receive a map and list of streets their team is to canvass. They also receive flyers and envelopes to distribute to the homes. While the students’ job is to collect donations, the drivers’ job is to focus on the safety of the students...keeping an eye on them at all times. Once during the morning, usually around 11 AM, teams return to the Sector House where donations are turned in and students have a brief break (now is when they eat the snacks they brought that morning!). All soliciting stops at 1 PM, when teams return to their Sector House, turn-in remaining donations and supplies, then depart for the school for the pizza lunch.

Want to volunteer? Please fill out and mail the volunteer form below, or email the appropriate information to the Tag Day Coordinator. Can’t decide on one of the above? How about filling in wherever there is a need? Questions? Contact Doug Terrell, Tag Day Coordinator 2009, at 703-455-3819, or email [terrellfamily5@verizon.net](mailto:terrellfamily5@verizon.net).

# TAG DAY VOLUNTEER FORM

Tag Day is Saturday, September 12, 2009 (Rain date is the following Saturday, September 19th). It takes over 100 adult volunteers to make Tag Day successful. **Can you help?** Please consider volunteering for one of the positions listed below. Simply print, fill out, and mail this form to the Tag Day Coordinator. Or, if you prefer, send the appropriate information by email. If you have any questions, or just need additional information, don't hesitate to contact Doug Terrell, this year's Tag Day Coordinator.

- Driver
- Sector House Host
- Sector House Helper
- Serve Lunch at School
- No preference; fit me in where needed!
- Please call me.

Name:	
Phone #:	
Email:	
Student's Name:	

Mail or email information to:

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