



NIMAS General Membership Meeting

August 19, 2026
7:30pm

I. Call to Order 7:31pm So Glad You're Here!!!

II. Approval of [June Minutes](#) Georgia P & Francine F

III. OFFICER'S REPORTS/INTRODUCTIONS

A. President -Laura Stratton

1. Volunteer! On Cut Time Take the time to read the cut time notifications! www.nmsim.org
2. Speaking of which- Clearances

B. Vice President Maggie Georges-nothing to report

C. Treasurer/Co Treasurer Jessica Kucsan/Ellie Kapsalis Redrobin-\$261.59 Whelihans? Ritas \$44.80

1. Summer Fundraisers
2. Mum Sale Info-Francine
Voucher Joe's fruit market Rt. 191 9/1-10/13
3. There are lots of fundraiser
 - a. They are not required, but they contribute to your child's account and can be used for trip and program cost such as \$75 registration fee
 - b. We will provide a general list of the fundraiser throughout the year. We will provide the fair share info typically at the time the sale begins. Info will be provided in the flyer or email about each sale.
 - c. Fundraising can be easy! Post on facebook, take your order form to work and things sell themselves!

D. Secretary Danielle Zmitrovich

IV. COLOR GUARD ADVISOR'S REPORT

Great rehearsals at Band camp! Please have your child practice at home for 5 mins a day, put on the music and practice marching to it. It's going to be a great year!

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Website www.nmsim.org, facebook, twitter, parent square, cuttime.

Will have the schedule, lesson and colorguard. Has a spot for volunteering. Clearances are needed, and must be sent to the office. Elementary schools do not always send them over, you will need to provide copies to the office.

Band-Monday/Thursday @ 7:15 Marching season, and concert season.
Orchestra-Tuesday/Friday @ 7:15
Jazz Band Wednesday @ 7:15

Winter concert jazz, orchestra and chorus
Spring Jazz and orchestra
April Band concert 4/28/27

Uniform night 9/9 5-8pm Uniform specifics for each ensemble are in the handbook on the website.

Under uniform wear a t-shirt or long sleeved shirt. No tank tops. Uniforms get hot while marching, your child should wear comfortable clothing underneath. The hem of pants can be adjusted with the snaps inside.

Band participants need a garment bag, once it is purchased it is your to keep, no need to replace every year unless necessary.

Colorguard will need to purchase gloves.

Blue ID shirt with NMS lion logo-all instrumental and chorus programs use the same shirt.

Purchases will be in cuttime in the store. There is a transaction fee, but you can opt out by clicking a box to not be charged the fee. A video with instructions to make purchases will be provided.

The trip is in November. We will provide as many opportunities to fundraise as we can.

Registration fee is used for instrument repair and cleaning, drycleaning, etc.

Any concerns about the fee please contact Mr. Zettlemoyer to arrange for payments.

Reg fee due 9/9 \$75

Fundraising is all year. If money is paid up front, any money credited from fundraising can be rolled over to the next year, or it can be returned to you. Fundraising can not be used to cover chaperone fees, or adult needs-such as the ID shirt.

Mr. Wydrinski (Choral Director) will also provide fundraising opportunities that the instrumental programs can also participate in.

Phantoms Opening night-optional event. Instrumental only.

Parades are listed on the NIMAS google calendar-they are expected performances. Attendance policy will be sent out, and can be found in the **handbook on the website**. Please read!

Big band bus trip to NYC @ lincoln center \$135- \$150 leave around 11 see the show, meal at Hard Rock Cafe. Free time in time square. 50 seats. Saturday before Christmas 12/19.

DO NOT DROP OFF IN BUS CHANNEL!

Waiting for formal approval during the 8/24 board meeting. America's Hometown Thanksgiving parade. 11/20-11/21.

Beach resort hotel falmouth, right on the cape. Rooms do not have balconies and do not open to the outside. It's great!

Cost is \$500 per student, will not change

Payment schedule

9/9 \$50

9/23 \$150

10/7 \$150

10/23 \$150

Registration form will be sent out to indicate commitment. Payment arrangements can be made with Mr. Zettlemoyer-all conversations are confidential, please communicate. There is an option for trip insurance. Can be purchased after the first payment, but before the balance is paid. Payment info will be sent tomorrow 8/20, Friday at the latest 8/21.

Parade will be streamed, each band will get a 2 min time slot in front of the cameras.

Lessons will begin at the end of the first 6 day cycle, 9/2. Each student will be assigned a group # and a day. The time slots change each week. Lessons are 30 mins. The lesson schedule is written on the whiteboard in the band room. 6th grade students are typically on the day they have early morning practices. 8th graders are typically on Mondays. List will be on the website.

Problems with cuttime should be emailed to Mr. Zettlemoyer

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ways to Get Involved

1. Chaperoning-SO MUCH FUN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
2. Events/Committees
 - a. Introduce existing chairs

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Update Clearances and File with Nitschmann Front Office
- B. Volunteer for Uniform Distribution 9/9
- C. Save-the-date for fall Bingo! Friday September 18th, 2026
 - a. Donations needed for Bingo Monetary prizes, food and drink donations.
 - b. Biggest fundraiser of the year
- D. Subscribe to the calendar

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events:

August 26 First day of early morning jazz band 7:15 A.M.

August 27 First day of early morning band 7:15 A.M.

August 28 First day of early morning orchestra 7:15 A.M.

SEPTEMBER

- Wednesday, September 9, 2026 Uniform Distribution Night 5 – 8 pm
- Wednesday, September 16, 2026 NIMAS General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm
- Friday, September 18, 2026 NIMAS Fall Bingo 6 – 9 pm

OCTOBER

- Wednesday, October 7, 2026 Mandatory Trip Meeting 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, October 14, 2026 NIMAS General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm
- Saturday, October 17, 2026 Nazareth Halloween Parade 1 pm
- Sunday, October 18, 2026 Saucon Valley Halloween Parade 2 pm
- Wednesday, October 21, 2026 Night Football Game 7 pm
- Sunday, October 25, 2026 Bethlehem Halloween Parade 12 pm

X. ADJOURNMENT 8:47 Bryan Zmitrovich, Rob Kucsan