

**W** West Aurora Department of Bands **W**

**Dear West Aurora Blackhawk Band Students, Parents, and Alumni,**

It is that time again to remind everyone of the West Aurora Blackhawk Band's participation in the Fourth of July Parade in Aurora at 8:00 a.m. It is extremely important we have a strong showing for this event as it is the most attended parade of the year by the people of Aurora. We are going to continue our new tradition of bringing back our alumni to march the parade with the current Blackhawk Band!

**Class of 2018:** We once again extend our congratulations on your graduation. We hope you will return to the ranks to make your last performance in the Blackhawk Band a great one! Further, it would be nice to see old friends from years gone by.

**Returning Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors:** This is another great opportunity for you to get yourself ready for the fall season and see friends from previous years in the BMB and meet West Aurora Band alumni!

**REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE:**

**Wednesday, July 4 8:00 a.m. – enter through door 16a**

**PERFORMANCE ATTIRE:**

**Red Blackhawk Band t-shirt and mid-thigh khaki shorts – gym shoes**

We will have a short rehearsal before the parade on Monday morning in addition to the Sunday afternoon rehearsal. In keeping with tradition, we will perform BOTH our *Patriotic Medley* and *Roll On, Blackhawks*. You can download these selections, along with *Ultimate Warm-Up* at [wabands.org](http://wabands.org). Parade step off is 10:00 a.m. and we should finish the parade and return to West High by 1:00 p.m. *Please have rides available upon return.* If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dr. Schueller at [rschueller@sd129.org](mailto:rschueller@sd129.org).

See you soon,

Dr. Rod Schueller – Director, Blackhawk Marching Band  
Mr. John Sierakowski – Associate Director, Blackhawk Marching Band  
Ms. Patty Sampson – Assistant Director, Blackhawk Marching Band