

NORMAN HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND CAMP 2011
(Marching Band, **grades 9-12**)

Marching Band Camp at NHS will be here soon! This is for all NHS Band members. Our first performance is the 7th day of school - the camp is very important! The band is made up of many sections, woodwinds, percussion, brass and color guard. Each group is just as important as the others in making great performances happen. Anyone interested in learning more about or joining the Color Guard should contact Mr. Meiller or Mr. Deardorf.

During the August camp, we will learn all the music and drill for the first pre-game and halftime shows, as well as reviewing basic marching fundamentals. Please remember to dress comfortably for the heat:

- wear comfortable tennis shoes (no boots or sandals)
- drink plenty of water (bring a water bottle) before, during, and after rehearsals
- sunscreen and caps are recommended, as we will be outside for long periods of time
- You may also want to bring sunglasses and insect repellent, depending on the bugs this summer!

Just like last year, we will break up the day into small rehearsal times – some inside music rehearsals in air-conditioning and some outside marching rehearsals. Parking will still be a mess this year, but there are now windows in the new building! – Come by and take a look.

All rehearsals are **REQUIRED**. Students missing band camp will not march with the band for the Norman North game. If you have a job, let your employer know **IN ADVANCE** when you will miss work. **WORK IS NEVER AN EXCUSE FOR MISSING REHEARSALS**. Please read the schedule below **VERY CAREFULLY**. It is very different from last year. Please check the web site for any changes – the calendar links now work. If you have conflicts, please let me know as far in advance as possible.

Uniform/Instrument check out: this will be done during band camp this year. School instruments should also be checked out and band camp fees/marching band payments are due at that time.

Rehearsals (Senior and Juniors will enroll during the mornings on their scheduled day. Sophomores and Juniors will enroll on their assigned afternoons. This should make it easier to enroll without having to conflict with rehearsals. Dinner will be provided during each full day rehearsal – Aug 9 – 12.)

Monday, Jul 25	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (COLOR GUARD)
(T) Tuesday, Jul 26	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (COLOR GUARD)
Wednesday, Jul 27	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (COLOR GUARD)
Thursday, Jul 28	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (COLOR GUARD)
Friday, Jul 29	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (COLOR GUARD)
Monday, Aug 1	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (PERCUSSION)
Tuesday, Aug 2	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (PERCUSSION)
Wednesday, Aug 3	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (PERCUSSION)
Thursday, Aug 4	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (PERCUSSION)
Friday, Aug. 5	8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Rehearsal (PERCUSSION)
Monday, Aug 8	8:00 am - 10:00 am	Rehearsal (FRESHMEN & LEADERSHIP)
	10:00 am - 12:00 n	Meeting (LEADERSHIP)
Tuesday, Aug 9	2:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Rehearsal (EVERYONE) – NHS (we will fit shoes and gloves this day only, please bring your payment)
Wednesday, Aug 19	2:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Rehearsal (EVERYONE) - NHS
Thursday, Aug 11	2:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Rehearsal (EVERYONE) - NHS
Friday, Aug 12	2:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Rehearsal (EVERYONE) - NHS
Monday, Aug 15	7:30 am - 11:30 am	Rehearsal (EVERYONE - pictures) - NHS
	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Rehearsal (EVERYONE) - NHS
Tuesday, Aug 16	7:30 am - 11:30 am	Rehearsal (EVERYONE) – NHS
	6:00 pm	Parents Meeting with Directors
	6:30 pm	Rehearsal (EVERYONE) - NHS
	7:15 pm	NHS Preview Performance (EVERYONE-bring your parents, brothers/sisters, etc., ice cream afterwards.)
Friday, Aug 19	10:00 pm – 7:00 am	Lock In

There will be no other rehearsals until school begins on Wednesday, Aug. 24. We won't march that day, but everyone should plan to play his or her instrument.

The following are items are needed for marching band. If you have your shoes and gloves from last year, they will be fine - note that everyone must have marching shoes. We will likely have a new shirt this year – more on that later. Please pay for these items when you check out your uniform or earlier that week.

Prices at this time are approximate.

Shoes & Gloves will be fitted on Monday, Aug 9 before dinner. These items will be purchased directly from our supplier rather than through the school. Please bring cash or a check made out to: **LSS** (Little's Special Services). All students will need marching shoes. All wind players will need gloves.

● **Marching Shoes (Band)** \$38.00

● **Marching Shoes (Color Guard)** \$34.00

Everyone will need marching shoes. They will be ordered Monday evening.

● **Gloves** \$4.00

Black gloves with "grippers"

School Instrument Upkeep \$100.00

(\$150.00 w/marching instrument) This is for students using school instruments. This includes Oboe, Bassoon, Tenor Sax, French Horn, Mellophone, Euphonium, Marching Baritone, Tuba, Sousaphone, Percussion
This check should be made out to: **Norman Public Schools**.

Other

● **Band Camp** \$60.00

All students, to help cover band camp expenses and some food during the semester, show shirt

● **Uniform Cleaning** \$15.00

You will check them out and back in for each performance. They will be cleaned during the fall.

● **Tuxedo Cleaning (guys only)** \$5.00

All of the tuxes have been cleaned. You take them home and are responsible to keep them in good shape for the year. We will get them cleaned again after the last concert in the spring.

● **Band Shirt** \$22.00, XXL \$24.00

Possibly different from last year – more later

● **Hang Up Bag (optional)** \$23.00

This is an opportunity to get a nice hang up bag for you. It will have the school name and band logo.

● **Lyre and Flip Folder**

All wind players need to have these items. They are available at local music stores. Please get these **BEFORE** band camp. Percussion section will use Black 3-Ring Binders with clear page protectors, no lyres

We anticipate two concert bands again this year. Auditions for the two concert bands will occur during October and will include scale work and some of the All State audition material. If placement is important to you, start working now! We have a terrific group of freshmen and I know they will really add a great deal of talent to the group!

Recordings of the marching band music are available on the website – just click on "**STUDENTS**" on the left hand side. Please check the web site regularly: www.nhsband.net

The show this year is titled **THE ESCAPE**. It has been arranged for us by a former Norman North student, featuring the music of Russian Composers. I know this will be a fun show to play and a little different approach. Anyway, enjoy the rest of summer, and get your "chops" in shape and get ready for a great school year! See you on July 11th.

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