

Mr. Nutt's Summer Blog:

I hope your summer is going great! Many of you that I have heard from or have seen on social media look to be making the best of the time off. Drum line and guard camps start up July 18th-22nd! I am really excited about this year's Show! Please find a little time between summer activities to practice. Varsity band you received the show music at the end of school and both bands have had the opportunity to pick up flip folder packets at the band hall.

Band camp is ONLY for Varsity band members and is July 25th-29th. As we approach band camp this year, I wanted to mention a few things that will ensure the success of the camp and keep the tradition alive for future members of Pirate Regiment.

Things to bring:

This is always a simple list to make because you don't need a lot for band camp. Dress is always comfortable and casual. You will need tennis shoes to march in and you must have closed toed shoes on after dinner. You will want to pack a swimsuit and bring a towel. The beds are bunk style. You can use single sheets with or without a sleeping bag and don't forget to bring a pillow. Basic toiletries are needed as well as bug spray and sunscreen.

Things not to bring:

There is no way to cover all the things you don't bring to camp but understand that this is a school trip and anything that is banned at school is also banned at camp. You are subject to search and dogs will be utilized so please do not bring anything that would keep you from going or send you home early from camp.

Required Paperwork:

- **Permission slip signed by your parents. (Both pages or front and back depends on how you print the form) Forms are on the band website**
- **UIL Physical on file for you with athletics. District policy is every student must do a physical every year. YOU CANNOT GO TO CAMP WITHOUT A PHYSICAL ON FILE.
Final payment is due at registration.**
- **You should have already paid the \$50 deposit (If not that is due immediately) you will owe \$325 before we leave for camp. These payments can be done online from the link on the band website.**

Behavior:

You are expected to uphold the standards of what it means to be on our band. If any of the following behaviors are witnessed there will be consequences that can include sending you home from camp and ending your band career.

Hazing- Any form of picking on someone for any reason is not acceptable.

Cussing- Your word selection will be positive and intelligent.

PPDA- There will be no public or private displays of affection. (Hence the extra "P")

Attendance- You are expected to be at every event at camp

Boundaries- The Boundaries of the camp will be well defined for you and you will be expected to stay in that area throughout the week.

Visitors:

There will be no outside visitors to the camp until the 8:00 am Friday morning when we open the camp for our competition and concert by the lake at 9:00. We will have two police officers on duty during the week and they will be instructed to stop any incoming vehicle so if your parents must bring you something at camp be sure to notify a director and we will arrange things with the officer on duty. Please spread the word to any former students that there will be no visits during the week of camp and anyone trying to come into the camp without authorization will be turned away.

Disciples Crossing

3693 State Hwy 31 E, Athens, TX 75752

Your parents can take you with them after the camp competition. We ask that they fill out this form well in advance so that we can plan how many buses we need for the return trip.

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Health:

Donna Nelson will be our camp nurse this year. She will be in charge of distributing all medications. You will check those in with us before we leave for camp. You will be given a water bottle at camp and the coolers will stay full in the center of the grounds by the cafeteria. Drink lots and lots of water and use sunscreen by day and bug screen by night. Meals are required so do not plan on skipping any of them. The camp food is really good with a nice variety of items. If you have special dietary needs now is the time to email Mr. Nutt so he can notify the camp.

Registration and Departure:

Registration Times: 10:00 Seniors / 11:00 Juniors / 12:00 Sophomores / 1:00 Freshmen
The goal is to depart CHS at 2:00

Friday's Camp Activities will start at 9:00 AM with the goal being everyone leaving the camp at 11:00

Having our own fundamental camp is a privilege that most bands do not receive. It would only take actions by a few to ruin this experience for years to come. Please consider this as we plan this year's camp and follow the rules. We utilize this time to build relationships and learn the fundamentals of marching band. Time spent in the weeks that follow are dedicated to teaching the marching show and drill so it is imperative that you take this week to work on fundamentals of marching in the mornings and playing in the afternoon. Free time and group activities are just as important because band is much more than music in Crandall. We hope that you will build relationships that will last a lifetime!

Rehearsals Until First Day of School

Drumline / Guard:

July 18th-22nd 8:00-4:00

Drum Majors:

July 18th & 19th 8:00 - 4:00

Leadership Training:

July 20th 9:00 - 11:00

Band Camp (Varsity Only)

July 25th-July 29th

Summer Band: (Varsity Only)

August 1st-5th

Full Band Rehearsal 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Sectionals 1:00 - 3:00

Summer Nights:

August 8th, 9th, & 11th Full Band 6:00-9:00

Morning Opener Full Run / Cookout:

August 15th 7:00AM- 11:00AM