# **VARSITY BAND CAMP INFORMATION**

*DATES:* August 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 2015

PLACE: DUNLAP HIGH SCHOOL

TIMES: 7:45AM-5:00PM

FEE: CHECKS PAYABLE TO DUNLAP HIGH SCHOOL

SEE INFORMATION SHEET FOR SPECIFIC COSTS

Please fill out BOTH sides of the information sheet and return with payment

Return payment to Lindsay Wineinger at DHS by MAY 28<sup>th</sup>! Band camp is mandatory. Any student not returning band camp information and fees by May 28<sup>th</sup> will be placed in cadet band. Please call Ms. Potts if you need help with financial arrangements.

### **STAFF**

Jill Potts, director
Jason Shea, director
Jeremy Clark, percussion
Jeremy Moser, percussion
Tina Holloway, color guard
Peggy Bonner, front ensemble
Justin Bainter, high brass

### THINGS TO BRING:

- \*1. Instrument in good working condition
- \*2. Music
- \*3. Multiple functional reeds (if applicable)
- \*4. Lanyard
- 5. Water jug
- 6. Sunscreen
- \*7. Pencils or pens
- 8. Hat and/or sunglasses
- \*Required items needed in order to participate in band camp

# **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- 1. Be on time. Drill box starts at 7:45AM on the stadium field. Tardiness will result in punishment.
- 2. Must march in shoes suitable for marching. NO SANDALS, UNTIED SHOES, OR BAREFEET WILL BE ALLOWED.
- 3. Show respect for all staff members and drum majors. Keep from socializing while we are working.
- 4. Stay out of the academic wings.
- 5. Keep your spiral bound notecards, lanyard, and a pencil with you on the field. This is for writing down your set points for each drill move. We will check them periodically.
- 6. Be on time to all assigned areas at specific times.
- 7. There will be a parent's show on Friday at 3:00pm.
- 8. Students who drive to camp will not be allowed to use vehicles between 8am and 5pm.
- 9. Notes are required for leaving camp early. We would prefer all Dr.'s appointments be made before or after camp. Pulling students out of rehearsals disrupts the flow and slows the teaching of the drill down. Students should also tell employers that they have a school activity (camp), and that they must stay the entire day of camp.
- 10. All clothing worn at camp must meet the regulations of the school dress code. For example, no tank tops or short shorts.

## **VARSITY BAND CAMP INFORMATION SHEET**

Please fill out both sheets and return with fees to Lindsay Wineinger at DHS by May 28th

NAME:	GRADE IN 15-16:	
PARENTS:		
ADDRESS:		
CITY/ZIP:	HOME PHONE:	
WORK PHONE:	CELL PHONE:	
PARENT'S EMAIL ADDRESS:		
CURRENT MEDICATIONS:		
KNOWN ALLERGIES:		
HEALTH PROBLEMS:		
FALL SPORT?:		
<u>Fees</u>		
Drumline, pit, guard		. \$ 160.00
<b>Drumline, pit, &amp; guard camp will be July 21-2</b> Brass and woodwinds		\$ 130.00
New lanyard (only if you've lost yours or are a ne *reminder: all students must have the reminder.		
New lanyards should be purchased sepa	U U U	_
Circle below if you are in need of a new summer SHIRT SIZE S M L XL XXL		
SHORT SIZE S M L XL XXL		\$10.00
Included in this year's cost will be the 3 x 5 spira underneath the band uniform.	l bound note cards and a black perform	mance type shirt

All students circle shirt size below for the black athletic shirt and theme shirt

S M L XL XXL

EACH MEMBER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR GETTING BLACK MTX MARCHING SHOES, LONG BLACK MARCHING GLOVES, AND LONG BLACK SOCKS. THESE ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT KIDDER MUSIC SERVICE.

#### "How is my grade determined in band?"

Dear Parents and Students of the Dunlap Bands:

Welcome to the 2015-2016 school year. We are glad that you are part of the rich tradition that is the Dunlap Marching Eagles and the Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble. Because we care about a quality experience for our students, we feel that it is important to communicate some rules and expectations for the band classes.

The whole concept of grading for the band is based on one simple thought, "If you show up and try, you will get an 'A'." The interpretation of this statement is straightforward; students will be graded on their punctuality, attendance, attitude, equipment management, and their progress as a musician. There will be some playing/marching tests and students will be expected to achieve at a high level. However, progress from beginning to end of the grading period is taken heavily into account. **Everyone who is putting forth effort will improve and will be duly rewarded.** 

On the other hand, if a student has an unexcused absence for a performance, he/she should expect a grade reduction of one or two letters **for the semester**, a make up assignment, and possible loss of performance privileges. Unexcused absence or tardiness involving rehearsal may result in a grade reduction and/or other make up consequences mentioned above. Similarly, a blatant lack of preparation for either playing or marching tests will result in a grade reduction. **The excuses for an absence include family emergency or illness.** (For those who are involved in Dunlap sports, we will work with the coaches to resolve conflicts.) Examples of invalid excuses include jobs, parties, family trips/celebrations, concerts, community/church events, etc. If you feel that there are extenuating emergency circumstances not covered above, please call and discuss them. We are always willing to listen (there may be a family wedding in which the student is involved.) But we must be notified weeks, if not months in advance in order to prepare and make adjustments for such an event. **There is no excuse for waiting until the last minute to provide notification of anything other than illness or family emergency.** Please check the band calendar and resolve conflicts right away. You may email us at anytime at jpotts@dunlapcusd.net or jshea@dunlapcusd.net.

These guidelines are not designed to frighten anyone; they are simply stated to prevent misunderstandings. Because we are a performance team, we all must depend on each other to be there and do our part to support that team. Learning to be there for each other is a good lesson, and there are consequences for those who, on rare occasion, do not demonstrate an understanding of that lesson.

Sometimes parents/students assume that because a student has attended most of the band events, he or she is entitled to missing something, a "get out of jail free card", if you will. Or, a parent or student will determine that a particular event is not as important as another, or a parent will say "it's not my child's fault, it's mine; I forgot", or the most unfortunate excuse of all; "Other people are missing events and pretending to be sick, so the guidelines don't apply." As ridiculous as these excuses sound, we are not making them up. Every year they are tried several times. I have included them here to avoid misunderstandings. Please do not make these assumptions, because they will result in a grade reduction for the student for the semester.

Finally, marching season is an exciting time for the students. There are plenty of practices, contests, football games, sectionals, etc. We do understand that this time commitment can be burdensome; however we also realize that there is a price to pay for excellence. We hope to instill the ideals that achievement is worth the investment of hard work and of some sacrifice, that there is an inner peace and strength generated by the journey toward a worthwhile goal, and finally, that one achieves satisfaction and joy through learning and helping to support others.

Again, welcome to the program and we wish you success in all of your school endeavors.

Jill Potts and Jason Shea Band Directors

Class requirements: In summary, grades will be based on the following:

Every student will earn an "A" for the semester by building up points for attending performances and rehearsals, for satisfactory testing, for demonstrating good habits of work, for being punctual, and for respecting others and the equipment. Insufficient credit in these areas will result in a "B", "C", "D", or "F" for the semester. UNEXCUSED ABSENCE FROM PERFORMANCE CANNOT BE MADE UP.

I have read the grading policy and understand how student grades are determined in band		
Parent	Student	