



Band Camp 2015

Troy Colt Marching Band members will attend Camp FaHoLo from Saturday, August 8th to Friday, August 14th. On Saturday morning, students will check into the THS band room promptly at 11am* (lunch will **not** be provided). The band will travel to Grass Lake, MI, by school bus. Students will be housed in a conference center. The layout of the camp is conducive to rehearsal and leisure activities.

Upon arrival at camp, students will attend a camp orientation meeting, move into rooms, eat dinner, and rehearse. Saturday through Friday the schedule will follow a standard format of reveille at 6am

and lights-out at 11pm. Nightly social activities are also planned.

Students will present a Sneak Preview of the marching season at the Troy High stadium upon returning from camp on Friday, August 14th. This performance begins at 6pm and is open to the public.

* **Note:** Section and Squad Leaders meet at THS at 11am (lunch will **not** be provided) on Friday, August 7th to leave for leadership training at Camp FaHoLo.

Troy Colt Marching Band

SUMMER BULLETIN

Fees The 2015 Band Camp Fee is \$410. This covers all camp activities including housing, meals, instruction, supervision and additional activities. All fees must be paid by July 10, 2015. Uniforms may not be picked up unless all fees are paid and all forms are completed.



Please make checks payable to Troy High Band Boosters. Mail payment to: Lee Gearig, 4197 Wentworth, Troy, MI, 48098.

Final Camp Payment

Student Name _____

Final Camp Payment Due - \$310

Please contact Lee Gearig @ 248.227-2504 if there are any questions regarding your balance.

PRE-CAMP ACTIVITIES

NEW MEMBER CLINICS

Mon–Wed, August 3-5, 1pm-4pm

All new members of the Troy Marching Band are considered “new members” until their first performance with the band. These clinics are designed to provide new members with basic comprehension of marching techniques and commands used by the band throughout the marching season. Attendance is mandatory.

PRE-CAMP MEETING

Wednesday, August 5, 8pm

An important, mandatory meeting will take place for all marching band members and their parents in the high school auditorium. The purpose of this gathering is to outline band camp procedures, review school policies, distribute rooming assignments and provide emergency contact information.

YEARBOOK PHOTO

Thursday, August 6, 6pm



The THS Yearbook photo will be taken on Thursday, August 6th at 6pm at the high school. The photographer also offers group and individual photos for purchase. Package details and order forms will be available at uniform distribution August 3rd and 4th. Students who do not attend uniform distribution will not be included in the photos.

BAND CAMP BUS SIGN-UP



Bus sign-up for band camp will take place at pre-camp sectionals. Each member may only sign-up him/herself.

DIRECTOR-LED SECTIONALS

Mon-Thurs, August 3-6



In addition to student-led sectionals that take place over the course of the summer, there are director-led sectionals prior to camp. They are scheduled as follows:

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| Mon 8/3: | 4-6pm—Colorguard 6-7pm—Flute 7-8pm—Clarinet 8-9pm—Alto Sax/Mellophone |
| Tues 8/4: | 4-6pm—Colorguard 5:45-8:15pm—Percussion 6-7pm—Bass Clarinet/Sousaphone 7-8pm—Trombone/Baritone/ Tenor Sax 8-9pm—Trumpet |
| Wed 8/5: | 4-6pm—Colorguard 5:45-8:15pm—Percussion 6-7pm—Flute/Clarinet 7-8pm—Alto Sax/Mellophone 8-9pm—Pre-Band Camp meeting |
| Thur 8/6: | 2-4pm—Colorguard 4-5pm—Bass Clarinet/Sousaphone/ Trombone/Baritone/ Tenor Sax 5-6pm—Trumpet |

All sectionals will be taught by Mr. Nutting.
ATTENDANCE WILL BE TAKEN!

WHAT TO PACK



CLOTHING

Shorts, Jeans, Sweats
 Summer Uniform—black athletic shorts, no-show socks and tennis shoes (for Sneak Preview Performance)
 Shirts (short and long sleeved)
 Comfortable marching shoes (2-3 pairs)
 Socks/Undergarments
 Sweatshirt/ Sweater
 Jacket/Coat/Rain Gear
 One “nicer” casual outfit
 Hat(s)
 Bathing Suit/Towel
 Shower Shoes

BEDDING

Pillow
 Sleeping Bag or Sheets/Blanket

TOILETRIES

Soap/Shampoo/Deodorant
 Toothbrush/Toothpaste
 Towel(s)/Washcloth(s)
 Bug Spray/ SUNSCREEN!

MUSIC SUPPLIES

Paper clips/Pencils/Highlighter
 Marching Instrument
 Flip Folder/Clipboard
 Extra Reeds/Valve Oil

OTHER

Flashlight
 Watch/Clock
 Sunglasses
 Umbrella
 Water Bottle
 Backpack
 (1) Plastic Hanger

Equipment Essentials

Each member is to bring all necessary equipment to camp. Woodwind players must stock four playable reeds at all times. Brass players must have valve/slide oil. Colorguard members are responsible for bringing all practice and performance equipment. Percussionists should pack appropriate sticks/mallets and drums/harnesses.

All members should bring a clipboard with a writing utensil and highlighter for drill charts. These should be personalized for easy identification.

All members are encouraged to bring a refillable water bottle for field practice as well as a backpack to help carry supplies from the conference center to the rehearsal area.



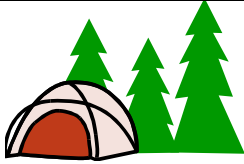
Music Memorization



All field show and parade music is to be memorized **PRIOR TO BAND CAMP**. Students do not take marching music on the field. Music must be memorized prior to learning drill and parade moves. *All members should memorize pre-game and parade music first.* Students will be tested and graded on memorization of all selections at the start of the school year.

| | Parade Music | Pre-Game Music | Half-Time Music |
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| | Fancy | THS Fanfare | The Planet Krypton |
| | La Suerte de los Tontos | THS Fight Song | Starships |
| | | Star-Spangled Banner | Starry Starry Night (Vincent) |
| | Homecoming Ballad | Alma Mater | Twinkle Time |
| | TBA | Love Runs Out | Counting Stars |
| | | | Shining Star |

CAMP SPECIFICS



GENERAL RULES

All policies stated in the Troy High School “Code of Conduct” are enforced at band camp and all band functions. As guests, we must also respect the rules of Camp FaHoLo. Any damages to the rooms or common areas will be billed to the individual responsible. The band director reserves the right to send home (*without refund of fees and via parent transport*) any student who fails to follow rules or accept supervision.

The following activities are expressly PROHIBITED at band camp:

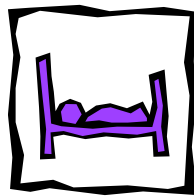
- Hazing of any sort
- Smoking, drugs, alcoholic beverages
- Leaving rooms after lights-out
- Leaving the camp grounds
- Accepting visitors to the camp
- Rude behavior to any camp employee, staff or chaperone

Additional rules include:

- Rooms and meeting areas will be kept clean.
- Members must attend all meals and evening activities.
- Females are allowed only in female rooms, males only in male rooms.

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Students are assigned to rooms by the parent camp coordinator. An equal number of seniors, juniors, sophomores and freshmen are placed in each room. These room assignments will be included in the final newsletter distributed at the meeting on August 5th at 8pm.



ACTIVITIES

Camp is a place for work, but students will also have time to relax and enjoy themselves. Every afternoon (Sunday-Thursday) band members will have an opportunity to choose from several activities, including swim (indoor/outdoor/lake), sand volleyball, basketball and, of course, rest. Nightly social events are also scheduled. Activities for this year will include skit night, movie night, a dance and more.



SPENDING MONEY

Students may bring a small amount of spending money to camp. The camp store sells pop and snacks during the week. Buses will not be stopping for food on the way to or from camp.



EMERGENCIES

If a student needs to be contacted while at camp, IN CASE OF EMERGENCY ONLY, the phone number to FaHoLo is 517-522-6800 (8am-5pm) or 517-937-9993 (after 5pm). The phone number for the TCMB Band Camp Coordinator is (248) 229-2361.

GUESTS

As always, friends, relatives and former band members are NOT to visit students at camp. The band travels away for intensive, private study and distractions must be kept to a minimum.

CAMP SPECIFICS-CONT'D.

CLOTHING AND ATTIRE

Students are expected to dress properly at all times. Certain types of clothing are not suitable for band rehearsals. Please plan accordingly for these expectations:

- ⇒ Students are not allowed barefoot or stocking-footed outside of their rooms.
- ⇒ Tennis shoes **and** socks must be worn to all field rehearsals.
- ⇒ Sandals are not acceptable footwear for marching.
- ⇒ “Extra-short” shorts are not allowed.
- ⇒ Clothing must be worn in a fashion which prevents exposure of undergarments.
- ⇒ Clothing which includes profanity or references to drugs or alcohol will not be permitted.
- ⇒ Clothing must not restrict the student from fulfilling marching activities.
- ⇒ Swimsuits must be one-piece (or equally modest) per FaHoLo rules.



MAIL DELIVERY

Students are able to receive mail/packages while at camp. Please allow 3-4 days for delivery:



(Student Name) - Troy High Band
Camp FaHoLo
3000 Mt. Hope Road
Grass Lake, MI 49240

Colts Sneak Preview



Parents, relatives and friends are invited to a pre-season performance of the award-winning Troy Colt Marching Band on Friday, August 14th at 6pm at Troy High School. This event is open to the public and should last approximately 30 minutes.

MEDICATION POLICY

All medications (including over-the-counter) will be collected at a check-in table before leaving for camp. State law requires all meds be stored in their original containers with dosage and frequency clearly marked. Please place meds in a Ziploc bag labeled with the student's name. Meds will be dispensed by the camp nurses as needed. Any special instructions should be submitted in writing.

Students with allergies should bring their medication/inhaler.



STUDENTS:

- ⇒ **PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE!**
- ⇒ **MEMORIZE MUSIC**
- ⇒ **PURCHASE ITEMS NEEDED FOR CAMP**

PARENTS:

- ⇒ **PAY CAMP FEES**
- ⇒ **TURN IN ALL FORMS**

IMPORTANT DATES:

- ⇒ **PICK UP UNIFORMS, AUGUST 3-4**
- ⇒ **NEW MEMBER CLINICS, AUGUST 3-5**
- ⇒ **PRE-CAMP SECTIONAL REHEARSALS, AUGUST 3-6**
- ⇒ **SIGN UP FOR BUSES, AUGUST 3-6**
- ⇒ **PRE-CAMP MEETING, AUGUST 5**
- ⇒ **BAND PHOTO SESSION, AUGUST 6**
- ⇒ **SNEAK PREVIEW, AUGUST 14**
- ⇒ **FIRST HOME GAME, THURSDAY, AUGUST 27**

UNIFORMS

Distribution

Members of the marching band will be issued a full marching uniform in August. All fees must be paid and forms turned in before any uniform will be issued.

Distribution Schedule

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| Monday 8/3 | 4-8pm | Returning members only |
| Tuesday 8/4 | 4-8pm | New members |

Immediately following uniform distribution, all full marching uniforms will be stored in the band room cabinets, where they will remain for the marching season. Uniforms adjustments will be handled by our professional tailor, and returned on August 6 in time for the photo session.

Following the August 6 photo session, students must return uniforms, which will remain at school year round, to their assigned cabinets.



Uniform questions may be directed to:
Vicki Schram at (248) 641-0977 or
thbb_UniformCommittee@troycoltbands.org

Uniform Descriptions

“Summer Marching Uniform”

The summer uniform will be used as directed by Mr. Nutting. All members are provided with a camp t-shirt, distributed at band camp, as part of the summer uniform. It is each member’s responsibility to complete the uniform by providing the remaining articles:

- ⇒ Black athletic shorts
- ⇒ No-show socks
- ⇒ Tennis shoes

“Full Marching Uniform”

The full uniform is the standard performance outfit of the Troy Marching Band. Most of it is furnished by the school district, but members need to provide:

- ⇒ WHITE gloves—must be purchased through the band
- ⇒ Solid BLACK crew-length socks
- ⇒ Compression shirt—must be purchased through the band
- ⇒ Black MTX marching shoes—must be purchased through the band

