## 8. Troy Colt Marching Band Summer Bulletin

## Band Camp 2023

Troy Colt Marching Band members will attend camp at Camp Faholo from Saturday, August 12 thru Friday, August 18. On Saturday morning, students will check into the THS band room promptly at 11am* (lunch will not be provided, students may pack a meal). 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 11 pm . 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 18th. This performance begins at 6 pm and is open to the public free of charge.

* Note: Section and Squad Leaders meet at THS at 11am on Friday, August 11th (lunch will not be provided, students may pack a meal) to leave for leadership training at Camp Faholo.


## Band Camp Fee

The 2023 Band Camp Fee is $\$ 480$. (minus the $\$ 180$ deposit paid following the marching band orientation meeting in May). This covers all camp activities including meals, instruction, supervision and more. All remaining fees including uniform, component \& operation fees must be paid by Friday, July 14, 2023. Uniforms may not be picked up unless all fees are paid and all forms are completed.

Two ways to pay:
Credit Card - Pay online using instructions posted on our website, www.troycoltbands.org, under the Charms tab. A 2.7\% PayPal processing fee applies.

Venmo- Free mobile payment app available to download in the App Store or GooglePlay. Send payment using our handle "\$TroyHighBands".


## Yearbook Photo

Thurs, Aug. 10, 5pm*

The THS Yearbook photo will be taken on Thursday, August 10 at 5 pm 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 7 \& 8. Students who do not attend uniform distribution will not be included in the photos.

Note: 'Group Photo' includes the entire TCMB. 'Individual photo' includes only your child. To order a photo of your child's section, select group photo and write in "section photo".
*Note: Trumpet players will move to the photo shoot immediately following their director-led sectional.

## New Member Clinics <br> Mon-Wed, August 7-9, 1pm-4pm

These clinics are designed to provide new members basic comprehension of marching techniques and commands used by the band throughout the marching season. Attendance is mandatory.

## Director-Led Sectionals

Mon-Thurs, August 7-10
In addition to student-led sectionals that take place over the course of the summer, Mr. Nutting \& Mr. Greenwood lead sectionals during pre-camp week.

They are scheduled as follows:

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text { Mon 8/7: } & \text { 4-6pm—Colorguard } \\
& 6-7 \mathrm{pm} \text {-Flute } \\
& 7-8 \mathrm{pm} \text {-Clarinet } \\
& 8-9 \mathrm{pm} \text {-Alto Sax/Mellophone }
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Tues 8/8: 4-6pm—Colorguard
5:30-8:15pm—Drumline
6-7pm-Sousaphone
7-8pm—Trombone/Baritone/Tenor Sax
8-9pm-Trumpet
Wed 8/9: 4-6pm—Colorguard
5:30-8pm—Drumline
6-7pm-Flute/Clarinet
7-8pm-Alto Sax/Mellophone
Thur 8/10: 2-4pm—Colorguard
4-5pm—Sousaphone/Trombone/Baritone/Tenor Sax
5-6pm-Trumpet
ATTENDANCE WILL BE TAKEN!

## Pre-camp Meeting, Wed, August 9, 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.

## Music Memorization

All halftime and parade music is to be memorized PRIOR TO BAND CAMP. Students do not use marching music on the field. Music must be memorized prior to learning drill and parade routines. All members should memorize pregame and parade music first. Students will be graded on memorization of all selections at the start of the school year.
Parade Tunes
Bang!
Mickey
Pregame Feature
Made You Look

Halftime Music Green Onions<br>Green-Eyed Lady<br>Green Tambourine<br>On Green Dolphin Street Evergreen

Homecoming Ballad<br>Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again

## Equipment Essentials

Each member must bring all necessary equipment to camp.

Woodwind players must stock four playable reeds at all times. Brass players must have valve/slide oil

All members must bring a refillable water
 bottle for field practice and may carry a backpack (optional) for supplies.

## Band Camp Bus Sign-up

Bus sign-up for band camp will take place at director-led sectionals.

Each member may only sign-up for themself.


## What to Wear/Bring

## Attire

- Shorts, Jeans, Sweats
- Summer Uniform—marching shorts (purchased through band), no-show socks and marching (MTX) 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 dress outfit (for dance)
- 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

- Marching Instrument
- Extra Reeds/Valve Oil


## Other Essentials

- Water Jug
- Sunscreen


## Optional

- Hat
- Backpack
- Sunglasses


## 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(s) reserve 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
- Exiting 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.


## Activities

Camp is a place for work, but students will also have time to relax and enjoy themselves. Every afternoon (Sunday-Thursday) band members have the opportunity to choose from several activities, including swimming (indoor/outdoor/lake), sand volleyball, basketball and, of course, rest. Nightly social events are also scheduled.

## 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

ONLY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:
Students may be contacted at
Faholo by dialing 517-522-6800
(8am-5pm) or 517-937-9993 (after 5pm).

The phone number for the TCMB Band Camp Coordinator, Garrett Jafano, is 248-880-8152.

## 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.

## 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

## Room Assignments

Students are assigned to rooms by the camp coordinator and approved by the director. 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 9th at 8pm.

## 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.

## TCMB Sneak Preview

Parents, relatives and friends are invited to a pre-season performance of the award-winning Troy Colt Marching Band on Friday, August 18th at 6 pm at the Troy High School Stadium. This free event is open to the public, and lasts under an hour.

## Clothing \& 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:
$\Rightarrow$ Tennis shoes and socks must be worn to all field rehearsals.
$\Rightarrow$ Sandals are not acceptable footwear for marching.
$\Rightarrow$ Clothing must be worn in a fashion preventing undergarment exposure.
$\Rightarrow$ Clothing which includes profanity or references to drugs or alcohol will not be permitted.
$\Rightarrow$ Clothing must not restrict the student from executing marching movements.


## Uniform Distribution

Members of the marching band will be issued a full marching uniform in August, during pre-camp week. All fees must be paid and forms turned in before any uniform will be issued.

## Distribution Schedule

Mon. 8/7 6pm Colorguard

## 7 pm Flute

8pm Clarinet
9pm Alto Sax/Mellophone
Tues. 8/8 7pm Sousaphone
8pm Trombone/Baritone/Tenor Sax
8:15pm Drumline
9pm Trumpet
Wed. 8/9 6-8pm Make up Fitting
Immediately following uniform distribution, all full marching uniforms will be stored in the uniform room cabinets, where they will remain for the marching season. Uniform adjustments will be handled by our professional tailor, with details to be announced.

Following the August 10th photo session, students must return uniforms to their assigned cabinets.

## Students:

$\Rightarrow$ Practice, Practice, Practice!
$\Rightarrow$ Memorize Music
$\Rightarrow$ Purchase Items Needed for Camp

## Parents:

$\Rightarrow$ Pay Remaining Fees
$\Rightarrow$ Turn in all Forms

## Important Dates:


$\Rightarrow$ New Member Clinics, August 7-9
$\Rightarrow$ Pre-camp Sectional Rehearsals, August 7-10
$\Rightarrow$ Pre-camp Meeting, August 9
$\Rightarrow$ Band Photo Session, August 10
$\Rightarrow$ TCMB Sneak Preview, August 18

## Uniform Descriptions

## "Summer Marching Uniform"

The summer uniform will be used as directed by Mr. Nutting. All members are provided 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:

- Regulation marching shorts*
- Regulation black MTX marching shoes*
- No-show socks


## "Full Marching Uniform"

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

- Solid BLACK crew-length or longer socks
- Regulation white gloves*
- Regulation compression shirt*
- Regulation marching shorts*
- Regulation black MTX marching shoes*
*must be purchased through the band


