

Greetings Marching Band Members!

4/25/23

With this contact we want to invite you to membership in The Spirit & THE Pride Mansfield University Marching Band, beginning with the Fall 2023 marching season pre-season camp. We have exciting plans for the upcoming season including returning to the Collegiate Marching Festival in Allentown, our usual performances at home football games, and of course, a few outings to play in exhibition for festival where we will promote and recruit for MU!

Please review and prepare all arrival and check-in instructions found in this document. Use this document to plan for joining us at marching band camp in August of 2023. With classes beginning on Monday August 20, our camp schedule will be held as follows:

**Student Staff Arrival: Tuesday, August 8:**

- Check-in to residence halls between 1-3:00 pm
- Initial Staff Meeting in Butler Music Center (BC) 136 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm
- 5:00 pm Dinner
- 6:15 pm -9:00 pm Training Block 1, BC 136

**Student Staff Training Wednesday August 9**

- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Training Block II, BC 136
- 12:00 noon Lunch
- 1:30 pm Equipment Preparation Block I (Marching Battery, Pit, Color Guard, Uniforms, Band Shirts, Field Prep)
- 4:30 pm Dinner Break
- 6:15 pm -9:00 pm Training Block III, BC 136

**Student Staff Training Thursday August 10**

- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Training Block IV, BC 136
- 12:00 noon Lunch

**Thursday August 10: Drumline, Pit, and Color Guard Members Check-in**

**1:00 – 3:00 pm Color Guard and Percussion/Drumline Check-in Residence Halls**

**3:30 pm 5:00 pm – Brief General Meeting and Equipment Assignments in Steadman Theatre**

**6:30 pm -9:00 pm Color Guard and Drumline/Pit rehearsals – meet in Steadman Theatre**

**\*Friday and Saturday Schedule Provided to Color Guard, Staff, Drumline and Pit Members upon Arrival to Camp. Expect 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Activities**

**BRASS AND WINDS WILL CHECK IN TO THEIR RESIDENCE HALLS ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 12  
Between 1:00 and 3:00 pm.**

- Dinner on your own with family 4-6:00 pm
- Report to Butler Music Center, Steadman Theater 6:00pm (Bring Instruments or be ready to check out instruments.)
- Marching Band Orientation
- Music Rehearsal

## Daily Schedule – Monday through Sunday 8/14-19/23

- 8:30 am Marching Techniques and Fundamentals – All Members
- 10:00 am – Music and Drill Rehearsal – All Members
- Noon – Lunch Break
- 1:15 pm Music Rehearsal
- 3:00 pm Music and Drill Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm Dinner Break (Manser Dining)
- 6:15 pm Evening Rehearsal (Mixture of Drill and Music)

During the week we will prepare for a Friday Convocation Performance. Also, anyone wishing to audition for orchestra and/or wind ensemble will schedule and complete their audition. Music for audition can be found on the music department web page under “student resources.” Locate your instrument from the list, download and print the audition music.

Please bring light colored clothing to camp to stay cool. Hat’s, bandanas, sun screen, comfortable walking shoes (no flip flops), pencils, instruments, water bottles, flip folders are necessary things to come prepared for camp.

**REMEMBER: ALL BAND MEMBERS NOT ON STAFF OR MEMBERS OF THE DRUMLINE OR COLORGUARD REPORT ON SATURDAY AUGUST 12 (see above)!** Further details will be provided when you arrive to camp. If you are new to the band, you must have Dinkles marching shoes (black). You may order from [allthingsband.com](http://allthingsband.com). [Click on the Dinkles Glides for Mansfield University and order from there.](#) Be sure of your shoe size and note they are specific to men’s and women’s sizing. All shoes will be shipped to MU prior to camp and NOT your home. Deadline to order Shoes is AUGUST 1, 2023.

All members of the band must be registered for marching band (MUEN331, section 03) either for 0 or 1 credit. Those with fewer than 18 credits should register for 1 credit. Those at 18, or more, credits can register for the 0-credit option. Be sure to register for the Mansfield Campus section of MUEN331 (section 03).

There is a \$50.00 member fee payable to MU Bands at the start of the band camp. This fee will cover your band shirt and some travel expenses.

Please complete the Google Sheet registration form created to secure your membership in the marching band by Dr. Brennan **no later than August 1**. (click the link or copy it you’re your web browser.)

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1OWSRQOL5I70vFhIWYwoD-01-jfJ9io-TdZsOy9pSS7c/edit?pli=1>

Provide your full name, student ID number, the instrument/section in which you wish to play in the band, your campus address, year in school and shirt size. Also indicate that you if you want to register for credit (1) or Audit (0). Auditing students are held to the same standards of membership as credited students. ([abrennan@mansfield.edu](mailto:abrennan@mansfield.edu))