

Miami University Marching Band

2009 Band Camp Information

Greetings and Welcome from Oxford!

I hope everyone has had a fantastic summer break and is ready for a great season. We have been working hard to prepare for you and I look forward to meeting everyone very soon. Enclosed are all the details surrounding band camp. Please review this document carefully; it is quite full of information.

There has been a lot of activity this summer while you've been away. The anticipated move from CPA is tentatively scheduled to take place in mid-September providing there are no problems in University planning. By that time a new storage facility and tower will be built on the field adjacent to Presser Hall. This facility will house all equipment needed on a daily basis including all percussion, marching brass, guard equipment and other supplies. The new band office will be in Presser 13 and my office will be in Presser 1. Getting the new field to the best condition is going to take more time than the current schedule will allow. We are working to address the most glaring problems and the plan is to begin a true effort in the spring to bring the field up to the standard we need.

If you have not yet registered for camp then please do so at this time by visiting www.muohio.edu/mumb and following the appropriate links. I also ask that you formally register for the class at this time as this will help us get to know your names and faces prior to camp. If this is a problem then we can settle it at band camp. The wheels of the University do not travel as fast as needed so my office phone is currently inactive. However, you may reach me either by email lytleesc@muohio.edu or by cell (513) 330-0089. Kent Covert may be reached at covertka@muohio.edu or by cell (513) 314-6783.

Enjoy your last bit of summer and we will see you soon!

BAND CAMP: Band camp will begin for all members on Sunday, August 16th. Leadership (drum majors, board, staff, section and squad leaders) and percussion will begin Saturday, August 15th. It is MANDATORY for all students planning to participate in the Miami University Marching Band to attend all rehearsals during band camp. Absences for freshmen orientation events will be excused but should be cleared with staff.

PURPOSE OF BAND CAMP: Band Camp rehearsals serve to prepare for the upcoming season, including Pre-Game and the first show. Camp also serves as an uninterrupted time where we get to know each other and we learn to function as a group.

REGISTRATION: All members must register online www.muohio.edu/mumb by August 8th. It is important to electronically register so that we may be able to chart you into drill. Details for on-site check in are listed below.

CAMPUS HOUSING: If you need band camp housing (pre-semester housing) in your dorm room, arrangements will be made as soon as you register for band camp at www.muohio.edu/mumb. If you have specific questions regarding housing you may contact them directly at 513-529-5000. There will be a room charge of \$30 per day that will be charged directly to your account. Keys may be picked up in 100 Shriver Center from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm beginning August 15th. Commuters and students living off-campus will make their own arrangements for housing. If necessary, we can assist with this.

AUDITIONS: Members of the trumpet and trombone sections will be required to audition for part assignments. Be prepared to perform from the following: select major scales up to four flats or four sharps; chromatic scale for your full, comfortable range; the chart, "Magic Flea." Audition location and times are listed on the Band Camp schedule.

MEDICAL INFORMATION FORMS: We ask that you complete the medical information forms online when you register for camp. This information is extremely important in the event that you may need urgent medical care while in the service of the Miami University Marching Band. All information is kept confidential.

MEALS: Dinners will be provided during camp. Breakfast and lunch will be on your own.

INSTRUMENTS: Students in the tenor saxophone (if needed), mellophone, baritone, tuba and percussion sections will be issued University-owned instruments. The following equipment must be provided by the student: oil, reeds. There is a \$35.00 fee on all University-owned instruments and percussion section members. The band will provide one pair of sticks/mallets for all percussionists.

LYRES AND FLIP FOLDERS: Lyres and flip-folders will be used during music rehearsals. While it was convenient to move stands from CPA to the field when needed, once the move occurs then that will no longer be practical. One lyre and one flip folder will be provided to you when you first join the MUMB. All returning members will receive one of each this season as well. Please note that the MUMB memorizes all music performed on the field.

MUSIC AND DRILL: All music and drill required of you will be made available on the website, www.muohio.edu/mumb. This is password protected because of copyright requirements. Detailed access instructions are available on the website. It is expected that you will download and print your music and drill and have it available when called for in rehearsal.

FEES: All members are assessed an \$85.00 course fee. This covers camp dinners Monday through Saturday, your official t-shirt, and your post-season DVD and CD. Additionally, there is a \$35.00 fee assessed to all percussionists and persons using a University-owned instrument. All fees are due when you check in the first day of camp. Checks are made payable to "Band Activity Fund."

MARCHING SHOES AND GLOVES: The official shoe of the Band is the Cesario MTX. All Marching Band shoes must be all white and free of any decorative stitching. No other color may be visible anywhere on the top or sides of the shoe. Shoes will be available for ordering at camp at a cost of \$30.00 All members are required to provide a pair of all white gloves. These will be available for purchase at camp. **GUARD, SHAKOS, AND TWIRLERS:** Your specific equipment needs will be handled through your leadership.

UNIFORMS: Uniforms will be issued during band camp music rehearsals. Uniforms will be issued clean. Students are responsible on keeping uniform clean and pressed throughout the season. Any damage or loss carries a financial burden. An itemized fee schedule along with a uniform contract will be provided at time of check-out.

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE: Schedules will be announced when available.

Mandatory Performances:

Friday, August 21	8:00 am	Convocation Hub Rally (select personnel)
Thursday, August 27	TBA	Bengals Pre-Season Game, Cincinnati
Saturday, September 5	12:00 pm	v. Kentucky (Paul Brown, Cincinnati)
Saturday, October 3	TBA	v. UC
Friday, October 23	TBA	Bicentennial Celebration Concert
Saturday, October 24	TBA	v. Northern Illinois (Homecoming)
Saturday, October 31	TBA	v. Toledo
Thursday, November 12	TBA	v. Bowling Green
Wednesday, November 18	TBA	v. Buffalo
	TBA	Concert
	TBA	Recording session

QUESTIONS: Questions may be sent via email to Mr. Lytle (lytleesc@muohio.edu) or Kent Covert(covertka@muohio.edu). Calls to the band office are also welcome (513-330-0089).

2009 Miami University Marching Band Band Camp Schedule

Saturday, August 15 (drum majors, board, instructional, student staff, section and squad leaders, percussion)

Time	Event	Location
morning	members move in to campus housing	
11:00 am	percussion auditions	TBA
	Leadership meeting	Presser 8
12:00 pm	lunch (provided)	
1:00 pm	Percussion Rehearsal 1	TBA
	Leadership sets up for Sunday's events	
4:00 pm	Percussion Rehearsal ends	
	Dinner Break (all)	
7:00 pm	Percussion Rehearsal 2	
	Leadership meeting	Presser 8
9:00 pm	Rehearsal and meeting ends	

Sunday, August 16 (full band check in)

Time	Event	Location
Morning	Members move in to campus housing	
12:00 pm	All staff	CPA 86
1:00 pm	Check-in begins	Presser 7
1:00 pm	Part auditions for trombone and trumpet	Prof. Speck and Olcott's offices
4:00 pm	Trumpet and Trombone auditions end	
4:30 pm	General meeting for ALL members	Presser 7
5:30 pm	Dinner (on your own)	
7:00 pm	Music Rehearsal	CPA field
9:00 pm	Rehearsal ends	

Monday, August 17

Time	Event	Location
9:00 am	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
12:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal ends	
	Lunch on your own	
1:30 pm	Special meetings/Sectionals	Around CPA
2:30 pm	Music Rehearsal	CPA field
5:00 pm	Dinner (KFC)	
7:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
9:00 pm	Special Activity	TBA

Tuesday, August 18

Time	Event	Location
9:00 am	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
12:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal ends	
	Lunch on your own	
1:30 pm	Special meetings/Sectionals	Around CPA
2:30 pm	Music Rehearsal	CPA field
5:00 pm	Dinner (Big-Little)	

	7:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	9:00 pm	Special Activity	TBA
Wednesday, August 19			
	Time	Event	Location
	9:00 am	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	12:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal ends Lunch on your own	
	1:30 pm	Special meetings/Sectionals	Around CPA
	2:30 pm	Music Rehearsal	CPA field
	5:00 pm	Dinner (Sections)	
	7:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	9:00 pm	Special Activity	TBA
Thursday, August 20			
	Time	Event	Location
	9:00 am	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	12:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal ends Lunch on your own	
	1:30 pm	Special meetings/Sectionals	Around CPA
	2:30 pm	Music Rehearsal	CPA field
	5:00 pm	Dinner (Pizza)	
	7:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	9:00 pm	Special Activity	TBA
Friday, August 21			
	Time	Event	Location
	9:00 am	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	12:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal ends Lunch on your own	
	1:30 pm	Special meetings/Sectionals	Around CPA
	2:30 pm	Music Rehearsal	CPA field
	5:00 pm	Dinner	
	7:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	9:00 pm	Special Activity	TBA
Saturday, August 22			
	Time	Event	Location
	9:00 am	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	12:00 pm	Marching Rehearsal ends Lunch on your own	
	1:30 pm	Special meetings/Sectionals	Around CPA
	2:30 pm	Music Rehearsal	CPA field
	5:00 pm	End of camp BBQ	TBA
Sunday, August 23			
	Time	Event	Location
	1:30 pm	Marching Rehearsal	CPA field
	4:30 pm	Marching Rehearsal ends	