

Titan Marching Band Cover Letter and Checklist

(PLEASE PRINT THIS OFF)

July 1, 2023

Dear band members and parents,

Thank you for visiting www.triwaymusic.com to get this band camp information. Please find a current a) calendar and b) chaperone/volunteer cover letter and form and print them off. Also, please go to Triway Local Schools site, locate Final Forms, and complete the appropriate online forms, especially medical, and drug policy.

1. Band camp rehearsals are mandatory, July 24 – Aug. 10. You should check your calendar carefully and take this commitment seriously. Excused absences include 1) personal illness, 2) death in the family, 3) a conflicting school activity in which the student is involved, 4) legitimate 4-H judgments, 5) a family vacation – your family. *Work is not excused.* Appointments should be planned ahead and scheduled around rehearsals/performances.
2. Mini-camp rehearsals are earlier in July, not mandatory, but *highly recommended.*
3. Band Camp attire should include: light weight shorts (avoid denim), a T-shirt with short sleeves (not sleeveless), and athletic-type shoes (with socks).
4. STUDENTS NEED TO EAT A GOOD LUNCH BEFORE COMING TO REHEARSALS. We take water breaks and a snack break.
5. Instruments are expected to be in top shape for Band Camp.

SPECIAL NOTE:

Our Band Camp schedule is set. Mr. Puster has communicated with the HS principal, Athletic Director, and available fall coaches about avoiding overlapping sports practice times with band rehearsals as much as possible. All agree that it is not good for kids and their families when conflicts such as these exist. Also, students coming from a morning sports practice should have 30 minutes to rest and eat before beginning band rehearsal. If a breakdown occurs in what has been established and schedule overlaps begin to happen, contact Mr. Puster immediately.

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This is going to be an exciting year! The marching season is shaping up to be a great one. Strong individual character and student leadership is a must. The sustained success of Triway Band is dependant upon students committing to fundamental musicianship. I feel privileged to be associated with winners like you. ENJOY YOUR SUMMER! ☺ jp

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PARENTS AND STUDENTS: USE THE CHECKLIST BELOW TO HELP YOURSELF PREPARE FOR CAMP.

Print off this letter and checklist, as well as the calendar and the Chaperone/Volunteer doc. Complete Final Forms. Band families should check email that is attached to ParentSquare for messaging from Mr. Puster.

CHECKLIST TO PREPARE FOR UNIFORM FITTING AND BAND CAMP!

FIRST AND FOREMOST!:

- [] Post a family calendar where it will be seen regularly and write-in all of the dates from the band calendar. The band calendar is on www.triwaymusic.com.
- [] You must be fitted for a uniform! 9:00am – 1:00pm in the HS music room; Juniors and Seniors, July 19th; Sophomores, July 20th; Freshmen, July 21st. Wear light weight shorts. Plan on approximately 45 minutes. Siblings can come together even if they are supposed to be different days.
- [] Make sure you have a lyre and flip folder so you can march and read music during rehearsals (not flute or perc.). Call a local music store for prices.
- [] Students and Parents should check email that is attached to ParentSquare. Messaging from Mr. Puster will likely be sent in this way as well as mailings.
- [] Complete all Final Forms.

FEES AND NEEDED ITEMS (cash or check):

- [] BRING FEES WITH YOU TO UNIFORM FITTING!
- [] \$30.00 Triway Music Boosters *Uniform fee
- [] \$15.00 Triway Band *Summer uniform *shirt*
- [] \$ 7.00 Triway Band *2 pairs of *gloves* (not for perc.)
- [] \$15.00 Triway Band *Summer uniform *shorts*
- [] \$40.00 Triway Band *marching *shoes* – see below

** Checks to Triway Band can be combined. Please separate checks to Triway Music Boosters. Please bring fees to uniform fitting if possible.

SUMMER UNIFORM (available through band office):

- [] Black short socks (on your own) and the black marching shoes described below.
- [] Shorts – These are black in color. Please purchase these through the band office so that we have a true uniform (same as last year's). Prices listed above.
- [] Shirt - You either already have this shirt or will be receiving it after you pay for it (uniform fitting/Band Camp). Prices listed above.

*** The summer uniform is worn at hot weather performances, *not at band camp*.

FULL MILITARY (REGULAR) UNIFORM:

- [] Black tall socks (on your own) and the complete summer uniform – Black socks need to be long enough to go over the calf. Wear the complete summer uniform under the military uniform. No exceptions.
- [] Black marching shoes – During uniform fitting, first year marchers and others who need new shoes will place an order. This is a specific style of marching shoe. The shoes will then be ordered through a catalog; cost will be \$40.00, payable to Triway Band (see above).
- [] Uniform fitting, July 19th – 21st, 9am – 1pm. BE THERE or call to explain.

MUSIC MEMORIZATION:

- [] The first seven songs to be checked for memorization will be 1) Triway, 2) Alma Mater, 3) Star Spangled Banner, 4) Hey!, 5) Buckeye Battle Cry, 6) Across the Field, and 7) Hang On Sloopy. Have these ready for the beginning of camp.

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