

The Tallmadge Blue Devil Marching Band



2022 Band Handbook



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Mission Statement

The mission of the Tallmadge Blue Devil Marching Band mission to provide meaningful and fun musical experiences for its members and audiences; to instill in its members the highest standards of work ethic, leadership, self-discipline, integrity, responsibility, and artistry; and to give all of its members the skillsets of kindness, support, joy, and friendship.

Season Calendar

July

- 1: Due date for all uniform orders and payment
- 19: Marching Band Student Leadership Training 1
- 21: Marching Band Student Leadership Training 2
- 22: Pre-Camp for New Members (grades 9 and 10) and Student Leaders @ THS 9 AM-1 PM
- 25-29: Pre-Camp for All Members @ THS 9 AM-1 PM

August

- Performance.** Tallmadge Meet the Team Night @ Tallmadge Stadium
- 1-5: Band Camp for All Members @ THS 9 AM-5 PM
- 4: **Performance.** Band Parent Night @ THS 7 PM
- 8: Field trip to Akron for Drum Corps International Show
- 9: Marching Band Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 11: Marching Band Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 13: **Parade.** Tallmadge Circle Fest. Times TBD
- 15: **Performance.** Teacher Orientation Meeting 7:30 AM @ THS
- 17: First Day of School
- 18: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 19: **AWAY GAMEDAY. Tallmadge @ Brecksville-Broadview Heights, Arrival time 5:00 PM**
- 25: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 26: **HOME GAMEDAY. Tallmadge vs. Ellet, Arrival time 5:30 PM**

September

- 1: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 2: **AWAY GAMEDAY. Tallmadge @ Green, Arrival time 5:00 PM**
- 8: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 9: **HOME GAMEDAY. Tallmadge vs. Highland, Arrival time 5:30 PM**
- 10: **FESTIVAL.** Lake Band Show @ Lake High School; Times TBA
- 15: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 16: **HOME GAMEDAY. Tallmadge vs. Revere, Arrival time 5:30 PM**
- 22: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM
- 23: **AWAY GAMEDAY. Tallmadge @ Aurora, Arrival time 5:00 PM**
- 24: **FESTIVAL.** Thunder over Aurora @ Aurora High School; Times TBA
- 29: **Homecoming Parade.** Call time 5:30 PM @ TMS, then Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 7-9 PM



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30: **HOMEcomings GAMEDAY. Tallmadge vs. Cuyahoga Falls, Arrival time 5:30 PM**

October

6: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM

7: **AWAY GAMEDAY. Tallmadge @ Kent Roosevelt, Arrival time 5:00 PM**

13: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM

14: **AWAY GAMEDAY. Tallmadge @ Copley, Arrival time 5:00 PM**

15: **FESTIVAL.** Barberton

20: Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM

21: **SENIOR NIGHT GAMEDAY. Tallmadge vs. Barberton, Arrival time 5:30 PM**

28: **(If we qualify for the playoffs)** Weekly Rehearsal @ THS 6-9 PM

29: **Potential Playoff Gameday. Times, Location, and Opponent TBD**

November

4: **Tallmadge Blue Devil Band Showcase:** End of Season Concert/Awards Night @ THS 7 PM

11: **Veteran's Day Parade** 9:30 AM

December

16: **Winter Holiday Concert:** Call Time 6:15 PM

Parent Volunteers

We will welcome any parent who is available to volunteer in various roles throughout the season. Some examples are:

- **Logistics:** Equipment loading and moving
- **Construction** of props and other equipment as needed
- **First Aid Support** at events
- **Supervision** on bus rides
- **Food Preparation**
- **Concession Stands work**
- and more!

The marching band is a large undertaking. We will welcome any help that you can provide!



Equipment

Students will be required to attend all events with all necessary equipment, unless directed otherwise. This will include:

Instrument

- If a student must use a school-owned instrument, it will be registered in their and their parent's or guardian's name. They will be responsible for maintenance and repairs during the duration of their use.

Appropriate Uniform

Binder (percussion/color guard) or Flip Folder (wind instruments)

- Students are expected to keep their music/routines/drill charts in a binder or flip folder with sheet protectors

Pencil (NOT A PEN)

Refillable Water Bottle

Small Hand Towel

Extra Reeds

Valve Oil/Slide Grease

Student Leadership

The Tallmadge Blue Devil Marching Band's success depends on its members, and you will have the chance to be directly involved in the decision-making process as a student leader. Below is a list of positions available to members of the TBDMB, as well as the eligibility requirements and responsibilities of each position.

In addition to those listed below, all student leaders must:

- Maintain academic standards
- Communicate effectively
- Take the responsibility of being a role model seriously, especially in the realms of:
 - Attitude
 - Behavior
 - Attendance
 - Performance

Student Leadership Positions

Title	Eligibility	Responsibilities
Section Leader	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 1 year of band experience • Application 	Student leader that focuses on their section's overall performance, including musical accuracy, memorization, execution of marching style, and



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of positions is determined by the size of sections 	<p>drill memorization.</p> <p>Expectations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teaching skills Maintain attendance records for the section Exemplary marching and musical ability Great field awareness and drill literacy Quick drill and music memorization
Percussion/Color Guard Captains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11th Grade and up At least 1 year of band student leadership experience 	<p>Student leader that serves as a representative for their section in the Executive Council.</p> <p>Expectations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve on the Leadership Council and Executive Council Advocate for the needs and concerns of their section
Band President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11th Grade and up At least 1 year of band student leadership experience Elected by the band members 	<p>Student leader that serves as a representative for all band members in the Executive Council.</p> <p>Expectations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve on the Leadership Council and Executive Council Write and submit monthly marching band updates for <i>The Devil's Tale</i> during the marching season Maintain rehearsal attendance records in a document shared with the directors Serve as the head of planning for Band Camp activities Set a strong example of positivity for other band members
Field Commander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11th Grade and up At least one year of band student leadership experience Application Interview 	<p>Student leader that works closely with the directors to ensure excellence in all aspects of the band's musical and visual performance.</p> <p>Expectations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve on the Leadership Council and Executive Council Conduct during public performances



Statement on Hazing

The Tallmadge High School Student/Parent Handbook defines hazing as:

“...performing any act or coercing another, including the victim, to perform any act of initiation into any class, team, or organization that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm. Permission, consent, or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing shall not lessen the prohibitions contained in this policy.”

As such, any activities deemed to go against this activity will not be tolerated. Students and Parents should read the full section on harassment and hazing, including definitions and consequences, in the Student Handbook, pages 27-31.

This policy covers activities in person and interactions through online activities such as social media as well.

Fees

Payment Procedures

All payments should be submitted electronically or by check.

Checks should be made out to “Tallmadge Band Boosters.”

It is necessary that you submit all payments in a sealed envelope clearly labeled with the student name, the purpose of the payment, and the amount enclosed.

For accounting purposes, please send separate checks for separate payments.

2022 Fees and Uniform Costs

Below is a list of required and optional fees and items to purchase. “Branded” indicates that the item is marked with the Tallmadge Music Department Logo. Items indicated as optional are not recommended, but will come in handy through the season.

Item	Description	Cost
Band Camp Fee	Pays for Staff and other Band Camp Materials	\$100
Band Polo	Branded Navy Blue	\$16
Band Shorts	Branded Graphite Gray	\$18
Drawstring Bag	Branded Navy Blue Bag	\$14
Gold T-Shirt	Branded	\$9



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Black Socks	Tall Black socks, to be provided by student	-
Wind/Perc Shoes	Black Dinkle Vanguard Marching Shoes	\$31
Color Guard Shoes		
Gloves (Winds only)	White gripped gloves.	\$4/Pair
Gloves (Guard Only)	Textured Gloves to aid in spinning/tossing	\$10/Pair
Wind/Perc Drycleaning	Covers cleaning throughout the season	\$50
Color Guard Drycleaning	Covers cleaning throughout the season	\$30
Bumper Sticker (Optional)	Circular "T" Band Logo	\$3
Beanie (Optional)	Navy Blue Knit Cap for cold weather	\$6

Please note:

- Winds and Percussion: if you still have Dinkles, a Band Polo or Band Shorts in good condition from last year, you do not need to purchase new ones.
- The Drawstring Bag and Bumper Sticker are optional.
- We recommend you order 4 pairs of gloves, and sizes will be determined upon delivery.
- Shoes will be sized by a representative of our shoe supplier on July 26.

The order for uniform parts can be found here: <https://forms.gle/3gbRbGHbeA24JRbj9>

The deadline for completing this form is Friday, July 1. This is so that we can order and have the items delivered by the time we need them.

Please provide a separate check for the \$100 Band Camp Fee and a separate check for your \$50 or \$30 Drycleaning Fee. Please write the purpose of each check in the Memo line.

All payment is due electronically or sent by mail on July 1. Please make checks payable to Tallmadge Band Boosters and send them to

Pay to Participate Fees

Tallmadge City Schools assesses a Pay to Participate Fee for activities like Marching Band. This payment of \$75 is due at the end of September and is payable to Tallmadge City Schools. Please direct questions regarding this fee to Mrs. Christopher in the High School Main Office after July 1.



Fundraising

All members of the Tallmadge Blue Devil Marching Band are expected to participate in multiple fundraisers, including Tag Day/Band Card Sales, car washes, pepperoni roll sales, sponsorship drives. Everyone must work together to drive the costs of travel down.

One of the biggest and most important fundraisers for the Band Boosters every year is the proceeds from the Concession Stands in Tallmadge Stadium and inside the THS Rotunda during basketball games. Every year, we need a large number of volunteers to work the concession stands. In the fall, there are several Varsity, Junior Varsity, and Youth Football games, as well as Boys and Girls Soccer. In the Winter, there are Boys and Girls Basketball and Volleyball games. In the Spring, there are Track Meets, Baseball, and Softball Games.

With this huge number of events, it is unsustainable for a few members of the Band Boosters to work every event. **This year every family is expected to send a volunteer parent for at least four concession stands events.**

Once more is known about the specifics of the individual seasons, we will send out a Sign Up Form.

Physical Exam

A Physical Exam is required for all members. This is to create an added layer of safety for all members, so that we can be sure that everyone is physically prepared to engage in our activity. Once completed, a Physical Exam is considered usable for 13 months. Our season ends in November, if you completed a Physical Exam before October 2021, it will need to be updated so that you are covered for the entirety of the marching season.

Tallmadge City Schools uses Final Forms to collect documentation for physical exams and emergency medical information.

Click here for instructions on how to create an account with Final Forms.

<https://filecabinet7.eschoolview.com/9C50A36C-CAF6-4B14-BEE9-C17C364D253A/413f87ec-8ed0-4112-ab84-f793a1fa780f.pdf>



Policies

Grading Policy

Marching Band is a class, and as such it is graded. Your grade will be based on the following criteria:

- Attendance
- Participation
- Preparedness for rehearsal
- Completion of work and practice expectations

Students will be responsible for weekly assignments that are completed through SmartMusic (wind instruments) or Google Classroom (Percussion and Color Guard).

SmartMusic Tutorials:

Creating an Account and Joining A Class

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x2KS9BjsBfE>

Completing an Assignment in SmartMusic

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xpjr5msXVEo>

SmartMusic Code: **WNY37-JNYU7**

Health

- During band events, any student who is feeling ill should notify a staff member immediately.
- Any student who sustains an injury or needs to sit out due to incidental issues (headache, muscle pain, etc.) for longer than 15 minutes will be sent home.

General Conduct

- All Tallmadge City School and Tallmadge High School rules and policies apply when we travel, but here are some important things to remember:
 - Any action that constitutes as Hazing or Harassment is prohibited and will be dealt with per the Student Handbook.
 - Damage to public-, school- or privately-owned property will not be tolerated and will be dealt with per the Student Handbook.



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- Use or possession of drugs, tobacco, electronic cigarettes/vapes is not acceptable at any time and will be dealt with per the Student Handbook.
- From the THS Student Handbook: *“Public displays of affection are personal and not meant for public display. This includes touching, petting, kissing, hugging, hand holding or any other contact that may be considered inappropriate for the learning environment.”*
- Students are expected to arrive for rehearsals at least 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. Agendas will be posted so students should prepare their station with whatever equipment, music or routine is scheduled for work.
- During rehearsal on the field or inside, there is to be no talking unless directed to do so. The cueing of commands is permitted but must be kept brief and to the point.
- Students are responsible for keeping the band room and surrounding areas neat and clean. Instruments and music must be put away at the end of rehearsal.
- No food or drink other than water is permitted in the band room or uniform room, unless it is provided for a special occasion.

Football Games, Festivals, and other Events

- At all times, be aware of the fact that to our community and those we visit, your conduct represents Tallmadge High School and the entire city of Tallmadge. You must be respectful to everyone you meet and all facilities we visit, including our own.
- The TBDMB is to be a class act at all times. When visiting bands perform and when we are attending other schools' events, TBDMB members will stand at parade rest and not talk during the performance, and should clap and cheer when appropriate.
- All members are expected to treat others with respect, consideration, and kindness. This includes fellow band members, other teachers, bus drivers, parent volunteers, visiting/opposing fans, and other bands.
- TBDMB Members are expected to leave all areas cleaner than they were found.
- Always listen for instructions or commands given by directors, chaperones, staff members, or student leaders. “Cue” any commands to the people around you to be sure we communicate quickly and efficiently.
- *ONLY* current band members, staff, aides, and parent chaperones, are to sit in the band section.



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- *WATCH THE GAME, PERFORMANCE, OR EVENT.* This is primarily for your safety, but we also must always be prepared to play stands music at key moments during time outs or other pauses in the action. After the pre-game performance, students must be ready to play their instrument during the 1st, 2nd and 4th quarters of all football games.
- Attendance will be taken before we leave anywhere, but always look out for each other and make sure we stay together as a group.
- When exiting the bus, we will follow a specific plan to ensure an orderly process. Large instrument sections will be dismissed first, then others will be dismissed at the directors' discretion.
- Students should remain with the band at all times. Never go anywhere alone. You will not be permitted to go anywhere without other band members. During designated times (such as 3rd Quarter), students are permitted to visit the concession stand and visit parents and friends.
- Students must ask for permission to use the restroom and should go with a group. **Try to wait till third quarter break for this.**
- Members of the band are responsible for their own equipment, and should follow the plan for loading and unloading buses.
- Third Quarter Break is a privilege we give to students so that they can enjoy some free time at the games. All students must be back in their assigned section with at least 2 minutes left on the game clock.
- **Do not leave money or other valuables on the bus.** Band members should use the uniform pocket for money and color guard should give money to an adult to hold till needed.
- No food, gum, candy, pop are allowed in the stands at football games.
- All students must undergo a uniform inspection completed by a director or field commander before boarding the bus.



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Uniform Code

There are three types of uniform that we will use throughout the season. You will be informed well in advance which type we will wear for each event. They are:

“Full Uniform”	“Summer Uniform”	“Informal Uniform”
Winds and Percussion: Dinkles Tall Black Socks Football or Comp Pants Uniform Jacket Gauntlets White Gloves Hat/Plume Color Guard: Uniform Shoes/Boots Gloves <i>Worn for:</i> Football Games Festivals Late Season Parades	Winds and Percussion: Tennis Shoes White/No Show socks Gray Shorts Band Polo <u>or</u> Gold T-Shirt Color Guard: Polo/Gold T-Shirt Black Leggings/Shorts (student provided) Tennis Shoes White/No Show Socks <i>Worn for:</i> Parent Night Summer Parades Other warm weather events <i>Winds/Percussion: Summer Uniform is to be worn under the Full Uniform</i>	Tennis Shoes Socks (your choice) Blue Jeans (no tears/holes) Band Polo <i>Worn for:</i> Pep Band Games Pep Assemblies

- The cost to replace one of our uniforms is over \$500. The following set of guidelines is to ensure the continued long life of these uniforms.
- Our uniforms are dry-clean only. If you do get something on your uniform, it is important that you do not try to get it out yourself - instead, let Mr. Kuhlman or Ms. Ross know immediately.
- Only eat approved food items while in uniform. To eat other foods, please either take off your uniform jacket or put on your raincoat.
- Whenever you remove your uniform, it is imperative that it be hung back on the hangers properly to avoid excess wrinkles. If your uniform is deemed to be too wrinkly, you will be asked to iron it.
- Uniforms should be worn all or nothing. Do not remove any part of the uniform unless instructed. Hats and gloves should be worn only when instructed.
- Your THS Band Polo and gray shorts must be worn underneath your uniform jacket. If the weather is cold and we are wearing layers, this should be your top layer.



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- While we are in uniform, students should not be wearing any jewelry or makeup.
- Hair should be up off of the ears and collar. If your hair is long, it should be held back in a bun or braids.
- Only naturally occurring hair colors are allowed. If your hair is dyed, you will be required to wear a shower cap while wearing the uniform hat.
- It bears repeating: when you wear the uniform, the public does not see you as Sally Sallerson. They see you as a Tallmadge High School Band Member. **Represent your school and city well.**

Time Commitment

The band staff has worked very hard to create as complete a schedule as possible for you to plan around now. It is expected that you make every effort to be at all events on the calendar, and you will be notified of added effects as soon as possible. Please refer to the calendar attached to this handbook for dates and times (when available) and plan accordingly.

Managing a complicated schedule is a necessary and valuable skill that students must develop. We encourage students to be involved, but ask that we are kept informed about conflicts as soon as they arise. Your attendance at - and full participation in - rehearsals is absolutely necessary for successful performances. That being said, rehearsals will start on time and attendance will be taken at rehearsals.

Once the school year begins, the rehearsal and performance schedule changes. This includes daily rehearsals, the weekly evening rehearsal (Thursday from 6-9), football games, parades, and festivals. Every effort is made on the staff's part to inform you of all required events well in advance.

Attached to this handbook is a calendar with all events planned for the season laid out in a clear and simple fashion. Please take the time NOW to mark your calendar or remove that section from this handbook and place it in a prominent place in your home.

Communication

Messages and reminders will be sent out in a variety of ways. Please take a moment to follow Mr. Kuhlman on Twitter at @THS Kuhlman. You can also Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/tallmadgebands. Our official band website is <https://www.tallmadgeschools.org/Band.aspx>

Students and at least one parent contact will be added to a class on Remind automatically. That will be an important method of quick communication, especially as we travel to away games and festivals.



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The primary form of communication will be through email. It is important that every member and parent regularly checks their email for updates.

Attendance Policy

PLEASE NOTE the expanded definition of excused absences in the instance of health concerns. It bears repeating: if you are feeling ill or if a household member is feeling ill, students should stay home as a precaution.

Band Students **are required** to attend all events scheduled, beginning the week of July 1st through the start of school in preparation for the marching season. Refer to the table below for details on different classifications of absences.

Classification	Description	Limits/Consequences
Excused Absence	Pre-Absence Notification Form and approval by Mr. Kuhlman or Ms. Ross	Up to 3 for the season. Further absences will be classified as unexcused and will fall under the policy for those classifications.
Unexcused Absence	Any unnotified absence will be initially listed as unexcused until a Post-Absence Notification form is completed and approved by Mr. Kuhlman or Ms. Ross	2 Unexcused Absences from a rehearsal will result in benching for the next performance. 1 unexcused absence from a performance will result in the deduction of 1 letter grade. Unexcused absences beyond these limits will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

Criteria for Excused Absences

1. Personal illness - Any student who feels ill themselves, or has a household member who is ill is expected to stay home and your absence will be excused.
2. Unavoidable family events such as weddings, funerals, etc. The 3-week notice expectation applies (if possible).
3. Direct conflicts with other school activities.
 - Direct conflicts do not include: practices, banquets, or attendance at optional events or activities.
 - In the event of two performances/events scheduled at the same time, the higher level event receives precedence.
 - Games supersedes rehearsals



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- Performances supersedes practices
- Tournament/playoff supersedes performances

4. Post-Secondary Class Conflicts that can not be resolved: three week notice applies.

5. Other items at the discretion of the director of the musical ensemble.

- Students may be asked to do additional projects or tests to make up for the absence.

Unexcused Absences

1. Failure to provide pre- or post- notification will result in an unexcused absence. See the section below on notification.

2. Excuses will not be granted for reasons of homework or employment

- Employers should be notified well in advance of your obligations to both family and school events. Provide your employer a copy of your calendar to assist them in scheduling.

Tardiness

2 unexcused tardies to rehearsals or performances will equal one unexcused absence. It is expected that students arrive on time for rehearsals to maximize our accomplishments.

Absence Notification

Students must fill out the **Absence Excuse Request Form**. To complete a digital version of this form, go to <https://forms.gle/osE2hkW4xnWe3AxY7> For known events, please complete this at least 3 weeks prior to the event. In the case of an illness or emergency, please complete it as soon as possible. If possible, a phone call to the band office should be made in the case of illness to 330-633-4561 or an email should be sent to kuhlman.joe@tallmadgeschools.org.

Consequences

Failure, whether intentional or unintentional, to adhere to or comply with the rules, expectations, and policies of Tallmadge City Schools, Tallmadge High School, and the TBDMB will result in consequences commensurate with the offense. As a guideline

From the Tallmadge High School Student Handbook:

This policy is in effect twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) day per week. This policy includes conduct on school premises, at school related activities, and off-school conduct or non-school related activities having a direct, indirect, or immediate effect on the discipline or general welfare of Tallmadge City Schools. A



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student's participation shall be limited or denied in any one or more elective activities for violations of any of the following rules during in-school or out of school time 365 days per year

As stated in the grading policy, behavior and participation is a portion of your grade in this class. Failure to meet the expected standard can and will result in lowered grades.

Consequences Steps in this hierarchy can be passed over as a result of extreme behavior

First offense

Warning that future actions of the same nature will result in punishment.

Second offense

Student will be written up for school-based discipline commensurate with the offense, including grade deductions, after school detentions, Friday detentions, In-School Restrictions, or Out-of-School Suspension. Parent notification is also included.

Third offense

Same as above, plus the student will be assessed a minor loss of privilege, such as benching for a performance or loss of third-quarter break. Parent notification is also included. A grade deduction may also be included.

Fourth (or higher) offense

Same as second offense, plus the student will be assessed a large loss of privilege up to and including, immediate removal from the event, loss of leadership roles or privileges, benching for the remainder of the season, or removal from the marching band altogether. Parent notification is also included. A grade deduction may also be included.

Justification of consequences

The hierarchy of consequences allows the students to make a mistake before being penalized. This hierarchy is constructed so the students and parents understand the rules, consequences, and rewards for the Tallmadge High School Band program.



Pre-Camp and Band Camp

New Member training, Pre-Camp, and Band Camp are some of the most important rehearsals of our season. At these sessions, we work intensively to learn fundamentals of playing and marching and start learning our pregame and halftime shows, but most importantly, this is where we come together as a team and a family. Here are some guidelines for preparing for them:

- Both Pre-Camp and Band Camp have significant portions of time outside in the (usually) hot summer sun. It is important to **dress appropriately** and to **wear sunscreen!**
- **Hydration** starts the night before. Drinking water at the moment you're hot is helpful, but the best way to prepare for a day outside is to drink lots of water the night before.
- We take ample breaks during each day, and there will be snacks available, though it is also in your best interest to bring a light snack as well.
- **Closed-toe shoes with a back are required for marching.** You may bring a pair of sandals to wear for indoor music rehearsals and activities.
- For comfort AND to prepare for unpredictable weather, it is in your best interest to bring a spare set of clothes and a towel.

Pre-Camp Schedule

9:00 AM: Meet @ THS Band Room for announcements and to discuss goals for the day
 9:10 AM: Marching Rehearsal Outside
 12:00 PM: Music rehearsal and Activities
 1:00 PM: Closing announcements and dismissal

Band Camp Schedule

9:00 AM: Meet @ THS Band Room for announcements and to discuss goals for the day
 9:10 AM: Marching Rehearsal Outside
 12:00 PM: Break for Lunch in THS Rotunda
 12:45 PM: Sectionals with Band Camp Staff
 2:00 PM: Activity Time
 3:00 PM: Marching Rehearsal Outside
 5:00 PM: Closing announcements and dismissal



Band Camp Themes/Activities

Pre-Camp and Band Camp is the time for the 2022 edition of the Tallmadge Blue Devil Marching Band to come together as a team and family.

This occurs by working hard together toward a shared goal of a great performance, but it also comes from letting our hair down and having fun!

The Student Leadership staff works hard to put together daily activities to help members feel comfortable and get to know each other.

Band Olympics

At the start of Pre-Camp, all band members will be divided into teams designed to mix sections and grades. Each team will work together to score points in a series of events we call the Band Olympics. At the end of Band Camp, the team with the most points wins a Dairy Queen Party! Here are the events for Band Olympics:

Monday 8/1 - "Send the Person Up."

Bring a bunch of random, school appropriate objects from home. The Band Camp Staff will call out descriptions or skills, such as "best dance move your team" or "something squishy." Winners of each prompt will get points for their team.

Tuesday 8/2 - Outdoor Games

We will play some outdoor games designed to get everyone moving! Think Sharks and Minnows or Clump! Winners of each game will get points for their team.

Wednesday 8/3 - Dress as your Favorite Song

Find a way to visually represent a favorite school-appropriate song with an outfit. For example, wear a flame print shirt and pants to represent Through the Fire and Flames. Get creative! At lunch, we will have the Band Camp Staff vote on the best costume and that person's team will get points.

Thursday 8/4 - Kickball

We will combine teams together in a great big game of kickball. The combined teams that win will all get points!

Friday 8/5 - Team Day

Collaborate with your team on an outfit or costume. The Band Camp Staff will vote on their favorite and that team will win points!



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Theme Days

In addition to Band Olympics, we also encourage band members to participate in a daily theme with their outfit. Just as a note, all of these should be school appropriate, and everyone should keep in mind the fact that we still need to get some music and marching done.

Here are this year's themes:

Monday 7/25	Tuesday 7/26	Wednesday 7/27	Thursday 7/28	Friday 7/29
Dress like the 80s! Big Hair. Stonewashed Jeans. Come dressed like it's 1985.	Crazy Hair/Hat Wear your wackiest headgear or hairstyle.	Hawaiian/Tiki Day Dress like you're on your way to a luau!	Clash Day Mismatched patterns. Crazy colors. Try your best to clash boldly today.	Dress as Mr. Kuhlman Day Take that as you will. Be nice.
Monday 8/1	Tuesday 8/2	Wednesday 8/3	Thursday 8/4	Friday 8/5
Medical Professionals Day Dress as a doctor, nurse, or other medical professional!	Medieval Day Dress like you live in the medieval era!	Dress as your Favorite Song! See Band Olympics Event above.	Class Colors Day 9th Grade - White 10th Grade - Gold 11th Grade - Blue 12th Grade - Tie Dye	Team Day See Band Olympics Event above.



Handbook Statement of Understanding

By completing the form below, both student and parent are acknowledging understanding of this hand book. Please take a moment to review the following:

1. Tallmadge Blue Devil Marching Band Policies, including:
 - a. Fees/Finances
 - b. Attendance/Time Commitment
 - c. General Conduct
 - d. Consequences
2. The established TBDMB Calendar and all required events.
3. Due dates for the Summer Uniform and SWAG is Friday, July 23
4. Due dates for the following fee payments - *(Separate checks for Band Camp Fee and Other items, please)*
 - a. Drycleaning/\$35/August 2
 - b. Uniform Pieces/Varied/August 2
 - c. Band Camp Fee/\$100/August 2
 - d. Pay to Participate/\$75/End of September (paid to District, not the Band Boosters)
5. Uniform Code
 - a. Replacement cost of each uniform is \$500

To indicate your understanding of this document, follow this link and complete the form.

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