

Hello Tiger Band Family:

July is upon us, so it is time to be thinking about marching season and the year to come. Please review this letter carefully, as not only does it contain checklists and important information that both band parents and students will need for a successful start to the year, but it also includes critical details regarding the online pre-registration Process. The forms to be found online will be:

- Tiger Band Summer Schedule 2023 and Weekly Practice Schedule
- Band Calendar for 2023-24
- Conflict Sheet 2023
- Registration Information
- Registration Worksheet (Fee Estimation) for either Winds & Percussion or Color Guard
- Summer Band Rehearsal Information and Pass-off Dates for Music
- Physical Form (2-sided, and requires a doctor's signature, so please plan ahead!)
- DSISD Band Permission/Medical Information Slip + Band Senior Night Permission Form (seniors only)

The required online PRE-REGISTRATION (open July 14th) process must be completed by JULY 20th. Go to the band booster website, <https://www.dsbands.org> click on "My Account", and "Dripping Springs High School" to access pre-registration. **Please complete this process no later than July 20th,** even if you have to attend the Alternate Registration Date. There is information required for preparation for the summer band rehearsals that is needed from you.

Please note these very important events this summer, which are mandatory for all band and color guard students:

- **Percussion Camp** will be held from **July 17th – July 21st**
- **Colorguard Camp** will be held from **July 17th – July 21st**
- **Leadership Team Workday** will be held **July 24th**
- **Summer rehearsals** will be held from **July 26th – August 19th**

Early form collection this year: Completed Physical Form, Band Permission/Medical Information Slip, and copy of insurance card will be turned in on **Monday, July 17th for Percussion and Colorguard.** These students will still attend the Registration Day at their assigned times on July 24th or 25th to complete the Registration process.

Band registration will be on **July 24th and 25th, 2023** at the DSHS Cafeteria for all members. All students, and at least one parent/guardian for each student, must be present at this registration - this includes seniors!

July 24

Seniors 6:00pm

Freshmen/new students 6:30pm

July 25

Sophomores and Juniors 6:00pm

Sophomores and Juniors **MUST** turn in the Completed Physical Form, Band Permission/Medical Slip, and copy of insurance card on the morning of Tuesday, July 25th. Students will not be allowed to rehearse until these forms are turned in per DSISD Policy.

Please review the summer schedule and band schedule for 2023-2024 and make arrangements to be at all required events. All scheduled rehearsals, games, contests and performances are mandatory. Doctor appointments, etc. should be scheduled around these dates and times.

The **Conflict Form** MUST be filled out. Directors will review the conflicts and use this information to help determine who is placed in competition performance spots. **Please take the time to carefully check your calendar against the band calendar so no conflicts arise during the season. Please note that filling out this form does not automatically excuse the possible absence. This form is to start the communication dialogue to resolve the conflict.**

Standardized Testing: There are conflicts with 2023-24 SAT and ACT tests and some scheduled band events.

- **An SAT test is scheduled on December 2nd/Region Band Audition Phase 2.**
- **An ACT test is scheduled on October 28th/BOA Waco Regional**
- **PSAT test date is Wednesday, Oct. 5th. There is no morning rehearsal scheduled that day, please sign up for this day if you're planning on taking this test.**

SAT/ACT conflicts must be listed on the conflict form due at registration and are considered when assigning competition performance spots.

ALL VOLUNTEERS

Per DSISD policy, any adult wishing to volunteer in any capacity is required to register online and create an account through the ezVolunteer portal accessible via this link:

<https://www.dsisdtx.us/domain/1114>

Follow the instructions to create your account. This process is required every year, so if you did this last year, you must do it again.

COMMUNICATION

The Tiger Band Boosters email out director announcements and information about events on a regular basis. Weekly Announcements and News are also posted on the booster website (www.dsbandboosters.org) and the boosters have a very active Facebook page ([High School Tiger Band Parents 2023-2024](#)) as well. Information about joining the boosters is part of online Pre-registration. The band program also has a website that will assist you throughout the year with information. Please visit the website, www.dsbands.org to keep up with the latest news and information about the band. All Tiger Band dates and times are available on the DSHS Band Google Calendar. Go to www.dsbands.org/calendar to view and subscribe. If you have any questions about the boosters, please e-mail: **Caryn Pacelli, Band Booster President, at president@dsbandboosters.org**

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