



# Houston County High School

## *Black and Silver Brigade*

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Hello Black and Silver Brigade!

Band camp is just a few days away and we are very excited about the upcoming marching season! Both shows are coming together nicely! Having said that, here are some reminders about our upcoming

### **PUNCTUALITY:**

- Everyone needs to report to the **band room** no later than 7:45 AM on scheduled rehearsal days so that we can start right at 8:00. Remember-early is on time, on time is late, and late is inexcusable!

### **ATTIRE:**

- Wear light colored, loose-fitting clothes. Have you noticed the heat? Yep, July will do that to you. A hat and sunscreen are also required. Please note: no one that is inappropriately dressed will be allowed to practice until they have changed into appropriate attire.

### **FOOTWEAR:**

- Make sure you wear tennis shoes (no Chuck's or Van's) and socks. **NO SANDALS, FLIP FLOPS, OR CHACOS.** No student will be allowed to practice with improper footwear. You cannot properly execute the marching step without the right shoes!

### **HYDRATION:**

- Drink lots of water! Keeping hydrated is the best way to beat the heat. Start drinking water **NOW**. Do not wait for band camp to start—it will be too late! Each student will need a large water bottle at all times during band camp. A 20oz bottle will not be enough. Here is an example of an adequately sized water bottle. These usually cost around \$5.00 and hold a ½ gallon of water:



**I would also suggest purchasing a Camel Bak or some other backpack style water container for use on the field!**

### **NUTRITION:**

- Do not eat or drink milk (this means cereal, too) for breakfast! The heat will cause the milk to sour in your stomach and no one wants to see that! However, make sure you eat a hearty breakfast (toast, eggs, and grits) so that you have enough energy for the work that needs to be done. Also, avoid energy drinks and soda if possible.

### **SUPPLIES:**

- If you need anything for your instrument (reeds, mouthpiece, valve oil), please handle this before band camp starts. **Each student will also need a 1/2" binder with sheet protectors for their music.** PLEASE do not attend without everything that you need for a successful camp!

### **SHORTS:**

- Each student will need a pair of black shorts for football games during the early part of the season. These will be worn with our drifit shirts to give us a warm weather option that will help ensure student safety. These will need to be within school dress code.

**FINANCIALS:**

- Please make sure that you are current on your marching band fees. If you have any questions about your band account, please email our band booster treasurers. Their email addresses are: [hocobandtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:hocobandtreasurer@gmail.com) and [hocobandcotreasurer@hocoband.com](mailto:hocobandcotreasurer@hocoband.com). Please remember that no student will be fitted for their uniform until fees are up to date!

**CALENDAR:**

- This is the calendar for July. Percussion and guard rehearse July 12-16 from 8:00-5:00. **New marchers rehearse on July 12-16 from 8:00-12:00.** The full competition band rehearses July 19-22, 26-27 and the football band begins rehearsals on the 28th. *Please remember that to be an active member of the BASB, you must attend all band camp rehearsals.*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6  3:00 PM - 8:00 PM Percussion Workday (Juniors and Seniors ONLY)	7	8 	9 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM Leadership Training	10 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Leadership Training
12 Percussion and Guard Camp, 8-5 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM New Member Camp	13 Percussion and Guard Camp, 8-5 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM New Member Camp	14 Percussion and Guard Camp, 8-5 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM New Member Camp	15  Percussion and Guard Camp, 8-5 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM New Member Camp 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Marching Band Parent Meeting	16 Percussion and Guard Camp, 8-5 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM New Member Camp	17 
19 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM Competition Band Camp	20 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM Competition Band Camp	21 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Competition Band Camp	22  8:00 AM - 8:00 PM Competition Band Camp	23	24
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We are glad to have each of you as a member of this outstanding organization! Looking forward to a great year!

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