



University Bands

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

COLORGUARD, DRUM MAJOR, LEADERSHIP SUNDAY, JUNE 16 - THURSDAY, JUNE 20

2024 Summer Marching Band Camp Frequently Asked Questions

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

Should you have any questions that cannot be answered by this packet, please contact Sara Harris at (817) 272-3471.

Thank you for requesting information about the University of Texas at Arlington Summer Marching Band Camps. We hope that you will find our camp a rewarding musical experience as well as a wonderful place to make new friends.

The UTA Summer Music Camps strive to provide each student an opportunity to work with and learn from the highest quality instructional staff from around the nation. It is our desire that each student return to their own group having grown musically and personally while at the same time enjoying all the fun and excitement of summer camp life.

Students may elect to stay on campus or commute.

Leadership Camp is designed to teach students to be effective squad leaders, drill instructors, section leaders, or band and colorguard officers.

Drum Major Camp studies include conducting, marching, teaching fundamentals, drill and music, problem solving and leadership.

Colorguard Camp provides instruction in flag, rifle, or sabre as well as training in dance and movement at all skill levels.

CAMP COSTS

Commuter: \$300

Boarder: \$490

REFUNDS

If a student is unable to attend camp, refunds will be made on the following schedule. Prior to June 1: Full refund minus \$100 application and processing fee; After June 1: No refunds

MEALS

Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner are provided as part of the Boarder Registration. Commuters may elect to purchase a lunch package at registration for \$40. Commuters should eat breakfast prior to arriving. Commuters electing to stay for the evening activities may choose to pay cash in the cafeteria for dinner.

INSTRUMENTS and EQUIPMENT

Students in the **leadership camp** should bring a writing utensil and notebook or binder for leadership sessions, their instrument and all necessary supplies (reeds, valve oil, etc.) and a water jug, sunscreen, etc. for the outdoor sessions.

Students in the **colorguard camp** must bring their own equipment (everyone should bring a flag). Those wishing to work on weapons should bring their colorguard rifle and/or sabre. Leadership track campers should also bring a notebook, and a writing utensil.

Each **drum major** team must bring their own portable speaker for practicing. Cell phones are typically not loud enough to hear with everyone rehearsing simultaneously. Drum Majors should also bring a notebook or binder for leadership sessions, and a water jug, sunscreen, etc. for the outdoor sessions.

Parking

Students who are leaving a vehicle on campus during the day must register their vehicle and pay for parking. Parking permits are not needed for pick-up/drop-off or the final concert. There is no physical permit. UTA uses license plate recognition for parking enforcement. The music department cannot help waive tickets for those who do not properly register their vehicle or park in places other than the designated lots. See the check-in document for parking permit information.

As a reminder, boarding students are not allowed to move their vehicle after check-in until the conclusion of camp. Commuting students cannot move their vehicle once they arrive on campus each day until the conclusion of the camp day. Students are not allowed to leave campus for lunch. Vehicle registration info is included on the Check-In document.

SUPERVISION and STUDENT BEHAVIOR

In addition to the superb teaching faculty, UTA Band Camp counselors will help guide and supervise campers in all camp activities. Counselors are experienced college students, supervised by an adult staff made up of band directors and professional dormitory supervisors. Boarder students will be housed this year in Arlington Hall.

A detailed list of camp rules will be distributed at camp check-in.

It is our goal to provide a fun and enjoyable camp experience in an educational setting. Students are expected to exhibit acceptable behavior at all times in the dorm, rehearsals, and classes. Any student whose behavior becomes a distraction or is detrimental to the camp experience of others will receive one warning concerning their unacceptable behavior. A second offense may result in expulsion from camp. No refunds of any fees or deposit will be made to any student who is sent home for disciplinary reasons.

Students should dress appropriately. Inappropriate clothing or clothing with offensive slogans will not be tolerated.

Students and their parents will be held financially responsible for any damage to any University or personal property that occurs intentionally or through negligence on the part of the student.

WHAT SHOULD I BRING TO CAMP?

Boarders

- Towels and washcloths
- Bed linens for and extra long twin-size bed
- Pillow
- Toiletries

Commuters

- Brown bag lunch if a lunch package was not purchased.

Rehearsal and Class Needs

- **Leadership Camp:** Notebook or binder, writing utensil and notebook or binder for leadership sessions, their instrument and all necessary supplies (reeds, valve oil, etc.) and a water jug, sunscreen, etc. for the outdoor sessions.
- **Drum Major Camp:** portable stereo (one per team), CD/.mp3 of music for your show (if available), any batteries, chargers, etc. you may need for the system, Notebook or binder, and a writing utensil.
- **Colorguard Camp:** your flag, rifle and/or sabre, Students on Leadership Track - Notebook or binder and a writing utensil.

Other items: Appropriate daytime outdoor clothing (shorts, tennis shoes, T-shirts, etc.), sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, and insulated water jug. Students **must** have an insulated water jug in order to participate in outside activities. This is a safety issue and students must come to camp prepared for the Texas heat!

Whether your child will be staying on campus or commuting to the camp, you are encouraged to make sure that their musical instrument is protected with the proper insurance. As with any activity involving

large numbers of students, there is always the possibility of your child's instrument becoming damaged.

All personal property, including instruments, purses, and money are the responsibility of the owners at all times. The university and summer camps take no responsibility for lost or misplaced belongings. Items of value should not be left unattended in any university room or building. Names should be clearly marked on all property.

WHAT SHOULD I NOT BRING TO CAMP?

- Large sums of money
- Expensive, unnecessary personal items (i.e. jewelry, gaming systems, etc.)
- Unteachable attitude

ARRIVING BY PLANE

Students traveling to the Dallas Fort Worth area by plane may either fly into DFW International Airport (25 minutes from UTA) or Love Field (45 minutes from UTA). Those students requiring ground transportation to and from the airport must make their own arrangements.

HEALTH AND MEDICAL

Required Forms

Several medical and privacy forms are required for campers to participate. Links to these files can be found in your [Circuitree account](#) and must be uploaded electronically to the Circuitree software. Students cannot participate in camp without all paperwork on file.

In Case of Illness or Injury

Emergency illness or injury accidents should be brought to the attention of faculty or counselors immediately. If professional medical attention is necessary, arrangements for treatment will be made with the parent.

Insurance

Parental insurance will be the primary coverage for services incurred at any of the local hospitals or medical facilities.

Prescription Medicines

Students taking prescription drugs should turn these into the staff at check-in. Please provide written instructions with dosage and frequency of medication. Failure to adhere to this policy will be considered a violation of university drug policies and may result in suspension from camp without refund.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

This schedule is provided as an overview. A final schedule will be available at camp check-in. Commuters are always welcome to stay for the evening activities. Commuters not attending evening activities may be picked up at the end of the rehearsal day (noted in the schedule).

Sunday, June 18

11:30 a.m.	Boarder Dorm Check-in begins (see check-in sheet for your assigned time)
2:00 p.m.	Commuter Check-In (Fine Arts Building)
3:00 p.m.	MANDATORY All-Camp Meeting
3:30 p.m.	First Classes
5:00 p.m.	End of Rehearsal Day
9:30 p.m.	In Dorm
10:00 p.m.	In Rooms
10:30 p.m.	Lights Out

Monday, June 19 - Wednesday, June 21

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast for Boarders
8:00 a.m.	Commuter Check-In
8:30 a.m.	Morning Classes
11:30 a.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Afternoon Classes
5:30 p.m.	End of Rehearsal Day
5:45 p.m.	Dinner
7:30 p.m.	Evening Activity
9:30 p.m.	In Dorm
10:00 p.m.	In Rooms
10:30 p.m.	Lights Out

Thursday, June 22

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast for Boarders
8:00 a.m.	Commuter Check-In
8:30 a.m.	Morning Classes
11:30 a.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Afternoon Classes
4:00 p.m.	Dinner, Boarders check out of dorms. (pack, prepare for exhibition, etc.) Commuting students can wait in Irons recital hall or be checked out.
6:15 p.m.	Class (Prepare for Exhibition)
7:00 p.m.	Exhibition and Awards Ceremony
8:30 p.m.	Camp Ends