



Teague High School Roarin' Lion Band



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Dear Roarin' Lion Band,

I hope everyone is doing well given these difficult times! Make sure you read EVERY WORD of this document! It is *your* responsibility to make sure you are at all events and rehearsals to be included in the 2020 Marching Show production, ***Terminal Velocity***.

Rehearsals for the FULL 2020 Roarin' Lion Band will begin for EVERYONE on **Monday, August 3rd**.

Due to UIL's new guidelines recently released, we will be making some changes to our normal schedule. We will begin all music and marching fundamentals on August 3rd. We will not, however, be able to begin drill or visual work for the 2020 Marching Show until September 8th. We will be alternating days for inside instruction (2nd block of each day) due to limited space indoors. If you are not aware yet, school will proceed as normal starting on Wednesday, August 12th. According to UIL, school districts have the right to determine what extra-curricular activities students can be involved in depending on if they are in-class, hybrid, or virtual learning. You MUST be planning to enroll in "in-person" instruction to participate in the 2020 marching band production. Students who choose to enroll in virtual learning may still participate in the HS Band class but will not be allowed to take part in being involved in after-school extra-curricular activities.

Beginning August 3rd, each day will look like this:

12:30PM-2:30PM: Inside Sectionals – Group **A**

2:30PM-3:00PM: Break (Take time to clean and disinfect the Band Hall and other areas of use.)

3:00PM-5:00PM: Inside Sectionals – Group **B**

5:00PM-6:30PM: Break (Take time to clean and disinfect the Band Hall and other areas of use.)

6:30PM-8:00PM: Outside Full Band (Marching Fundamentals)

Below is an updated schedule for summer band events. Please read carefully so that you don't miss any rehearsals. ALL rehearsals are required to be included in the 2020 Marching Band show production! (Exceptions will be made due to COVID-19 exposure/quarantine). If you or any family member have or are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, you must stay at home and self-quarantine for 14 days. PLEASE do not come up here and put others at risk. You will be caught up and you will not be penalized; just please communicate with me through all means of communication! **Please be aware that dates and times are and will be subject to change at any time; be flexible.**

Tuesday-Thursday – July 28th – 30th

9:00AM-4:00PM: Percussion and Guard Practices (Lunch will be from 12PM-1PM.)

- Battery will be in the HS Auditorium.
- Front Ensemble will be in the Hallway beside the Band Hall.
- Guard will be in the Band Hall.

Friday, July 31st

9:00AM-4:00PM: Incoming Freshmen/8th Graders who want to try-out for HS Marching Band

- 9:00AM-12:00PM: Flutes, Clarinets, Trumpets, and French Horns
- 12:00PM-1:00PM: Break (Clean/disinfect the Band Hall and other areas of use.)
- 1:00PM-4:00PM: Alto Saxophones and Low Brass

*If you can not attend during these times, please call or email me as soon as possible.

Monday-Thursday – August 3rd – 6th

Group 'A': Flutes, Clarinets, Trumpets, French Horns, Battery

- Flutes/Clarinets – Auditorium
- Trumpets/French Horns – Band Hall
- Battery – Cafeteria

Group 'B': Alto Saxophones, Low Brass, Front Ensemble, Guard/Twirlers

- Alto Saxophones – Ensemble Room
- Low Brass – Auditorium
- Front Ensemble – Hallway
- Guard/Twirlers – Band Hall
- 12:30PM-2:30PM: Inside Sectionals – Group 'A'
- 2:30PM-3:00PM: Break (Clean/disinfect the Band Hall and other areas of use.)
- 3:00PM-5:00PM: Inside Sectionals – Group 'B'
- 5:00PM-6:30PM: Dinner Break (Clean/disinfect the Band Hall and other areas of use.)
- 6:30PM-8:00PM: Outside Full Band – Marching Fundamentals

Monday, August 10th

- 2:00PM-5:00PM: Inside Sectionals – Group 'A'
- 5:00PM-6:00PM: Break (Clean/disinfect the Band Hall and other areas of use.)
- 6:00PM-8:00PM: Outside Full Band – Marching Fundamentals

Tuesday, August 11th

- 2:00PM-5:00PM: Inside Sectionals – Group 'B'
- 5:00PM-6:00PM: Break (Clean/disinfect the Band Hall and other areas of use.)
- 6:00PM-8:00PM: Outside Full Band – Marching Fundamentals

As of right now, the Lion Band will be attending the following Marching Competitions during the 2020 season unless noted otherwise. Please note that these will be subject to change due to the push back of the UIL Region Marching Contest in December and the start of show drill/design on September 7th. These are the following contest dates:

Saturday, October 3rd – Midlothian Marching Showcase, Midlothian High School

Monday, October 12th – Mineola Marching Festival, Mineola High School

TBD***, December 3rd-10th – UIL Region VIII 3A Marching Contest, McGregor High School

Saturday, December 12th – UIL Area D 3A Marching Contest, Site TBD (Area will be every year starting this year.)

There are a few items that you will need to have to ensure things go well during summer rehearsals. Everyone needs sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses, shorts, light-colored or cool T-shirts, socks, and athletic tennis shoes. Also, this year, we are REQUIRING that every student have THEIR OWN water jug (at least 1 gal.) for band rehearsals. You MUST make sure you have water EVERY DAY!!! Water will not be provided due to COVID-19 restrictions. Woodwinds make sure you have checked your instrument pads and corks. Brass players check to make sure all valves, slides, and water keys are in good, working condition.

Part 1 to the 2020 Marching Show production is finished and ready for pick-up. Students will need to be ready to play on August 3rd. I will get you the music ASAP!!! You may have also check out an instrument for the summer at this time if you need to. Please contact me to arrange a pick-up time.

Our marching rehearsals will be outdoors so start getting acclimated to the heat now! Begin drinking more water so that you are well hydrated. Our show will be physically intense so start getting in shape. Try a few push-ups or sit-ups before we start on the 3rd.

These practices are important to the success of our band. Students will be assigned drill positions, learn and memorize music for our competition show, and prepare music for the stands the entire Fall season.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I'm really looking forward to this marching season and I hope you are as well. Enjoy the rest of your summer and I'll see you all soon!

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