

GLENOAK HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

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GlenOak Marching Band July & August Procedures

For the band to get to the point where we can have performances, we must work safely over these next few weeks on and off the field. We are following the recommendations and best practices suggested by professional organizations to safely return to marching band. We ask that students and parents please take time to read the following information.

Must Do's

- 1. **Students must wear a mask to all band functions** at the high school including practices, performances, uniform fittings, etc.
- 2. **Students must socially distance at all times** and have no physical contact with others at practices and performances. Students need to depart practices/performances promptly with no congregating in groups.
- 3. **Students who feel sick or have symptoms of COVID-19 must stay home**. Individual screening for symptoms will occur at the beginning of every practice. Symptoms include: *Coughing, shortness of breath or difficulty of breathing, fever chills, muscle pain, sore throat, and new loss of taste or smell*

Planning

For all full band rehearsals starting July 23 through Band Camp, students will be divided up into 3 Groups. Students need to know which group they are assigned so they can report to the locations assigned to them.

GROUP 1: Tenor Saxes, Baritones, Trombones, Tubas, Percussion

GROUP 2: Flutes, Clarinets, Majorettes

GROUP 3: Alto Saxes, Mellophones, Trumpets, Color Guard

Practice Flexibility

One of the scenarios we would like to avoid during camp is the need to have the entire band in the building at the same time practicing instruments for an extended period of time. We are going to watch the weather closely and may determine the need to <u>reduce</u> or <u>cancel</u> band rehearsal. If we do this, we will make the decision far enough in advance so you can plan accordingly. We will be setting up a Remind notification with the students prior to camp in addition to our ability to email students and parents. Students should plan to follow the schedule unless notified of changes.

Uniform Fittings

Uniform fittings will occur in the high school band room. Please enter through Door #8. We ask that only the band member and a maximum of 1 parent/guardian enter the building for fittings. Everyone must wear a mask. Once the band uniform is fitted, students will move to another area to purchase uniform accessories such as black gloves, shoes, spats, etc. New band members will receive a Black Band T-Shirt and Green Shorts which is included in the band fee. Majorettes and Color Guard do not get fitted for marching uniforms. The list of student appointment times is available at gohsband.com

Accessory Price List: PLIMPA Accepts Cash/Check and Credit Card (service fees apply)

Black Gloves \$5 Green Baret (Tuba Players Only) \$12
Black Band Shoes \$36 Extra Green Shorts \$18

Spats \$14 Extra Black Band T-Shirt \$10

Drum Camp

Students should bring their marching instruments, drum stands, sticks, and music with them on Monday, July 20. Enter the building through Door #8, and report to the Theater. Students need to bring a large water container, a small towel to wipe sticks/face/etc, tennis shoes w/ socks, and dress for the weather. After we meet briefly in the theater, we will begin practicing outdoors. Drum camp will be outdoors unless we have inclement weather. Should we need to move indoors, we will be dividing up the group to rehearse in multiple locations so we can insure safe distancing at all times. *All Indoor locations exceed safety guidelines.* Students may bring a lunch to eat at school or leave for lunch.

Sectionals

Sectionals during the week of July 20 will be held outdoors unless we have inclement weather. Should we need to move indoors, we will be dividing up the group in multiple locations so we can insure safe distancing at all times. *All indoor locations exceed all safety guidelines*. Students need to dress for the weather and bring a full water container. IIME CHANGE: The 10 AM Sectionals for Flutes, Clarinets, and Trumpets will end at 11:30 AM. The 1 PM Sectionals for Alto Saxes, Tubas, Mellophones, Trombones, Tenor Saxes, and Baritones will end at 2:30 PM. We will meet for sectionals outside the library entrance and depart from the same location. We ask that students wear their masks until rehearsal begins and when they leave.

Full Band Rehearsals on July 23 (Th) & 24 (F)

Students need to bring a container of water, instrument, flipbook (flip folder), lyre, dress for the weather, and wear comfortable tennis shoes with socks. Group 1 will report to the football stadium; Group 2 will report to the paved parking lot practice field in the student parking lot; Group 3 will report to the D-Wing Practice Field between the school and the football stadium. Groups are listed under **Planning** on the previous page. Upon arrival, percussion and tubas may get their instruments from the band room and leave them in the band room after rehearsal through Door #8. We ask that students wear their masks until rehearsal begins and when they leave.

Band Camp

For all of band camp, groups will report to the following locations to begin rehearsal: Group 1 will meet outside the library in the front of the building near the spiral staircases; Group 2 will meet on the parking lot practice field; Group 3 will meet at the D-Wing Practice Field.

Just like the rehearsals on the 23rd and 24th, students need to bring a container of water, instrument, flipbook (flip folder), lyre, dress for the weather, and wear comfortable tennis shoes with socks. Students will bring their instruments in their cases to and from rehearsal. Percussion and tubas will pick up their instruments from the band room. Groups will rotate through fundamental marching training, music rehearsal, and field show/drill rehearsal in their groups. We ask that students wear their masks during the rotation transitions.

Students will be screened to start the rehearsal. Students will have plenty of opportunities for water breaks. We will limit restroom usage to one student at a time and encourage hand washing.

Theme Days are back this year! See the next page for daily band camp themes!

Band Photos

Picture Day will occur on Friday, August 7 in the morning at the high school. We will provide a schedule of assigned times during band camp. Students will also receive photo packets from Rick Black Photography to order pictures. All students need to be photographed.

Additional Considerations

- Personal water containers should hold enough water for the rehearsal. We suggest 2 liters or equivalent. Water containers need to be labeled with the student's name. Students cannot share containers.
- Water breaks will be frequent and students will need to social distance during the breaks.
- Masks will be important during the transitions before practice, during practice, and after practice. As long as we are outdoors and maintaining 6 feet or more during rehearsal, students will not be required to wear a mask.
- After rehearsal, we strongly suggest students return home to shower and change clothes. It's also recommended for students to routinely clean their instruments when they return home. Students are not sharing instruments or equipment. School facilities will be properly cleaned each day.
- Drop-off and Pick-Up: Group 1 in the upper faculty parking lot; Group 2 outside the library entrance; Group 3 students outside Door #17. Student drivers should park in the upper faculty parking lot. We ask that all students leave campus immediately after practice ends.
- Instrument cases will stay with the students all day. We are not storing instruments (except percussion & tubas) in the building right now. This way the students can entertain you at home with their practicing!

2020 Band Camp Theme Days

July 27: Hawaiian Day

- Wear your leis and tropical shirt, maybe even a grass skirt. Help us make band camp like a vacation.

July 28: Christmas In July

- Pretending like it's Christmas is the best way to make this hot month just a bit cooler. Bring your Santa Hats and scarves.

July 29: Matching Day

- Similar to twin day, but not restricted to just groups of two, match with some of your friends in band!

July 30: Dress Like Your Section Leader Day

- Show up in the most iconic outfits your leader(s) are known for. Even pick up some of their characteristics if you can!

July 31: Disney Day

- Dress like your favorite characters from the Disney Movie of your choice!

August 3: 80's Day

- Show off your favorite outfits inspired by this iconic era!

August 4: Travel Day

- Dress up as a tourist, or even a local in one of your favorite countries.

August 5: Color Wars

(Freshman: Blue; Sophomores: Yellow; Juniors: Pink; Seniors: Red)

August 6: TBA



