



Band Camp Information – COVID 19

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SOUTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL BAND
THE PRIDE OF SOUTHSIDE

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BAND CAMP 2020 INFO

The Southside High School Band will adhere to guidelines set forth by the Alabama State Department of Education, the Etowah County Board of Education, the Alabama Department of Public Health, the Centers for Disease Control, and the Alabama High School Athletic Association. Additionally, the Southside Band directors are involved in research and dialogue for the performing arts within the Alabama Music Educators Association and the National Association for Music Education. Please be sure to read the entire document.

The current pandemic is a dynamic event with ever changing guidelines and protocols. This disclaimer will likely continue to evolve over time. Know that the directors are working to stay abreast of current events and will keep our members and families informed as new developments unfold. The safety of our students, staff, and volunteers is our primary concern.

Thank you for your patience as we strive to provide a safe learning environment for our students.

Sincerely,

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Southside High School

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SCHEDULE *(Please note the entering & exiting procedures)*

In order to adhere to social distancing guidelines, the full ensemble will not meet inside. This necessitates that we alter our traditional camp schedule. We will rehearse in sectionals during the morning hours both indoors and outside, and return in the evening when the weather has cooled to learn drill with the full band. Additionally, we will not be able to provide lunch.

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SCHEDULE

Aux. / Percussion Camp

Mon 7/20 – Wed 7/22

Date	Time	Group	Location	Enter	Exit
Mon 7/20	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Colorguard	Auditorium	Main Entrance	Auditorium Backstage Hallway
	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Crimsonettes	Gym	Outside Gym Doors	Outside Gym Doors
	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Battery Percussion	Band Room	Auditorium Backstage Hallway	Main Entrance
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Front Ensemble Perc.	Band Room	Auditorium Backstage Hallway	Main Entrance
	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Student Leadership Team	Google Meet	N/A	N/A
Tues 7/21	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Colorguard	Auditorium	Main Entrance	Auditorium Backstage Hallway
	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Crimsonettes	Gym	Outside Gym Doors	Outside Gym Doors
	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Battery Percussion	Band Room	Auditorium Backstage Hallway	Main Entrance
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Front Ensemble Perc.	Band Room	Auditorium Backstage Hallway	Main Entrance
Wed 7/22	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Colorguard	Auditorium	Main Entrance	Auditorium Backstage Hallway
	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Crimsonettes	Gym	Outside Gym Doors	Outside Gym Doors
	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Battery Percussion	Band Room	Auditorium Backstage Hallway	Main Entrance
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Front Ensemble Perc.	Band Room	Auditorium Backstage Hallway	Main Entrance

Mini Camp (Hornline returns)

Thurs 7/23 & Fri 7/24

Group	Time	Location	Enter	Exit
Woodwinds	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Field 1 (Marching)	Space Out	Space Out
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Band Room (Music)	Main Entrance	Back Stage Hallway
Brass	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Band Room (Music)	Main Entrance	Back Stage Hallway
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Field 1 (Marching)	Space Out	Space Out
Pit	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Stage	Back Stage Hallway	Main Entrance
Battery	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Aud. Audience (Music)	Back Stage Hallway	Main Entrance
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Field 2 (Marching)	Space Out	Space Out
Colorguard	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Field 2	Space Out	Space Out
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Gym	Bus Loading Doors	Outside Gym Doors
Crimsonettes	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Gym	Space Out	Space Out
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Field 2	Outside Gym Doors	Bus Loading Doors

Band Camp * Lunch will not be provided this year

Mon 7/27 – Fri 7/31

Group	Time	Location	Enter	Exit
Woodwinds	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Field 1 (Marching)	Space Out	Space Out
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Band Room (Music)	Main Entrance	Back Stage Hallway
Brass	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Band Room (Music)	Main Entrance	Back Stage Hallway
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Field 1 (Marching)	Space Out	Space Out
Pit	8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Stage	Back Stage Hallway	Main Entrance
Battery	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Aud. Audience (Music)	Back Stage Hallway	Main Entrance
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Field 2 (Marching)	Space Out	Space Out
Colorguard	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Field 2	Space Out	Space Out
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Gym	Bus Loading Doors	Outside Gym Doors
Crimsonettes	8:00 am – 9:45 am	Gym	Space Out	Space Out
	10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Field 2	Outside Gym Doors	Bus Loading Doors
		<i>BREAK (off campus)</i>		
FULL ENSEMBLE	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Field 1 (Drill)	WW Side A Brass Side B Battery Endzone B Crim. Endzone B Guard Back Field Pit Front Field	WW Side A Brass Side B Battery Endzone B Crim. Endzone B Guard Back Field Pit Front Field

SOCIAL DISTANCING & MASKS

The schedule has been organized to avoid large groups of students. While in sectionals, students will be required to maintain their distance from others and wear masks at all times when not engaged in activities (playing, marching, etc.)

- We need YOUR help to maintain distance
 - Per the State's Mask Requirement, all students will be required to wear a mask
 - Exercise is an exception – The staff will direct students to remove masks before engaging in activities (playing, marching, etc.) and then wear them at the end of activities
 - Students who feel that they are having trouble breathing in masks (asthmatics etc.) should step away from others and remove their masks
- Hand sanitizer will be available, shared surfaces will be sanitized, but, we're counting on everyone's help to maintain proper hygiene and safety. WASH YOUR HANDS!
- Breaks – Students will not be allowed to congregate in large groups anywhere on campus such as
 - Parking Lots – Staff will help monitor
 - Rehearsal Spaces – Section Leaders will help monitor
 - Instrument & Equipment Rooms – Section Leaders will help monitor

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HYDRATION

Students should bring their own jugs for rehearsals but must ensure they bring enough water to safely maintain adequate levels of hydration. Students will not have access to water fountains on campus. Bottled water will be available for emergencies only.

Pandemic or not, Alabama is still HOT! Wear sensible clothing & **SUNSCREEN!!!!**

For health and safety reasons, water coolers will not be provided for students this year.

ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING THEIR OWN WATER JUGS AND/OR COOLERS EVERY DAY, NO EXCEPTIONS. No sharing will be allowed.



CAMP TIPS

- It will be HOT. Do not wait until the last minute to start preparing. Go outside this summer, drink lots of water, and prepare yourself for being outside long before the first day of band camp shows up.
- **Everyone is to wear comfortable tennis shoes and socks at all times!** Remember to bring a hat, you will need to wear it outside.

Other Information

Obviously, the COVID-19 pandemic is an ever-changing situation. While this information may change, we want to give everyone as much of an idea of what is going on as we can.

What We Don't Know

- Uniforms
 - Can we safely fit all members? (Doubtful)
 - There is a backup plan just in case
- What will football games look like?
- Will we travel to away games?
- Will there be any marching contests or concerts?

What We DO Know

- We *will* be returning to school Aug. 11
- Band *will* be a part of school
- Students electing to pursue virtual learning *will* be allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities on campus and after school
- **Music Education** is about learning and teaching music for music's sake. Most importantly, it's about making connections with each other. Competitions and live performances don't define us or what we do....No matter what, we will continue to redefine, readjust, and be creative. **GO PRIDE GO!!**

Schools will announce fall plans soon. I don't know, but I imagine everyone will be unhappy. Remember you help determine your child's attitude. Be angry or sad in private. Discuss your frustrations away from the kids. Set them up for success by teaching them to make the best of it. Practice protocols at home. Stay positive and teach perseverance.