SUMMER CAMP NEWSLETTER 2016

"From the Podium"

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Prepare for the Heat!

Welcome to Alabama in the summer. It. Is. HOT! Band Camp is a LOT of fun, but you can't enjoy yourself if all you're use to is the nice cool airconditioned living room. Spending a little time outdoors each day will help you adjust to the increasing temperatures.

Any bit of physical activity (walking, jogging, swimming, etc.) each day will help your body adjust to the physical demands of marching band.

"What to wear"

Comfortable, light colored & loose fitting clothing. Athletic shoes are a must!



A Message from our new Assistant Director, Ms. Palmer

Hello!

I am excited about joining the Southside band family as the Assistant Band Director and Choral Instructor for the 2016-2017 school year! I grew up in Northwest Alabama and graduated from Muscle Shoals High School. My summers were filled with the Drum Corps activity, as I served as drum major for the Music City Drum and Bugle Corps, leading them to the 2013 Drum Corps International World Class Semi-finals.

I graduated from The University of Alabama, where I completed a Bachelor's degree in Music Education. While attending, The University of Alabama, I performed in many musical ensembles including the symphonic band, chamber winds, and contemporary ensemble. I also served as the principal clarinetist for the Alabama Wind Ensemble and as Drum Major for the "Million Dollar" Marching Band.

I cannot wait to meet each of you and look forward to making music together!

Go PRIDE GO!

Upcoming Rehearsals

Mini Camp July 18-22 Guard 2 – 7pm

Horns/Aux: 3-7pm

Drumline: 2-7pm

Band Camp July 25-29 All members

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Additional August 1, 2 & 4 All members

3:00 - 6pm



2016 Halftime Production: Anchors Aweigh

The PRIDE's 2016 halftime show "Anchors Aweigh" is a musical journey through the seven seas. It will feature popular tunes such as: "Come Sail Away", "Under the Sea", "Under the Boardwalk", "Eternal Father Strong to Save", "Russian Sailors Dance", "Sail" and "Anchors Aweigh".

The music is available online at: www.shs-band.com

New Band Camp Website

Check out our new Band Camp website! There you will find lots of information to help prepare you for camp. www.southsidebandcamp.weebly.com

ALSO, look at our new updated booster and band websites at: www.thepridemusic.com

Marching Technique Review

Each year, how well our band marches and moves counts greatly toward our overall scores in competition. Make sure to do your part and practice the marching basics taught during Rookie Camp. A GREAT resource for any student regardless of experience are the Marching Technique videos used by University of Alabama Million Dollar Band found online at: http://bands.ua.edu/mdbtechnique/

Please watch these videos and do your part to make our band better by practicing your marching technique

Leadership Workshop – July 16th

The Vivace Leadership Clinic will be held on Saturday, July 16th at Homewood High School. If you have signed up, please look for an email from Mr. Weaver this week. The cost is \$70 per student and checks should be made payable to *The PRIDE Music Association*.

We will bus from Southside Elementary to Homewood, AL. We will have lunch together and then return to the Elementary School.









Reminders for Members & Parents

- All rehearsal and performance dates are listed on the calendar (http://www.thepridemusic.com)
 Additional dates will be provided as they become available.
- Handbook forms turned in according to deadline
- Danceline and Colorguard Uniform Payments balance due week of mini-camp.
- Water and Gatorade Each member is asked to donate one can of powdered Gatorade mix (flavor is your choice) for rehearsals at the beginning of band camp.

 Each member is also expected to donate one 12 pack of bottled water for performances before the first game. Make sure to write student's name on donated items so that you receive credit for turning them in.
- July Booster Meeting July 11, 2016 at 7:00pm in the Biddle Auditorium
- Band Fee payments are due at the end of each month (make financial hardships known)

The PRIDE Music Association Executive Board

President: Andrea Brown E-Mail: andrea.brown@tdr-construction.com

1st VP: Patrick Huselton (Concessions) E-Mail: patrick huselton@yahoo.com

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Charms Accounts

Keep up-to-date with membership fee payments through Charms at:

(https://www.charmsoffice.com)

Our school code is: pridemusicassociation

If do not know, or have not received your individual password, please email a director and they can provide it for you.

About Fees

All Fee Checks should be made payable to *Southside High School*.

Checks or cash should always be placed in an ENVELOPE.

Always indicate the student's name and purpose of payment on the outside of the envelope when not mailing.

Include student's name on the memo line

COMMITMENT ◆ DISCIPLINE

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EXCELLENCE *TRADITION

Summer Camp Schedule

MINI CAMP (All Members) July 18 - 22, 2016

Colorguard 2pm-7pm / Hornline & Aux. 3pm-7pm / Drumline 3pm – 8pm

Goals: Learn and memorize the halftime & pregame show music, review stand tunes, review basic marching, learn to read drill charts and coordinate sheets.

BAND CAMP (All Members) July 25 - 29, 2016

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Goals: Learn and be able to perform the entire halftime & pregame productions of "*The PRIDE*" of Southside!! Learn and be familiar with the Game-day Procedures for football games.



Items Needed for Every Rehearsal

- Water Jug with wide mouth
- Hat / Sunglasses
- Sunscreen!!!
- Music & Flip Folder
- Instrument
- Pencil!!!!!
- Coordinate Sheets & Poker Chips (Assigned during camp)
- Rehearsal Aprons (Assigned during camp)

A GREAT Attitude!!!!



All rehearsals are vital to our success this season. It is your responsibility to arrange your schedule to accommodate your band commitment.

*Appropriate disciplinary actions will be taken for unexcused absences. Please consult the band handbook for our full Attendance Policy.



Extra Rehearsals Before School

Monday, August 1st 3:00-6:00 pm

Tuesday, August 2nd 3:00-6:00 pm

Thursday, August 4th 3:00-6:00 pm



Parents

The PRIDE Music Association Needs YOU!!!

Concession Stands

The band derives the largest amount of its income from concessions. We cannot function without the help of parents working during football season. It is vital that once you are assigned to a stand that you plan to stay in that stand and work the entire evening. Please be willing to pitch in and do your part!

Behind the Scenes: There are deliveries, clean up and set up before the stands can be opened that evening. If you are available to work, please let Patrick Huselton know.

- There are 6 home games this year. Parents should sign up to work 1 game in the concession stands.
- SENIOR PARENTS DO NOT WORK SENIOR NIGHT!
- There will be signup sheets for every game at the July 11th meeting.
- When you arrive to work, go to the Pass Gate (first gate between garage and restrooms) and sign in. Pick up your nametag and report to the assigned concession stand.
- Please try to arrive between 5:30-6:00.

Chaperones

When *The PRIDE* travels to away games, competition and trips, it takes an army of hard working staff, chaperones & volunteers to ensure the timely and safe arrival of our students. There are props to assemble, loading and un-loading the equipment bus, seat covers to be put out, water to be dispensed, and the list goes on.

This is not just a free pass!!

Parents who wish to travel on the band busses should be prepared to help out in all of the logistical tasks of preparing the band.

A limited amount of parents are allowed to travel with the busses. Sign up sheet will be available at the July 11th PMA meeting.



HONDA Work Day – July 16th

8:30 am - 1:30pm

Attention! If you or anyone you know is a Honda employee, please encourage them to sign up for our HMA Volunteer Day, Saturday July 16th. "The PRIDE" will receive \$100 for every volunteer who signs up to help us clean and organize our concession stand and high school band room.

For more information, contact Buddy Witt (256) 295-0327

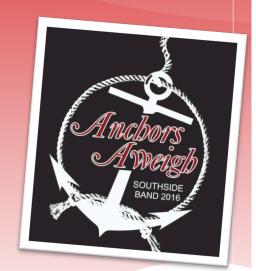
Band Camp Traditions!

TENTS:

Each year, every section is allowed to set up a tent on the sidelines of our rehearsal field as a place to cool off during breaks. Sections are challenged to decorate their tents according to a theme that usually correlates to our show. This year, the theme for tent decorations will be: **Pirates & Sailors!**

Near the end of camp, the staff, instructors and directors will judge the tents based on: creativity, presentation, and entertainment. The section with the best tent will receive a special award!

Sections may begin work on tents on Sunday, July 24th. ALL tents must be removed by Monday, August 1st.



SHAVING CREAM WAR

Another fun band camp tradition is the annual SHAVING CREAM WAR!!!

This is a fun and optional way for members to blow off steam after a long week of rehearsal.

On Friday of Band Camp, members will meet on the field with as much shaving cream as they can hold and declare war on one another! It's a fun and messy free-for-all. You're not going to want to miss this parents!

Some reminders:

- This is an optional activity.
- Bring a towel
- You MUST wear shoes to participate
- No mentholated shaving cream is allowed



GO PRIDE GO!!!



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