

“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 air-conditioned 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 Directors

Hello PRIDE!

We hope that everyone has had a wonderful summer break! We can't wait to see everyone and hear all of your stories about your summer vacation!

This newsletter is a quick guide to some important information for both members and parents. Please review it in addition to our handbook to understand all of our responsibilities and goals. Please remember to turn in all registration and information forms, which can be found online at: www.shs-band.com

A great deal of planning by our amazing staff has already gone into this year's show. We're all very excited about this show and the band. This year is going to be AMAZING!!

See everyone at Mini Camp!

-Mr. Weaver & Ms. Holm

Upcoming Rehearsals

Mini Camp
July 17-21

Guard 2 – 7pm

Horns/Aux: 3-7pm

Drumline: 2-7pm

Band Camp
July 24-28

All members

8:00 am – 5:00

pm

Additional
July 31 Aug 1 & 3

All members

3:00 – 6pm





"The PRIDE" Welcomes Ms. Rebekah Holm as New Assistant Director

We are very happy to announce that Ms. Rebekah Holm will be joining us this fall as our new Assistant Band Director. Ms. Holm is a native of Florence, Alabama and graduated from the University of North Alabama. She is coming to us from Alamo, Georgia where she has spent the past three years as the Director of Bands at Wheeler County High School. Ms. Holm is a percussionist and has marched with the Blue Stars Drum & Bugle Corps. For more information on Ms. Holm and to read her welcome letter, please check our blog at: www.shs-band.com/blog

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: www.southsidebandcamp.com

Please watch these videos and do your part to make our band better by practicing your marching technique ***before rehearsals start!***



2017 Halftime Production: "ROCKSTAR"

The PRIDE's 2017 halftime show is entitled "ROCKSTAR" and will feature selections such as: "Bohemian Rhapsody", "Crazy Little Thing Called Love", "Sweet Child 'O Mine", "Livin' On A Prayer" & more!

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

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

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Reminders for Members & Parents

- All rehearsal and performance dates are listed on the calendar (<http://www.shs-band.com>) Additional dates will be provided as they become available.
- Handbook forms turned in according to deadline
- **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 10, 2017 at 7:00pm in the Biddle Auditorium**
- Band Fee payments are due the first Friday of each month. (Please make any financial hardships known)

The PRIDE Music Association Executive Board

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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  EXCELLENCE ♦ TRADITION

Summer Camp Schedule

MINI CAMP (All Members) July 17 – 21, 2017

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

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 24 – 28, 2017

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.

**Lunch will be provided. Students may bring their own meal if they wish. Members are not allowed to leave campus during rehearsal.*



Attendance Policy

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.**



Items Needed for Every Rehearsal

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

A GREAT Attitude!!!!



Extra Rehearsals Before School

Monday, July 31st 3:00-6:00 pm

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

Thursday, August 3rd 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 4 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.

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 10th PMA meeting.

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: **Music Festivals!** Each section will be a different band onstage at a music festival.

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 Saturday, July 22nd.
ALL tents must be removed by Monday, July 31st.



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!!!



SOUTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL BAND

"The PRIDE" of Southside

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