**Infor for Upcoming Freshmen**
Monday, May 12, 2025
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*www.theprideofsouthside.com/blog*

To All Upcoming Freshmen Alternate Candidates:

Hello! While we are all looking forward to a well-earned summer break, Mr. Waits & I are also very excited to get to know all of our new band members and families. This information is for all incoming high schoolers and current 7th graders auditioning for spots as 8th grade marchers.

If you have any questions, please reach out to me at matt_weaver@ecboe.org or 256-459-8211(band cell).

-Mr. Weaver

## THINGS TO KNOW

- **Have Questions?:** Our website (www.theprideofsouthside.com) is THE spot to find answers. Every message or text sent out is archived on our blog and the pages are laid out so as to be as helpful as possible to our newest members and parents.

- **Newsletter:** A newsletter was sent out some weeks ago to upcoming members. If you haven't yet, please read it online at https://www.theprideofsouthside.com/blog/spring-25-newsletter-info-for-upcoming-freshmen

- **Upcoming Events:** There are three (3) immediate and important events for all members:

    1. **Spring Training:** May 13-15, 3:15 to 4:30 pm @ SHS Band Room ***Need athletic clothing, shoes, and water! We will be outside some.
    2. **Spring Scrimmage Game:** The PRIDE will play in the stands this Friday night for the spring scrimmage game. This is a fun event for all of us including our outgoing seniors and incoming members. We will meet underneath the stadium on the west end at 6:30 pm. Wear your crimson band shirt or school colors! Shorts are fine. Bring water!
    3. **Orientation Meeting:** Our **MANDATORY** orientation meeting for **every member and parents** is Monday, May 19th at 6 pm in the HS auditorium. Please bring a pen and an electronic device.

- **Band Camp:** Band Camp is July 14-18; and 21-25. Additional rehearsals before the start of term: July 29, 31, Aug. 4, and 5th.

- **Register for Band:** Please register with the band online at https://www.theprideofsouthside.com/register---join-the-pride.html