

Updated Camp Information

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Hello PRIDE,

I know that these are difficult and trying times that we are all facing. It seems that everywhere we look, uncertainty and fear are lurking, waiting for us. Though we may not know what lies in store for our futures, I have every confidence in you all, and I want to offer some words of encouragement to you and your families.

The American poet Emma Wilcox wrote:

"One ship drives east and another drives west With the selfsame winds that blow. Tis the set of the sails
And not the gales
Which tells us the way to go.
Like the winds of the seas are the ways of fate, As we voyage along through the life:
Tis the set of a soul
That decides its goal,
And not the calm or the strife."

It is the strength of our convictions and not our circumstances that define who we are. We cannot change the things that we cannot change. Indeed, the only thing that we ever truly have a modicum of control over is how we allow ourselves to react. Self-discipline is not easily achieved and is an ongoing process more than an event.

With the looming possibility of our rehearsal time together being cut short, every individual's efforts will become more critical than ever. Given the uncertainty of future event, I hope that we will all be more aware of the importance to live in them moment. Whatever success we meet with this year will be all the more rewarding because of the added responsibility and ownership that each of you will take.

Your recognition of what needs to be done is a testament to your maturity, bravery, and will help shape our future for years to come. There is no other program that I would rather give this responsibility to than the one here at Southside High with The PRIDE! Despite these circumstances, I know that we will survive and thrive!

All my best,

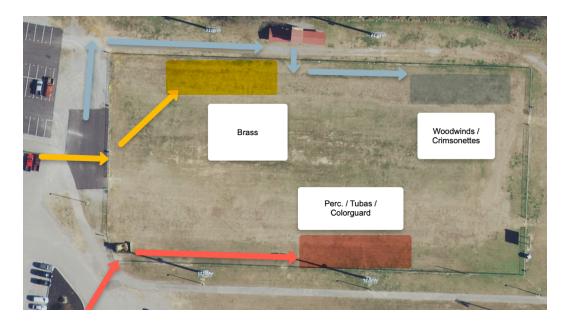
Mr. Weaver

2020 Summer Camp Procedures and Guidelines

Resuming Camp Schedule

Monday 8/3, Tuesday 8/4, & Wednesday 8/5

6 - 9 pm: Full Ensemble on the field



Students will still be required to wear masks and transport their own equipment. Only percussion, auxiliary, and tubas will go inside the building to get equipment.

As students move to the practice field there will be designated areas for each section where their equipment will be placed. There will be staff members on the field helping students go to these spots to ensure social distancing.

Students (except Tubas, Percussion, and Auxiliary) must take their instrument home and back each day. There will be access to any lockers or storage rooms.

Items that students must come prepared with:

- 1. Appropriate clothing for hot weather
- 2. Closed toe tennis shoes.
- 3. Sunblock (Take into consideration your skin tone and potential for burning)
- 4. Water Jugs (This is critical. You will not be able to share!) Write your name in permanent marker to easily distinguish yours from the hundreds of others.

Students that drive may not hang out or congregate in the parking lot after rehearsal has dismissed

Summer Practice General Guidelines

- All students, staff and family members are asked to wash hands, check their temperature beforehand and stay home if temperature is above 100.4°F.
 - Parents should check the student's temperature on a daily basis. Be aware of and disclose any potential contact with affected individuals.
 - Students and staff must be fever free for 48 hours before coming back to campus.
- All students, staff and family members are asked to stay home if showing any signs
 of illness.
- Students, staff, and family members who test positive for COVID-19 must be symptom free for 14 days before coming to campus.
- All activities are closed to non-essential personnel (i.e. parents, spectators)
- Students must arrive on time for rehearsals due to the highly structured set up. Students who are late cannot be added to a rehearsal.
- All students will have their temperature taken by a member of the band staff via infrared touch-less thermometer before they can enter the building. Students may not enter if temperature is above 100.4°F.
- There should be no congregating on campus. Students should leave campus as soon the rehearsal is completed.
- Wash and sanitize your hands often.
- Do not touch your face, eyes or mouth with unclean hands.
- Practice social distancing at all times.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your elbow if you cough or sneeze.
- Instrument storage rooms will be closed indefinitely. There should be no entry into these areas at any time. Students should arrive ready to participate.
- Personal belongings can be brought into the facility of use for temporary storage during rehearsal. Personal items should not be shared. Do not bring items of value as there will not be a locked place to secure them.
- Individuals need to bring their own water jug labeled by name. Jugs should be cleaned after each use.
- Facial coverings are recommended to the greatest extent possible but must be worn when an activity requires a person to be closer than six feet and when entering common areas. Students are required to bring face coverings to all rehearsals.
- If a student is not compliant with social distancing measures, they will be removed from the rehearsal and spoken to regarding compliance. If this happens a second time, the student will be asked to leave the rehearsal.