

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR BAND CAMP

Band Camp is mandatory for everyone. It is a time for us to bond, rehearse, and develop the camaraderie necessary to provide the leadership and energy to the PRIDE and New Mexico State University. 100% participation gives us the opportunity to be 100% prepared.

The following items are NOT recommendations! These are necessities for a successful and safe band camp week. Please be prepared for every rehearsal.

- *water

- *sunscreen

- *sunglasses

- *ball caps

- *socks

- *tennis shoes/sneakers (shoes must have an arch!)

- ***flip folders**: Wind players must have a **flip folder** for all music and a lyre to attach the folder to your instrument. **YOU MUST BRING A FLIP FOLDER TO BAND CAMP.** Please plan to purchase these at your local music store during the summer.

- *appropriate outdoor wear (comfortable shorts and light colored t-shirts)

******HYDRATE** well the night before and throughout the day!! Drink plenty of water NOT soda!!

Reminders:

- ***Meals** are your own responsibility, unless indicated on the band camp schedule, until dining services opens for dinner on August 18. Please plan accordingly.

- *There is an **instrument fee** of \$25.00 for use of all instruments and equipment belonging to NM State Bands. This includes brass and woodwind instruments, percussion, and sousaphones.

- *Two **PRIDE T-shirts** will be purchased by all new members at a cost of \$15.

- ***Uniform fee** is \$15. Uniform fittings will be on the respective days listed on the band camp schedule. Uniforms will be returned after the final performance in November, and there will be no dry cleaning refund this year.

- *Our **uniform band shoes** are black matte finish and cost \$40 per pair. We will have a fitting session early in band camp for those who need to order new shoes, or you may get them at your usual source. The shoes are MTX – If you do not have MTX shoes, you will need to purchase a pair.

- ***Baseball cap** will cost \$10 and **gloves** will be \$5 each. Baseball cap – This will be part of the uniforms for use in the stands for all wind & percussion players.

RECAP OF FEES

uniform fee, all members	\$15.00
instrument fee, if needed	\$25.00
PRIDE shirts, all members	\$15.00
Hoodie (Optional)	\$15.00
shoes, if needed	\$40.00
baseball cap, if needed	\$10.00
gloves, all members	\$ 5.00
band banquet	\$10.00

Please make arrangements to have the funds by this date. This payment may be applied to your student account or by check payable to NMSU Bands.

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

Any solo parts will be auditioned and determined during band camp. Auditions will be based on scales, sight reading and short prepared excerpt. (TBA)

DIRECTIONS FOR HOUSING APPLICATION

When you apply for housing, please write on the top of the application, “I’m in band”. If you’ve already sent your application, you may email or write the housing office to add this detail. See the letter on the next page for addresses, either email or postal. This simple phrase will help the Housing Office prepare for your early arrivals.

EARLY HOUSING

Housing opens officially on August 18. As always, the band office will pay for the designated number of nights for band camp before this date. Some of you need to come a day earlier than the designated time for your section, in order to facilitate your travel arrangements. If you hope to arrive a day early, please make your request in writing to the Housing Office. Not all requests can be accommodated based on summer usage of the housing facilities. If you are approved to come in before the date required by band, you will be responsible for the nightly rate associated with that stay. See the letter on the next page for the email and postal addresses for this request.

HOUSING OFFICE REQUEST

In some situations, we receive requests for roommates to move in at the same time. Please note that your roommate is responsible for requesting early arrival accommodations with the Housing Office and paying all associated fees. Please do NOT automatically assume that your roommate can come with you. Have that person get authorization from the Housing Office FIRST!