



2023-2024 Silver Spirit Marching Band Registration Packet

Welcome to the 2023-2024 Marching Band Season! We are excited to have you join us for a year of incredible music making!

This packet includes all necessary forms and information about the 2023-2024 season. The Marching Band Fee for the 2023-2024 season is \$500 per student. **All forms and initial payment must be filled and returned by May 12th.** Forms and payments can be turned in to the lock box found in the band room, or mailed to:

Dutch Fork Band Boosters

PO Box 2145

Irmo, SC 29063

2023-2024 Silver Spirit Marching Band Fee Payment Schedule

| <u>Due Date</u> | <u>Fee</u> |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| May 12th, 2023 | \$150 (Initial payment) |
| July 28th, 2023 | \$175 |
| August 25th, 2023 | \$175 |
| Total: | \$500 |

Payments can be made by check, Paypal, Venmo, cash, or having credit in your fair share account from fundraising. Please make checks payable to "DFBB" and include the student's name on the check. Please place payments in the Lock Box in the Band Room, or mail to:

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For questions or information on your
Marching Band fee status, please contact
dfbbtreas@gmail.com



Information for All Members

Mandatory Parent Meeting

A parent or guardian of prospective, new, or returning marching band members is required to attend the parent meeting on one of the following dates: **Thursday, April 20th or Monday May 8th at 7 PM in the high school band room.** These meetings will cover various information for the upcoming marching band season.

Color Guard Auditions

Students interested in participating in the Color Guard will need to audition. **Color Guard auditions will be on Tuesday, May 10th, Wednesday, May 11th and Thursday, May 12th from 4:15 PM to 6:15 PM.** All new members and returning members must audition in order to be a member of the color guard.

Drumline and Front Ensemble Auditions

Percussion students are required to attend each rehearsal and then audition for the drumline and front ensemble on **Thursday, May 4th and Tuesday, May 9th from 4:15 PM to 6:00 PM.** These auditions will be used to place percussion students on the instrument they will need to play during the season.

Spring Training

Spring training is 2 days of marching band rehearsals where students get the chance to learn and to reacquaint themselves with marching technique. **Spring training is mandatory for all students. Spring Training will be on Monday, May 15th, and Tuesday, May 16th from 4:15 PM - 6:00 PM.**

Rehearsal Schedule

Due to extreme weather conditions during the months of August and September, rehearsals will be **Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM.** Beginning the week of September 18th, rehearsals will be **Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM. The times are subject to change based on weather conditions throughout the season.**

Friday Stadium Rehearsals

Friday stadium rehearsals have been added on days where we do not have a home football game. This is also being done to cut down on Saturday rehearsals. Times and dates for stadium rehearsals are listed below in the Calendar of Events.

Wednesday Weather Make Up Days

In the last few years, we have lost several days of school and rehearsal time due to hurricane season. In order to make sure we do not lose valuable rehearsal time during the week, we are adding 3 make up days in October. **These days will only be used if we lose a rehearsal during the weekday due to school closure.** We will communicate in advance if we need to use a weather make-up day.

Band Camp

There is a **required band camp** prior to the beginning of the school year. **New members, Color Guard, percussion, and leaders** will begin on **Monday July 24th, and Tuesday July 25th from 9 AM - 5PM.** **All Members** will begin on **Wednesday July 26th through Friday July 28th from 8AM - 6PM for Week 1.** **Week 2 of band camp** will begin on **Monday, July 31st to Friday, August 4th from 8 AM - 6 PM.**

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Remind Group

We will be using the Remind app for communication to all students and parents throughout the season. To join, please text .

Band Handbook

All members and parents are required to read the Band Handbook and turn in the Band Handbook Signature Page by **Friday, July 28th**. The 2023-2024 Band Handbook will be available prior to the start of band camp. The Band Handbook Signature Page can be found at our website: www.dutchforkband.com under the FORMS tab.

Information for New Members

Summer Uniform

Every new member of the marching band is required to purchase the band's summer uniform shirt. Order forms for the summer uniform shirt will be distributed at Band Camp. The cost of the Summer Uniform shirt is \$15 and will need to be paid for during Band Camp. New band members will also need to purchase khaki shorts and predominately white tennis shoes. New Color Guard members will need to purchase black compression shorts and predominately white tennis shoes. **Khaki and compression shorts must follow the dress code policy.** These items can be purchased at a local retailer.

Marching Uniform Items

Every new member of the marching band will need to purchase the following items during Band Camp:

Drillmasters (marching band shoes) - approximately \$30

Gloves - \$2.75 a pair. Students must have at least one pair for the season. It is **highly encouraged** that students purchase a second pair for the season.

Flip Folder and Lyre - approximately \$10. These items are required for football games.

Musical Innovations will be coming to band camp on **Thursday, August 3rd** for students that need to purchase these items as well as any additional items. Checks can be made out to Musical Innovations.

Color Guard Items

Students in the Color Guard will need to purchase items they will need throughout the season. These include but are not limited to: hair and makeup items, warmup suits, tape, etc. More information about what these students will need to purchase will be given out during auditions for Color Guard.



Marching Band Calendar of Events

This Calendar is based on all available information as of April 2023. Revisions are possible and will be sent out as soon as they are available

| July | | |
|---------------|---|--|
| 7/24 | New Members, Percussion, Color Guard, Leaders | 8 AM - 6 PM |
| 7/25 | New Members, Percussion, Color Guard, Leaders | 8 AM - 6 PM |
| 7/26 - 7/28 | Band Camp Week 1 (All members) (Bring lunch) | 8 AM - 6 PM |
| August | | |
| 7/31 - 8/3 | Band Camp Week 2 (Bring lunch) | 8 AM - 6 PM |
| 8/4 | Last Band Camp Day (Senior Day) | 8 AM - 6 PM |
| 8/7 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/8 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/10 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/14 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/15 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/17 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/18 | Rehearsal in the Stadium | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/21 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/22 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/24 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/25 | Football | Home Game Against Spartanburg HS |
| 8/28 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 8/31 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |

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| September | | |
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| 9/1 | Football | Home Game Against Hough HS |
| 9/4 | Labor Day | No Rehearsal |
| 9/5 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 9/7 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 9/8 | Football | Home Game Against Stratford HS |
| 9/11 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 9/12 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 9/14 | Rehearsal | 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM |
| 9/15 | Football | Home Game Against North Augusta HS |
| 9/16 | Rehearsal in the Stadium and D5 Marching Exhibition | 8 AM - 8 PM |
| *Marching Band rehearsals will change to 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM from here* | | |
| 9/18 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 9/19 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 9/21 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 9/22 | Football | Home Game Against Weddington HS |
| 9/23 | Rehearsal(Color Guard only) | All Day Event |
| 9/25 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 9/26 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 9/28 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 9/29 | Rehearsal in the Stadium | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |

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| 9/30 | Competition | White Knoll Silver Showcase(All Day Event) |
| October | | |
| 10/2 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/3 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/5 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/6 | Rehearsal in the Stadium | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/7 | Competition | River Bluff Swamp Classic(All Day Event) |
| 10/9 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/10 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/11 | Weather Make-up Rehearsal 1 (Only used if we miss a weekday rehearsal due to school closure) | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/12 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/13 | Rehearsal in the Stadium | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/14 | Competition | Palmetto 'Esprit de Corps'(Irmo HS) (All Day Event) |
| 10/16 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/17 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/18 | Weather Make-up Rehearsal 2 (Only used if we miss a weekday rehearsal due to school closure) | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/19 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/20 | Football | Home Game Against River Bluff HS |
| 10/21 | Competition | 4A Lower State (All Day Event) |

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| 10/23 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/24 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/25 | Weather Make-up Rehearsal 3 (Only used if we miss a weekday rehearsal due to school closure) | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/26 | Rehearsal | 4:15 PM - 6:45 PM |
| 10/27 | Football | Home Game Against Lexington HS |
| 10/28 | Competition | 4A State Finals (All Day Event) |
| *Keep Friday nights open in November and December for Football Playoff games as these games are required as part of Quarter 2 Grades*. | | |

Marching Band Schedule Reminders

Do **not** take the SAT on 10/7. Do **not** take the ACT on 10/21.

Appointments scheduled during rehearsals and performances are considered **unexcused** unless pre-approved by the Band Director.

All rehearsals and performances are **MANDATORY** unless stated otherwise on the schedule. All rehearsals and performances are **graded**.

Students must be in the band room **15 minutes** before the beginning of a rehearsal or performance.

Marching Band Google Form

Please complete the following google form in order to be registered for 2023-2024
Marching Band Season

[2023-2024 Marching Band Forms](#)