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Pain is Temporary,
Pride is Everlasting!

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Important Dates

July 16th-Officer Workday 9:00-5:00
July 17th-Officers 10:00-12:00
July 17th-Librarians 9:00-3:00
July 17-19-Drumline and Flagline 8:00-4:00
July 18-19-Rookies and officers 8:00-noon
Any student who has not marched before must attend rookie camp
July 22-26-Full Band Camp 8:00-5:00
July 25th-Band Camp Dance 7:00 pm
July 26th-Parent meeting at 6:00 and Camp performance at 7:00 pm
July 30 and Aug. 1 -2:30-8:30-Flag practice
July 30, Aug. 1st & 5th-Full Band 6:30-8:30

Camp Registration

All students must register for band camp, preferably on the first day they report. There will be a registration table set up outside the band room before 8:00 am
Flagline, Drumline, and officers-July 17th
New Members-July 18th
All Returning members-July 22nd
All forms and fees are due at registration. Please see all enclosed items in the summer mail out.
Check list

- ☐ Payment Worksheet
- ☐ Medical Form
- ☐ Parent Commitment Form
- ☐ Show shirt order form
- ☐ Uniform sizing sheet
- ☐ Shoe order from

From the Director

Parents and Students, I am looking forward to the upcoming marching season with the Titan Regiment. Please look over all the information carefully and check out our report dates. Our show this year is "All That Jazz". We will entertain audiences and impress our judges as we carry on the North Oconee Titan Regiment tradition of excellence. I hope everyone has a great summer and I will see you in July at band camp. Go Titans!

Mr. Smith

From the Booster President

It's that time of year again! The 2019 Titan Regiment Marching Season will soon be upon us and the school will field the largest marching band in its history this year! I cannot think of a better activity for our students to be involved in during their time at North Oconee. It is a privilege to serve as band booster President alongside our hardworking Executive Board. The booster organization exists to support the band program lead by Mr. Smith. Without your assistance in volunteering, our efforts would be nonexistent. In this newsletter and during the coming weeks and months, volunteer opportunities will be made available to you. The pages of this Newsletter show how you can be involved. Our first volunteer opportunity will be during band camp. I encourage you to find a niche not only for this summer but during the fall football season. It is hard work but well worth it. Mr. Smith has carefully crafted a show that will be entertaining as well as competitive. It will once again be a great year for the Titan Regiment! Go Titans!
-Wayne Suggs

Band Camp Staff

Band Director	Scott Smith
Flagline Instructor	Susan Smith
Flagline Instructor	Heather Bragg
Flagline Instructor	Emily Suggs
Flute Instructor	Lindy Thompson
Clarinet Instructor	Scott Ellis
Saxophone Instructor	Stephen Fischer
Mellophone Instructor	Dominic Aquila
Trumpet Instructor	Zach Griffin
Low Winds Instructor	Hunter Hulsey
Low Winds Instructor	Luke Riddle
Percussion Instructor	Chandler Mann
Percussion Instructor	Nathan Tingler

Marching Shoes

All new members will need black marching shoes. Any returning members that need new shoes should order as well. Please see the enclosed order form. Shoe fitting will be on Aug. 5th at 5:30 pm

Marching Uniforms

Uniforms will be issued to all band and flag line members during band camp. Flag line members have been sized already. Band members should return the enclosed sizing form. Here are uniform issue dates:

Seniors and Juniors-7/22

Sophomores-7/23

Freshman-7/24

Uniforms should go home after issue. You will receive care instructions in the band handbook.

Band Camp Dance

We will be having a band camp dance on Thursday, July 25th from 7:00-9:00. We will provide dinner and have a dance in the NOHS commons. We will have a DJ here for fun, games, and dancing. All students should plan to attend.

Please contact Shirley Eddy or Margie Hines to help with this event.

Shirley Eddy-mseddy@att.net

Margie Hines-mhines@oconeeschools.org

The Show

This years show will be "All That Jazz" and will feature music from the jazz style. Music will include Amazing Grace, When the Saints Go Marching In, Alexander's Ragtime Band, Georgia on My Mind, and Sing, Sing, Sing. We are excited to start on our 2019 production!

SPRING TRIP

We will be traveling in the spring of 2020. Planning is under way and information will be available after school starts. You won't want to miss the fun and excitement of the band trip!

BUDGET

It takes a large budget to run a successful band program. This is met through student fees and fundraisers. The budget includes the cost of band camp instructors, new music, new instruments, flagline equipment, marching drill, clinic and festival fees, instrument repair and maintenance, and events such as 8th grade night, Senior Night, and the band banquet. You have already paid a deposit. Amounts are different for band members and flag line, please refer to the information from the spring. Payment is due at Registration.

Band -$200 & Flags-$300

Tips for Band Camp

- Wear comfortable clothes. Shorts and T-shirts. It will be HOT!
- Clothing MUST be appropriate! No spaghetti straps or stomachs showing!
- Wear tennis shoes and socks for ALL outside rehearsals.
- Apply plenty of sunscreen. The rest of the week will be miserable if you get sunburned on the first day!
- Drink plenty of water in the evenings and in the mornings. Your body will need extra fluids this week. Avoid carbonated or energy drinks.
- Eat a good, healthy breakfast every day. Your body will need plenty of fuel for rehearsals. Avoid junk food.
- Bring a good lunch if you do not pre order the band camp meals. Campus is closed for band camp. No one is allowed to leave campus during the day without written permission for extenuating circumstances.
- Remember to practice over the summer break. You will need to be in good playing shape when camp starts.
- Get outside some this summer. Don't let band camp be the first time you are out in the heat.

Spirit wear

We are planning to offer spirit wear online again this year. The online store will be open at the beginning of school. Orders will be delivered by the end of August. The show t shirts can be ordered for parents or other family members with the enclosed order form. All other items will be purchased online (hats, shirts, etc.). The link will be sent out via email and posted on the band website.

Band Camp Volunteers are needed!!!!!!

We need all of our band parents to **volunteer for summer band camp!** If you like to have fun and want to be part of making Band Camp a great success, then we need your help! Our students and staff spend countless hours working hard to put together an entertaining and exciting show every year. One reason our band is so successful is the dedication of band parents. As you can imagine, it takes many people to run a successful marching band program. Our band director can't do it alone. **So we need you!** You can **volunteer** for a one hour, one day, or several days. Rookie camp is July 18 & 19 and Full band camp is July 22 - 26. This is a great opportunity to help the Titan Regiment get off to a great season. **Please get involved, you'll be glad you did!!** Here is a list of opportunities for you to help with during band camp. To sign up to help, go online to sign up genius. **(The link will be emailed and posted on the band website)**

Set up Crew: The band needs you to come early each morning to set up the tents, fill the ice coolers, and fill the water/Gatorade jugs. That's it! Traditionally, the start time has been 7:30 a.m.

Lunch Time Helper: We will need volunteers to help hand out the food at lunchtime to the students. After lunch, wipe down the tables and make sure everything is cleaned-up.

Prepare Fruits & Veggies: We provide fruit and veggies to our hungry teens every day at lunch. Believe it or not, they actually eat them!!! We need volunteers each day bring in a fruit and or veggie dish to accompany the noon meal. Last year the kids ate it all. You simply need to let us know what day and what fruit/veggie you plan on bringing. We will coordinate to make sure we have at least one fruit and one veggie each day. You may drop it off in the morning or by 11:30 am each day.

Band Watchers: Band watchers make sure that the band has water at all times, and pass out freeze pops at break time. We also need you to keep an eye out for any medical issue that may arise, whether it's overheated kids, bee stings, asthma, or just sunburn, and be there with the first aid kit.

Band uniform fitters: 2:30-5:00 on Monday-Thursday of full band camp. **This is a very important job**. These individuals will help make sure that each band member gets a well-fitting uniform & all their uniform items.

Registration: Taking registration forms, fees, and other forms from the students each morning. Making sure students have turned in all forms required and they are filled out correctly.

Freeze Pops, Granola Bars & Prize Donations: If you can't donate your time, why not donate freeze pops, snacks, and prizes? The kids get very hot on the field each day, and they look forward to a nice cool down treat during their morning break. These can be delivered on the first day of camp. It helps tremendously if the freeze pops are already frozen. We try to make things a bit fun with drawings for small prizes: candy, water sprayers, small gift cards - you name it. Anything fun makes the day a little brighter.

Thank you for your help!

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Margie Hines-mhines@oconeeschools.org, 703-431-6731, *1st Vice Presidents*

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT BAND CAMP!

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:

We also need: Away Game chaperones, Home Game concessions workers, Competition chaperones, 8th Grade Night volunteers, and Senior Night volunteers. There will be sign ups available soon.

Concession Stand

The concession stand is one of the band's biggest fundraisers. We need workers for all home football games. We are asking that all parents work at least 1 home game during the season. We will be sending more info out on this soon. For questions about concessions, contact Nicole Rivera at 407-625-5502, nikky3161@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support of the North Oconee High School band program and the Titan Regiment!