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Pain is Temporary,  
Pride is Everlasting!

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#### 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 Pirates!. 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

#### 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. 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

#### Report Dates

July 10th-Officers  
July 11th-Drumline and Flagline  
July 11th-Librarians  
July 12th-New Members  
July 14th- All Members  
July 25, 27, and 31-Flag practice  
July 25, 27, and 31-Band Practice  
August 2nd-First day of school

#### From the Booster President

Ahoy, Titan Regiment, and welcome aboard the pirate ship! 2023-24 promises to be the best year yet for the Titan Regiment. We'll take our fantastic new trailer on the road for its maiden Titan voyage, and we're adding days to band camp to give us a great foundation for performing and competing at the highest levels. Speaking of band camp - our incoming 9th grader families will soon see the scale of this amazing operation and the joy it brings to the kids. The Band Booster club is the main source of support for all that the band does, including volunteer support for band camp. Please get involved - we need your support at band camp, and throughout the season. I would love to meet each and every Titan Regiment family this year, and look forward to working with each of you in a volunteer capacity at some point - please reach out to me or any of the Booster Club officers using the contact information on NOHSband.com and introduce yourself! Have a great school year, and Go Titan Regiment!

Eadaoin Waller, booster president

## Schedule

Specific information will be sent via email and posted on the band website at [nohsband.com](http://nohsband.com)

### July 10-15

July 10th-Officer Workday 9:00-4:00

July 11th-Officers from 10:00-11:30

July 11th-Librarians 9:00-3:00 (bring lunch)

July 11-13-Drumline 8:00-4:00 (bring lunch)

July 11-13-Flagline 8:00-4:00 (at NOHS, lunch provided)

July 12-13-New Brass/Woodwind Members and band officers 8:00-11:30

July 14-15- All Members! 8:00-3:00

### July 17-21

Monday, July 17th -8-5

Tuesday, July 18th -8-8

Wednesday, July 19th-8-4 (9th grade can attend Summer Slam at 4 pm)

Thursday, July 20th-8-8

Friday 8-12- Parent performance at 11:45 am  
**7:00 pm-camp dance (NOHS Commons)**

July 25 and 27-Flag practice-4:00-5:30

July 25, 27, and 31-Full Band (including flags)-  
5:30-8:30

First Day of School-August 2nd

### Regular practice schedule after school starts:

Mondays 3:45-5:45,

Tuesdays 6:30-8:30 (Flagline 5:30-8:30)

Thursdays 3:45-5:45

### Tips for Band Camp

- Wear comfortable clothes. Shorts and T-shirts. It will be HOT.
- Clothing must be appropriate.
- Wear tennis shoes and socks for ALL outside rehearsals.

- Apply plenty of sunscreen. The rest of the week will be miserable if you get sun-burned 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.
- Students MUST bring their own water bottle and should have enough to last for the full practice. We will have coolers to refill if needed. Don't come without water!
- Individually packaged snacks will be available (if needed). Students are also encouraged to bring their own snacks.
- Students should bring a bag or bookbag to hold all personal items, music, and drill cards. Students should also bring a wire music stand with their name on it (if they have one), and a pencil.

### **Band Camp Staff**

Band Director	Scott Smith
Flagline Instructor	Susan Smith
Flagline Instructor	Heather Bragg
Flagline Instructor	Emily Rush
Flute Instructor	Hope Williams
Clarinet Instructors	
	Mir Rowe/Alex Gehring
Saxophone Instructor	Stephen Fischer
Mellophone Instructor	Ethan Etheridge
Trumpet Instructors	
	Cameran Butryn/Greg Gajownik
Low Winds Instructor	Josh Luke
Low Winds Inst.	Raymond Castleberry
Drum Major Instructor	Hunter Hulsey
Percussion Instructor	Jacob Pilz
Percussion Instructor	Henry Pattavina
Percussion Instructor	Miles Bell

### **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. Cost is \$30. Shoe fitting will be on July 31st at 4:30 pm

### **Marching Uniforms**

Uniforms will be issued at band camp. Students will buy their own pants to keep. These will be sized and ordered at band camp. Returning students who ordered pants last year do not need to reorder if they still fit. Cost is \$50. Please make sure to keep track of all uniform parts that are issued and take good care of everything. More specific care information will be in the band handbook. Flag line uniforms will be issued separately.

### **Show**

This years show will be "Pirates". Music will include music from the Pirates of the Caribbean movies. We are excited to start on our 2023 production!

### **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. Students 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. Please see the enclosed payment worksheet to determine the correct amount for your student. Fees can be paid by check or credit card, no cash please. Checks are made out to NOHS band. Please note there is a 3.99% fee for credit card transactions.

### **Spirit wear**

We are planning to offer spirit wear online again this year. The online store will be open at the beginning camp. 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 Meals**

Please see the form about meals at band camp. Lunches will be provided for students on 7/14-7/15 and 7/17-7/20. Dinner on 7/18 and 7/20. Meals can be purchased for \$72 (\$9 per meal) for the 8 meals during camp. If you don't order meals, you should bring your own. We will eat in the cafeteria. Use the link provided to sign up for meals ahead of time, we must place the orders before camp.

### **Band Camp Volunteers are needed!!!!!!**

We need some of our band parents to **volunteer for 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. **So we need you!** You can **volunteer** for one hour, one day, or several days. Band Camp 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)

**Band Watchers:** Band watchers are available if any student needs arise. We need you to keep an eye out for any medical issue that may arise, whether it's overheated kids, bee stings, or just sunburn, and be there with the first aid kit. You may want to bring a chair.

**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.

**Band uniform fitters:** 2:30-5:00 each day 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. No sewing skills necessary.

**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.

**Meal Time Helper:** We will need volunteers to help hand out the food at mealtimes to the students. Afterwards, 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. 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.

**Thank you for your help!**

**Vonae Tanner**-vonaetanner@gmail.com, 678-517-8068

**Katie Chrisohon**-kchrisohon@gmail.com, 770-605-3032

*1<sup>st</sup> Vice Presidents*

### **OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:**

We also need: Pit Crew members, Away Game chaperones, Home Game concession workers, Competition chaperones, 8<sup>th</sup> 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 Ronnie Byrd at patushbrown@gmail.com or Nathan Byrd at nathan.byrd@gmail.com.***

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