

Dear North Oconee and Malcom Bridge Students,

We are very excited about the 2017-18 North Oconee High School Band, and we want to make sure you are a part of it! We are currently planning our fall marching show and must have a firm commitment from each student in order to make our plans. The Titan Regiment Marching band has earned numerous awards, including many best in class and caption awards and several grand championships. Both the marching band and the symphonic band consistently earn superior ratings at competitions and festivals. Students in the band program are strongly encouraged to participate in both the marching band first semester and the symphonic band second semester. In order to do so, they must also be enrolled in a band class in order to participate in performances. Band classes are offered both semesters including an AB option for some students. The marching band practices 3 days a week; Monday & Thursday from 3:45 – 5:30 and Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:30. Regular practice will continue for approximately the first 11 weeks of the school year.

Please see summer band camp information listed below. You MUST attend camp in order to participate in the marching band.

July 11: Officer Workday (9:00-4:00)

July 12-14: Drumline and Flagline (8:00-4:00)

July 13 & July 14: New marchers and officers (8:00-12:00)

July 17-21: Full band camp at North Oconee, everyone attends

July 25, 27, and 31: Band practice (6:30-8:30 pm)

For a full calendar of events, check our website at www.nohsband.com.

BAND FEES for 2017-18 are as follows:

1. \$250 Marching Band Fee- This includes band camp, 2017 band t-shirt, gloves, additional instructional staff, band equipment, contest fees, marching drill, and show music.

The \$250 fee can be divided into 2 payments:

1. \$75 due by May 19th (**non-refundable deposit**)
2. \$175 balance when full band camp starts on July 17th

2. Marching shoes. Marching shoes will be sized and ordered for all new members and for returning members that need to order a new pair. The cost is \$27.

Please fill out the attached commitment form and return immediately to the NOHS or MBMS band room. This form must be filled out by every rising 9th-12th grade band student in order for us to plan for next year. Our marching show will include a spot for all students who sign up. Therefore, **your commitment must be a definite one.** You will be expected to follow through with the marching band for the entire season and class for the entire semester. We will compare the commitment form with what classes you have registered for to make sure they match.

Percussion:

Percussionists will practice and audition for positions on the NOHS Drumline. Auditions will be held in the NOHS band room on May 8, 10, and 11 from 4:00-5:30. All percussion students are guaranteed a spot in the marching band. The audition will determine what instrument each student will play.

Flagline:

Tryouts for the North Oconee Flagline will be May 1-5. This part of our group will be based on these tryouts.

If you have any questions or concerns about band, please contact the director.

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NORTH OCONEE HIGH SCHOOL BAND COMMITMENT FORM

Return this form to the NOHS or MBMS band room ASAP

NAME _____ STUDENT ID NUMBER _____

GRADE NEXT YEAR _____ INSTRUMENT(S) _____

STUDENT CELL _____ STUDENT EMAIL _____

DAD'S NAME _____ CELL _____ EMAIL _____

MOM'S NAME _____ CELL _____ EMAIL _____

HOME PHONE NUMBER _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____ T-SHIRT SIZE _____

Please answer the following questions. We will compare what you have here to what your registration form and schedule look like to make sure everything is correct.

1. Do you plan on participating in marching band next year? Y N
2. Do you plan to take band class every day first semester? Y N
3. Do you plan to take band class every day second semester? Y N
4. Do you plan to A/B band both semesters? (earns 1 credit) Y N

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____