# Vandegrift High School Band

Summer Announcement Sheet No. 1 June 2023

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# **SUMMER BAND!!**

July 19-20, July 24-25, 7-8am Voluntary Workouts! - Band Practice Field July 19-20, 8am-4pm Leadership Training (Leadership team members) July 21, 24-25, 8am-4pm Leadership Workdays (Leadership team members) July 19-21, 24-25, 8am-5pm Percussion Rehearsals (required for all Percussion members) Vision Rehearsals (required for all Vision members) July 19-21, 24-25, 8am-5pm July 22, 8:30-11:00am VHS Band Registration (required for all Band/Vision members) July 26-28, 7am-4pm Summer Band Rehearsals (required for all Band/Vision members) Summer Band Rehearsals (required for all Band/Vision members) July 31-August 4, 7am-4pm August 5, 8am-12pm March-a-thon (required for all Band/Vision members) August 7-11, 7 am-4 pm Summer Band Rehearsals (required for all Band/Vision members) August 8, 7 pm Band Procedures and Band Booster Meeting (required for one parent) Summer Band Rehearsal (required for all Band/Vision members) August 14, 5pm-9pm August 15, 8 am Teacher Appreciation Breakfast (required for all Band/ Vision members) August 15, 9am-12pm Summer Band Rehearsal (required for all Band and Vision members) FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL! August 16 August 17, 3:50-6:20 pm Full Band Rehearsal (required for all Band/Vision members) August 18, 5:30pm End of Summer Band Main Event Party! August 19, 6:30-7:30 pm Steiner Ranch Concert in the Park (required for Woodwind/Brass/Battery) August 25, FOOTBALL Vandegrift vs. Dripping Springs @ Tiger Stadium (AWAY)

# **Band Registration**

Be watching your email for information regarding band registration! Registration will be held on Saturday, July 22 from 8:30-12:30pm.

- Complete Registration Forms The following sections MUST be completed by Band Registration:
  - VHS Band Forms Required https://vhsband.com/forms/
  - Physical Form Required (more information below) <a href="https://vhsband.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/2023-2024-LISD-Physical-Form.pdf">https://vhsband.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/2023-2024-LISD-Physical-Form.pdf</a>
  - Rank One Forms Required Complete online at https://leanderisdfinearts.rankonesport.com/New/NewInstructionsPage.aspx

Our treasurer will be sending out bills in early July so that payments can be made prior to registration.

## Physical (needed for band registration day on July 22)

Every high school band and vision student is required by LISD and UIL to get a physical exam. This must be completed by band registration on July 22.

Must use this form: https://vhsband.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/2023-2024-LISD-Physical-Form.pdf

If you are in between physical visits due to insurance coverage, please see the following information for inexpensive options that our BandAid Team researched:

- Medspring Anderson Mill 11521 Ranch Rd 620 N #100, Austin, TX 78726
  - o \$25 Walk-in for Physicals
- Four Points Family Chiropractic 10815 Ranch Rd 2222 Bldg 3C, Ste 100, Austin, TX 78730
  - \$35 Walk-in (but call ahead to confirm availability)

## **Uniform Fitting Form - URGENT FOR ALL BAND MEMBERS**

If you have not completed this form, please do so TODAY! We have to place orders this week to receive uniform tops and all garments.

https://vhsband.com/forms/uniform-fitting-form/

## **Directory Form - URGENT FOR ALL BAND/VISION MEMBERS**

<sup>\*\*</sup>Students will need to bring a lunch for all Summer Band Rehearsals, Vision Camp, and Percussion Camp Rehearsals. There will be an hour-long lunch during all these rehearsal days.

ALL MEMBERS need to be sure that the directory form is filled out. Please fill out the new directory form ASAP by going to https://vhsband.com/directory/.

#### Voluntary Workouts! - July 19-20 and July 24-25 @ 7:00 AM

Voluntary workouts are a chance for students to come and do some light stretching, jogging and core workouts with the band staff and leadership team. These are not required, but encouraged as a fun introduction to summer band. These are fun, all-inclusive workouts for students at all fitness levels. Please bring a water bottle and proper footwear/workout clothing. These workouts last approximately 45 minutes. Please make plans to attend if you are in town.

#### March-a-thon

HOLD THE DATE: Saturday, August 5 - The VHS Band and Vision will return to the streets of Steiner Ranch to kick off the upcoming marching season. See the link below for more information. We need parent volunteers so if you are interested in helping, please visit: <a href="https://vhsband.com/march-a-thon/">https://vhsband.com/march-a-thon/</a>.

# Band Booster Meeting, August 8 – 7:00pm (Mandatory for at least one parent per student)

At the Band Booster Meeting, we will be discussing medical procedures for students in the VHS Band as well as other necessary information as we move into the marching band season. Because of this, this meeting will be mandatory for at least one parent/guardian per student in the organization.

# **JOIN THE BAND APP!**

All students should join the BAND app for the marching band. Please be sure you have joined the BAND App at <a href="https://band.us/n/aaa69fhcTfE8A">https://band.us/n/aaa69fhcTfE8A</a>

# STUDENT INFORMATION

Expectations prior to Summer Band

**MEMORY WORK.** All Brass and Woodwind players should arrive to Summer Band with Part 1 and 2 of our Show, MEMORIZED. We will begin hearing times for this music individually on the first day of summer band. Preparation of this music will help determine Varsity and Non-Varsity positions. All show music and part assignments can be found by doing the following:

JOIN THE MARCHING BAND GOOGLE CLASSROOM - (Class Code - aec4dvz) https://classroom.google.com/c/NiEzOTI5Nzk1MTE4?cic=aec4dvz

- Join the Google Classroom
- Check your part assignment (listed by band)
- Print all show music

**GO OUTSIDE!!** We will be outside from 7-11am each day of summer band and we WILL BE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE! Get outside now and get used to outdoor activity. Whether this is running, working out, playing basketball, hiking, etc, consistent outdoor activity will REALLY HELP prepare you for summer band. This will help you focus on playing and marching well!

# REQUIRED MATERIALS - All students will be required to have the following items for summer band:

- Athletic shoes (running, cross-training, etc); students will not be able to participate without the correct shoes
- Hat
- Sunglasses
- Loose and comfortably fitting athletic shorts
- LIGHT COLORED comfortably fitting t-shirts
- Water Jug (you will receive this at registration)
  - Students will not be allowed to participate without a FILLED water jug
- Flip Folder with stand tunes
  - o You can purchase this at registration if you are a new band student or if you lost your flip folder)
- <u>NEW FOR 2023 Fanny Pack</u> We will be using an application called UDB for drill learning. This will require access to a cell phone. We will be collecting old cell phones later this summer. More information coming soon!

**MUSIC PRINTING** – <u>ALL MUSIC FOR PRINTING IS ONLINE</u> using the information found above. Please be sure you have the following music printed. As more music is added we will notify students:

- Spotlight Part 1 and Part 2
- School Song

- Fight Song
- Stand Shorts
- ONLY SPOTLIGHT NEEDS TO BE MEMORIZED. Please only focus on the memorization of your show music. All
  other music will be used in your flip folder.

**Staff Responsibilities** – Please see below about which staff member to contact to get the quickest possible response to the listed subject matters.

- Katie VanDoren Calendar, Marching Band, Wind Ensemble, Concert Band 2, Program Administration
  - o <u>katherine.vandoren@leanderisd.org</u>
- Anna Bush Private Lessons, Symphonic Band, Wind Music Coordinator
  - anna.bush@leanderisd.org
- Kyle Norris School Owned Inventory, Lockers, SmartMusic, Region Band, Concert Band 1
  - o <u>kyle.norris@leanderisd.o</u>rg
- **Joe Hobbs –** All things Percussion, Transportation
  - o joe.hobbs@leanderisd.org
- Katie Hopkins All things Vision Dance Company
  - o katie.hopkins@leanderisd.org

**PREPARE!** The more physically and musically prepared you are, the more successful you and the entire group will be. Remember that great individuals and great organizations START STRONG and START FAST.

"One person can make a significant difference, and one small group of determined people can change the course of history." – Sonia Johnson