Stephen F. Austin State University
Middle School Band Camp
June 18-23, 2017
Camp Handbook

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SFASU Band Camps
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All camps are sponsored by and located on the campus of Stephen F. Austin State University. SFASU is located in historic Nacogdoches, Texas, in a setting of natural beauty in the pine forests of East Texas.
About SFASU Band Camps

Description of Camp
The Middle School Band Camp is designed to accommodate band musicians of all levels. This camp is open to students entering grades 7th-8th in the fall of 2017. Whatever the level of proficiency, each camper will have new and fun challenges and opportunities that will increase their abilities, build confidence, and develop good habits and attitudes as musicians.

Staff
Every activity of camp life is supervised and attended by one or more of the following:

1. Camp Faculty— Faculty consists of SFASU professors, administrators, outstanding band directors from across the state, distinguished music educators and performing artists. Together we have more than 70 music professionals that are employed by the SFASU Summer Band Camps, teaching full band, sectionals, master classes, electives and optional private lessons.

2. Resident Assistants—“RA's” trained and certified by the SFASU Housing and Student Life personnel.

3. SFASU Band Camp Counselors—SFASU undergraduate and graduate students, most of whom are studying to become music educators. Our camp directors are Dr. David Campo and Dr. Tamey Anglley

Tuition and Discounts

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- Resident Camp fees include housing, instruction, all meals, t-shirt and evening activities.
- Commuter Camp fees include instruction, all lunches, and t-shirt.
Registration Information

Register online at music.sfasu.edu/bandcamps or by mailing a registration form and payment to:
Stephen F. Austin State University
SFASU Band Camps
P.O. Box 13043 SFA Station
Nacogdoches, TX 75962

Credit cards are not accepted at door.

Refunds and Fees
Refunds will not be given after registration/check in begins.
SFASU has a safety policy that in the event of a lost or broken dorm key a fee of $75 will be assessed. This fee must be paid before leaving camp.

Deposit of $200
Paying the deposit will secure your spot in camp. The remaining payment can be made online, by mail, or at registration, cash or check only! If you would like to take advantage of the early registration discount or fast pass, all payments and waivers must be turned in by their set deadlines.

Early Registration Discount
The band office must have FULL payment and signed waivers postmarked prior to or on May 2nd; any online payment made on or before May 2nd will be the early bird price. Waivers will need to be faxed or emailed to the office if paying online.

Resident Campers - NEW Dorm pass
Allows you to go straight to the Dorm for check in. The office must receive FULL payment and signed waivers postmarked prior to or on May 26th. If paying online, signed waivers must be faxed/emailed or mailed to our office and postmarked prior to or on May 26th. The Dorm pass will only be emailed, please print it out and bring to check in for camp.

Fast pass
Allows you to skip the registration line and go straight into Cole Concert Hall for check in. The office must receive FULL payment and signed waivers postmarked prior to or on May 26th. If paying online, signed waivers must be faxed/emailed or mailed to our office and postmarked prior to or on May 26th. The Fast pass will only be emailed, please print it out and bring to check in for camp.
**Group Rates**  
Schools bringing 10 - 19 students can receive $10.00 off per camper.  
Schools bringing 20 + students can receive $15.00 off per camper.

**Optional Private Lessons**  
Private lessons allow your student to receive personal attention to improve their individual performance skills. Students have the option for one or two lessons, each 30-minutes long, costing $20 per lesson. They will be taught throughout the week of camp by our highly qualified staff. Lessons are paid for at registration with cash or a check made out to **Tau Beta Sigma** with the campers name and instrument indicated on the memo line.  *Students who miss their scheduled lesson time forfeit their lesson fee.*

**Insurance**  
All campers **must** have a signed medical, liability, and photo release form on file. Insurance will cover any accidents that occur while your student is at camp. Minor medical needs are serviced by University Health Services. Parents are called **immediately** if an illness is critical.

**General Information**

**What to Bring to Camp**
- Modest, hot-weather, casual dress for rehearsals and camp activities.
- A light jacket, the buildings can get cool during classes.
- Comfortable shoes, there is a lot of walking.
- Twin size bed sheets, pillow with case, blankets- the dorms get cool at night.
- Toiletries
- Swimsuit
- Sunscreen
- Sunday best for Friday concert (girls: dresses or slacks with a nice top; boys: shirt and slacks).
- Instrument in good working order, CLEARLY labeled with your name and school! Keep track of it at all times! We will have larger instruments available if school owned instrument could not be used.
- Reeds, neck strap, valve oil, slide oil, etc.
- Trumpet and Trombone players bring straight and cup mutes if possible. French horn players should bring a mute if possible. **Label them!**
- Percussionists bring concert snare drum sticks, timpani mallets, xylophone mallets, and marimba mallets. Label all equipment!
• ALL bassoons and oboes need $15.00 for reed making supplies. **Cash preferable, checks made to faculty member TBD.**
• Notebook with paper for your classes.
• Umbrella, rain poncho, rain boots…. **Prepare for the possibility of rain!**
• Snack, if wanted.
• Money for private lessons and snacks.

**Be sure to safeguard all “pocket money” and personal belongings. Initial or label all your personal property.**
“Hoverboards”, skateboards, scooters, Heelys, etc. should be left at home!

SFASU is not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen articles.
Cell phones are to be turned **OFF** during **ALL** classes and rehearsals.

SFASU Band and Drum Major Camps do not tolerate cases of vandalism, fighting, substance abuse, or other violations of camp safety regulations.

**Audition Information**
Campers will audition after they have gone through check in. **EVERY CAMPER MUST GO THROUGH CHECK IN BEFORE AUDITIONING.** Auditions will begin at 1:00 p.m. and should be done by 4:30 p.m. The audition rooms will be listed in the check in helper that will be available on registration day. The band hall, (room 121), and Regents Suite A in the BPSC will serve as warm-up areas.

Specialists on each instrument will hear each individual audition. Based on this audition, each camper will be placed in the ensemble that is best suited for his/her playing ability. Please remember that all of our campers are outstanding musicians and are often the top players from their schools. **Band assignments will not be altered.** Results will be posted at the dorms and throughout the music building as they are received. Campers are encouraged to contact their parents with their band placement and their performance time for the Friday concert.

Audition music will be available at **music.sfasu.edu/bandcamps** when registration opens.
What to Do the First Day of Camp

**Campers with DORM PASS** (see deadlines)
Resident campers that have a dorm pass will report to the assigned dorm (Girls in Kerr Hall and Boys in Griffith Hall) and check-in. They will then proceed to the Wright Building (music) to audition for their band/chair placement and to sign up for optional private lessons.

**Commuters with FAST PASS** (see deadlines)
Commuters with a fast pass will check-in at the Wright music building. There will be two lines forming: one for Fast Passes and another for finalizing payments and/or waivers. Both lines will enter Cole Concert Hall where you will go through a series of tables:
* Nametag/lanyard * Health/Medical * Meal Card * Lessons (optional)

**New Registration/need to make final payment or missed the deadline**
Check-in is held in the Wright music building. Please proceed to the registration check-in line (not fast pass). Both lines will enter Cole Concert Hall where you will go to a series of tables:
* Nametag/lanyard * Dorm (if applicable) * Health/Medical Table * Meal Card * Private lessons (optional)

**All campers must go through check-in before auditioning. You will not be allowed to audition without your camp nametag.**

After your audition you can go to your dorm and unpack. Please attend our information meeting in the music recital hall (room 160) after your audition. These occur every 30 minutes from 2:30-4:00pm. Dinner will begin at 5:00pm. Show the cashier your meal card and they will scan the bar code. After dinner there will be an orientation and your first rehearsal with your band.

**Commuters must attend the orientation and rehearsal**
Classes
The student will participate in an assortment of classes such as master classes, musicianship classes and sectionals. Master classes are divided by instrument and taught by a member of our staff. The students will focus on technique and repertoire that is unique to their instrument. Musicianship class teaches the students basic music history and music theory that they will be able to take home with them. Sectionals are larger instrument groups that focus on helping students learn and perfect their concert music.

Housing –Girls in Kerr Hall, Boys in Griffith Hall.
Campers stay in SFASU residence halls for the duration of their camp. Campers will be separated by gender. They will stay two to a room. Camp counselors stay on the same floor with their assigned campers, and can be easily reached at any time. Though it is not required to request a specific roommate for the duration of camp, students wishing to room together must specify on the online registration, registration form, or at check in. To view a list of our residence halls and learn about your camper’s housing, you may visit http://www.sfasu.edu/reslife/102.asp.

Meals
Resident campers are provided with three meals daily in the university-dining hall. Commuters will eat lunch in the dining halls (included in their fees). There is a wide variety of food served at every meal to accommodate everyone’s tastes. Campers are encouraged to keep healthy snacks in their dorms for after evening activities.

Recreation
Evening activities are an exciting part of the camp experience. These activities may include: swimming, dances, concerts, volleyball, basketball, and Band Camp Olympics, and the practice rooms are always available! Commuters may return after dinner on his or her own and join us for recreation time, speak to your counselor.

Commuters need to be dropped off at the Wright music building between 7:45 a.m. and 8 a.m. We will take roll right at 8am. They will need to be picked up at 5 p.m. at the Wright Building.
Sample Schedule Monday - Thursday
7:00-7:45  Breakfast (Resident campers escorted to dining hall)
8:00-10:00 Full Band Rehearsal
10:00-11:00 Master Class
11:00-12:00 Musicianship
12:00-1:00 Lunch (All campers escorted to dining hall)
1:10-2:30  Full Band Rehearsal
2:30-3:00  Assembly
3:10-4:00  Sectionals
4:10-5:00  Free Time
5:00-6:00  Dinner (Resident campers escorted to dining hall)
6:00-7:00  Attend a concert*
7:00-9:30 Evening Recreation
9:30      Return back to dorms for the night
(*Nightly concerts are put on by faculty and small ensembles.)

Student Performances - Friday
SFASU Band Camps conclude with a concert in Turner Auditorium. Performance times are determined by ensemble placement.

**Subject to change; this was the 2016 Concert Schedule.**
Concert will be held on Friday, June 23th
7th Honors 10:00 a.m.
7th Pine Log 10:30 a.m.
7th Tejas 11:00 p.m.
8th Honors 1:00 p.m.
8th Lumberjack 1:45 p.m.
8th Stone Fort 2:15 p.m.

Each student will have an individual, section, and band photo taken during camp. These photos will be available for purchase in the lobby on Turner Auditorium.

All students will check out of their dorms after their concert performance.