

June 26, 2020

SOHS Marching Band Students and Parents:

I am very excited to announce that we have been given approval to begin band camp on July 13! However, we will be having to make a lot of modifications to our usual band camp procedures and schedule. We have developed a plan that we hope will keep everyone safe while still allowing us to rehearse. Please know that this is still a fluid situation and modifications may need to be made.

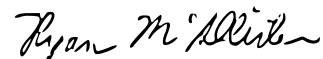
Please look over the revised band camp information closely. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I hope that everyone will still participate, but if you decide not to please let me know ASAP so I can make appropriate drill adjustments. If you have concerns about participation, please feel free to contact me so we can discuss. I want everyone to feel comfortable about participating and have worked hard to make sure we can do so safe and effectively.

This plan is for band camp only. Nothing definite has been planned after that. For right now we will still plan on following the schedule as is after band camp. Adjustments will be made and announced as needed.

I will be holding a virtual meeting via Google Meet on Monday, June 29 at 7:00 pm to go over all this information in more detail and to answer any questions you might have. I encourage parents and students to attend this meeting if you are able. I will send out a link to the meeting via Remind on Monday.

I can't wait to get together again to begin rehearsing! I hope you are excited about this opportunity as well. I look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Ryan McAllister



Band Director
South Oldham High School

2020 REVISED BAND CAMP INFORMATION

Schedule

*Schedule will be the Same for All Sections

Week 1 –

Monday, July 13	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Tuesday, July 14	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Wednesday, July 15	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Thursday, July 16	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Friday, July 17	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Week 2 -

Monday, July 20	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Tuesday, July 21	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Wednesday, July 22	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Thursday, July 23	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Friday, July 24	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Week 3 -

Monday, July 27	8 a.m. – 12 p.m. 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Tuesday, July 28	8 a.m. – 12 p.m. 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Wednesday, July 29	8 a.m. – 12 p.m. 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Thursday, July 30	8 a.m. – 12 p.m. 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Friday, July 31	8 a.m. – 12 p.m. 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

No meals will be provided. Please eat a good breakfast before you come to rehearsal!

Forms

All forms are due by July 8. Please fill out all forms electronically if possible and send to ryan.mcallister@oldham.kyschools.us or if you are unable to do this you can mail them to:

South Oldham High School
Att: Ryan McAllister
5901 Veterans Memorial Parkway
Crestwood, KY 40014

All forms must be turned in before you will be allowed to start participating in camp!

Fees

\$250 – Due by July 13 (first day of camp)

If possible, mail to same address as listed above for forms or bring with you the first day of camp.

This initial fee will be used for band camp expenses and start-up costs. The total season fee is usually \$600. This may be adjusted down if we end up making modifications to the season. Plan for the remainder of the fee (\$350) to be due around August 15, but we will let you know officially in the coming weeks.

Drop-Off/Pick-up

- Students should report directly to their designated areas (not the band room):
 - Woodwinds – practice parking lot side 1
 - Brass – practice parking lot side 2
 - Pit percussion – outside of band room
 - Battery percussion – Veteran’s Park
 - Colorguard – outside school entrance by bus dock
- **No parents or spectators allowed** – parents please wait in your vehicle while you wait for your child to be finished with rehearsal when picking up

Instruments/Equipment

Instruments should be taken home and brought back to rehearsal daily. Instruments cannot be left at the school. The only exceptions are percussion and sousaphones. Colorguard will be assigned equipment on the first day of rehearsal and that should be taken home and brought back during camp.

Health Checks

- Students must go through a Health Check before participating in rehearsal. This includes a temperature check and answering the following questions. Student answers will be documented daily. Any student who answers “yes” to one of the questions will be sent home and should contact the Oldham County Health Department for next steps. Students will alert the band director, who will then alert the school athletic director, about any direction they receive from the Health Department.
 1. Do you currently or have you had a temperature over 100 degrees in the past 48 hours?
 2. Have you had any redness around or drainage from one or both eyes in the past 48 hours?
 3. Have you had a cough, been short of breath, or had difficulty breathing in the past 48 hours?
 4. Have you had any nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea in the past 48 hours?
 5. Have you experienced a decreased sense of smell or taste in the past 48 hours?

- 6. Have you been around anyone who has had a fever, cough, shortness of breath, or who had been suspected of having or diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
- **Students should to do the Health Check at home before coming to rehearsal. A Google form will be sent out via Remind for you to document your question answers and record temperature.**
- Students will rehearse in pods. For the first week pods will be 20 or less and may increase to pods of 50 over the course of camp. You will not be allowed to have contact with people that are not in your pod. Current guideline require that if any member of a pod is diagnosed with COVID-19, all members of that POD will not be allowed to attend rehearsal for 14 days.

Social Distancing

- Social Distancing must be observed at all times. Students should stay 6 feet apart from each other at all times.
- No gatherings of students before or after rehearsal. Students need to go home as soon as rehearsal ends.
- Students are not allowed in the school building except when given permission to retrieve equipment and to use the restroom. Only one student at a time can use the restroom. Disinfecting wipes will be provided and you must disinfect any surfaces you touch as you leave. You must also use provided hand sanitizer before and after exiting the building.
- No sharing of music or equipment. Music should be taken home and brought back each day. No sharing of music stands – everyone will use their own stand.

Clothing

- Wear loose comfortable clothing (clothing must be appropriate and modest)
- Athletic Shoes are required for all marching rehearsals. Sandals, flip-flops, boots, and other non-athletic shoes are not permitted.
- Hat and sunglasses may be worn and are encouraged.

Other Items to Bring

- **Sunscreen!** Please bring and wear an appropriate sunscreen! We will be out in the sun a lot for three weeks. It is important that you protect yourself from the sun.
- **Personal Water Cooler with your name clearly marked on it.** Recommend at least ½ gallon size with handle.
- **3 ring binder with clear page protectors** to keep your music in (guard does not need this).
- **Mask or other face covering** - you are strongly encouraged to wear a face mask when not rehearsing. You may wear a face mask during rehearsal if you choose to.

Attendance

- If you must miss a rehearsal, please notify Mr. McAllister by messaging him through Remind App or emailing ryan.mcallister@oldham.kyschools.us.