

## DPHS MARCHING BAND AND DANCE GUARD HANDBOOK 2017

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**Band Room: P-3**

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**Lozell Henderson:** Percussion and music arranger  
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**Idonrose Orr:** Dance Guard  
**Samantha Patera:** Dance Guard Tech  
**Jon Fernandez:** Music instructor, Marching Tech  
**Edward Park:** Marching Tech  
**Allyse Birken:** Marching Tech

### STUDENT LEADERSHIP

**Drum Major:** Sam Chase  
**Dance Guard Captains:** Karen Almcrantz, Ada Higuera  
**Assistant Drum Major:** Taj Wahab  
**Dance Guard Lieutenant:** Avilah Mullins  
**Drum Captain:** Zane Marquez  
**Pit Captain:** Maggie Dobson  
**Brass Horn Sergeant:** Sid Trilokekar  
**Woodwind Horn Sergeant:** Kevin Herrin  
**Flute Section:** Yao Bi  
**Clarinet Section:** Justin Rasmussen  
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## WELCOME

Welcome to the 2017 season of the Dos Pueblos Marching Chargers! The DP Marching Chargers are a division AA team in the SCSBOA (Southern California School Band & Orchestra Association).

This season, the DP Marching Chargers will learn a James Bond-themed field show. They will perform this field show at competitions and during half-time of all the home football games (except the Homecoming game). DP Marching Chargers will also play the National Anthem and pep music during all home football games (including the Homecoming Game), and the away game at Santa Barbara High School.

All students at DP are required to complete 60 hours of community service before they graduate. Students may use performance time as community service time. Students are responsible for keeping track of their hours and getting their volunteer forms signed off by Mr. Garske at the end of the semester. Performing at football games and the holiday parade counts. Practice, rehearsals, and competitions do not count.

Marching Band students do receive 1 semester's worth of P.E. credit for each semester of Marching Band. A total of 4 semesters of P.E. or equivalent are required for graduation, so your student does not have to take P.E. at all if they choose to do Marching Band all four years at DP.

Students will practice the field show on the softball field for all during the day practices and in the football stadium for Wednesday night practices.

Although we need some parents on the field and behind the scenes with us during competitions, families are welcome to attend competitions as spectators. Spectators need to pay the price of admission (usually around \$15) and they have the option of buying food, apparel, memorabilia, etc.

## PARENT PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

Attend booster meetings – usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. of each month at 6:30pm in the band room

Join the booster board

Donate snacks for band camp week and/or competitions

Chaperone on bus

Supervise at competitions, help push out equipment at showtime

Drive snacks/coolers/props to competitions

Drive truck to competitions, if we need it

Tow trailer...

from JStall to Football Field on Wednesdays before 5pm

from Football Field to JStall after Wednesday practice or on Thursday

to/from competitions

*You should be seeing sign up lists for parent help before each competition. If you don't, contact Irene!*

## DONATIONS APPRECIATED – make checks payable to “DP Band Boosters”

Our cost per student this year is \$666.30 per student + around \$315 for the Las Vegas trip = \$981.30

California law and SBUSD board policies require that the donations used to fund school-related activities be truly voluntary. No student will be excluded from participating in any school-related activities because the student or their parent has not made a donation. Any suggested donation amount is also voluntary. If you choose to make a donation, you can make it any amount you deem appropriate. No donations will be returned to you if your child decides or is unable to participate in the program to which you donated.

## **DP BAND BOOSTERS**

Mailing Address:  
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501(c)(3) Tax ID number: 26-3368456

*Donations made to the DP Band Boosters are tax-deductible.*

The DP Band Boosters is a nonprofit 501c3 organization that supports DP's instrumental music programs (jazz, marching band, concert band, drumline, orchestra) as well as the dance guard and winter guard. As a parent of a music or guard student, you are an automatic member. The booster board meets monthly with Mr. Garske; generally on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm in the band room (P-3). You are welcome to attend the meetings.

The Band Boosters provides financial support for the instrumental music and dance guard programs. Our tentative budget so far has us spending \$76,625.00 this year on what we consider to be operating expenses (excluding out-of-state trips). Our top expenses are spent on coaching and specialists for all instructors except for Mr. Garske (\$40,000), the design of our shows (\$8,700), equipment & instrument purchases (\$7,000), transportation to competitions (\$6,000), and uniforms and uniform reserves (\$6,000).

**Donations and fundraisers are essential to maintain the program.** Please consider making a tax-deductible donation. If one big donation is too much, several smaller donations are welcome. Please participate in fundraisers when you can. We hope to have restaurant fundraisers, music performances (families will be asked to sell tickets) and we will host a Jazz Festival in March. The Jazz festival is our biggest fundraiser of the year and the proceeds benefit ALL the music programs. Even if you don't have a student in a music program in the spring semester, your help, your attendance, and additional ticket sales to your friends and family would be appreciated.

Other Ways to Support Band Boosters:

**eScrip** - This retail program costs you nothing! Register your ATM, credit cards, and phone numbers you use for loyalty programs at [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com). When you get to step 2, "Select your school or nonprofit," choose "Dos Pueblos Band Boosters."

**Scrip** – Purchase scrip (which are gift cards) through the band boosters for your grocery shopping, dining, gas, etc. More details to follow.

**AmazonSmile Program** – Instead of shopping at amazon.com, shop the same site through <https://smile.amazon.com> and select "Dos Pueblos Band Boosters" as your charity. Bookmark the link to make it easy to remember to shop through this link. You will pay the same as if you had shopped through amazon.com, but the difference is that the Band Boosters will receive a percentage.

**Donate Assets** - We can accept in-kind donations or gifts of stock. To discuss this type of donation, please contact us.

**Encourage Corporate Sponsorship** - Talk to your employer or other business contacts encourage them to support us! Many businesses offer matching donations to nonprofit groups.

## UNIFORMS (excluding Dance Guard)

The band will have two sets of uniforms this year, the traditional Charger uniform worn for football games and the Holiday parade, and black tuxedos for both boys and girls for the James Bond field show at competitions.

### Traditional uniform:

The Boosters provides the jacket, high-waist suspender pants and the shako (hat) for each student.

The Boosters will place a group order for black gloves (one pair required, two recommended), black band shirt, and Dinkles formal shoes, paid for by the student. Students may keep their gloves, shirt, and shoes at the end of the season and reuse them the following year.

Uniforms (including gloves and shoes) should not be kept at home - they belong in the band room. Students must remember to wear long black socks (calf length or longer) and their black band shirt on football game days. Keeping an extra pair of black socks with the uniform is recommended.

### Tuxedo Uniform:

The Band Boosters will provide the white shirt, black jacket, and cummerbund. The students will wear the high-waist suspender pants that are a part of the traditional uniform. Students must remember to wear long black socks. Shoes will be the same shoes as the traditional uniform.

The tuxedo will be worn by boys in the Concert Band spring semester.

## INSTRUMENTS/EQUIPMENT

All instruments must be kept in good working order at all times. Silver instruments must be kept polished and gloves must be worn (to prevent tarnishing) at all times, even during rehearsals. Students playing school instruments must be responsible for those instruments as if it were their own. They must be put in the proper case and proper assigned cubby in the instrument room and treated with the utmost care.

**Students are not allowed to trade instruments.** Except for general end of the year maintenance, students will be financially responsible for any repairs incurred from misuse or neglect. **NO STUDENT OTHER THAN GUARD MEMBERS SHOULD BE HANDLING ANY GUARD EQUIPMENT AND THEIR ROOM IS OFF LIMITS TO ALL EXCEPT GUARD MEMBERS.**

## WHAT HAPPENS AFTER CHAMPS (November 18)?

For the brass and woodwind sections, this means no more after school or Wednesday evening practices! Students doing a winter sport can transfer out of Marching Band and into their sport. Students that stay will practice the music for the Holiday Parade and will start to practice Concert Band music during sixth period. Students may take Concert Band as their sixth period class spring semester.

Dance guard continues with Winter Guard during sixth period spring semester.

Drumline is year-round.

## SUMMER REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Rehearsals are required. Please email Mr. Garske of any pre-arranged vacation plans or planned absences so we know who's attending each session - our instructors are designing their sessions based upon FULL PARTICIPATION of all band members - let's work together to respect your summer vacation time and their efforts and the rehearsal process.

Students should bring a refillable water bottle and wear athletic shoes. Shorts or sweatpants are preferred; jeans may restrict marching movement.

**Brass and Woodwinds (aka Hornline)** every Wednesday night, 5:30-8:30, June 21 thru August 16.

**Percussion Battery (snare, tenor, bass)** every Wednesday night, 5:30-8:30 June 21 thru August 16.

**Percussion Front Ensemble (mallets, electronics, auxiliary percussion)** every Wednesday night, 5:30-8:30, June 21 thru August 16.

**Dance Guard** every Monday and Wednesday, 5:30-8:30pm, June 19<sup>th</sup> - July 26<sup>th</sup>.

**NO REHEARSAL June 28** - All band and guard members are encouraged to watch World Champion Blue Devils Drum and Bugle Corps rehearsals, clinics, and performance at San Marcos June 28.

**NO EVENING REHEARSAL** the week of band camp. (Evening rehearsals resume the following week.)

## BAND CAMP

**Band camp is Monday, August 7 through Friday, August 11. Band camp attendance is mandatory.**

Students should wear sunscreen, a hat, athletic shoes, shorts or sweatpants (jeans are discouraged). They should bring a reusable water bottle, a lunch, and sunscreen.

**Monday, August 7- Thursday, August 10, 9AM-5:30PM:** morning block from 9-12:30, lunch from 12:30-1:30, afternoon block from 1:30-5:30, appropriate breaks for water, bathroom, and stretching will be worked into each block. No evening practice on Wednesday, August 9.

**Thursday, August 10** - Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will be excused to go to Charger Check-in during their time slot. Please make sure that they bring any forms needed that day.

### **August 11**

**9:00 AM – 4:00 PM camp**

**5:30 PM call time** Students should wear white t-shirt & black or dark shorts and athletic shoes.

**5:30-5:50 PM** Parents can drop off potluck items on the tables outside of the band room, facing the Greek Theater.

**6:00 PM** Performance for family in the softball field.

**6:30 PM** Family potluck in the Greek Theater.

## FALL SEMESTER REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Mondays – Students released at normal 3:00 PM time.

Tuesdays – Students released at 4:30 PM.

Wednesdays – 5:30-8:30 PM evening practice. (Because of block schedule, marching band does not meet during the school day on Wednesday.)

Wednesday evening practices are important because that is our only time to practice in the stadium.

**PARENTS: PLEASE SCHEDULE MEDICAL AND DENTAL APPOINTMENTS ON WEDNESDAYS WHEN BAND DOES NOT MEET DURING THE DAY- IN LOSING A DAY A WEEK BECAUSE OF THE MODIFIED BLOCK, EACH REHEARSAL BECOMES THAT MUCH MORE CRITICAL.**

Thursdays – Students released at 4:30 PM.

Thursday, September 28 – Students released at 3:00pm for home football game. Call time 5:30pm.

Fridays, no football game – Students released at 4:30 PM

Fridays, home football game days (Schedule below.) Students released at 3:00 PM. Call time is 5:30pm.

Friday, October 27 – Away game at SBHS. Students released at 3:00 PM. Call time at DP is 6:00pm. (We will take a bus.)

## INSTRUCTOR SCHEDULE

Lozell: Monday, Wednesday evenings Thursday, Friday

Vincent: Tuesday, Wednesday evenings, Thursday, Friday

Idonarose and/or Samantha: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday evenings, Thursday, Friday

Jon: Monday, Wednesday evenings, and Thursday

## FIELD SHOW COMPETITION SCHEDULE

**Exact times for these dates is TBA, but please block off these days on your calendars. I am hoping many family members and friends will attend comps to cheer the band on!**

- Oct. 20-22 Fri-Sun LAS VEGAS CLARK HS BAND COMP/BLUE MAN GROUP SHOW
- Oct. 28 Saturday (All day, TBA) SIMI VALLEY BAND COMP
- Nov. 4 Saturday (am-pm TBA) OXNARD BAND COMP (early return, Homecoming Dance)
- Nov. 9 Thursday (leave Period 6) VALENCIA (by Magic Mountain) BAND COMP (*Next day school holiday*)
- Nov.11 Saturday (All day, TBA) MOORPARK BAND COMP
- **11/18/17 Championships** Location TBA

## HOME FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Aug.25	Friday	5:30	Home Football Game, San Juan Hills
Sept.1	Friday	5:30	Home Football Game, Cabrillo
Sept.28	Thursday	5:30	Home Football Game, Hueneme
Oct.6	Friday	5:30	Home Football Game, Ventura
Oct.27	Friday	6:00	Away Game, Full Band, Santa Barbara HS
Nov.3	Friday	5:30	Home Football Game, San Marcos, Homecoming

**END OF THE SEASON COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE/FUNDRAISER: TBA**

**DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY PARADE:** Friday, Dec. 1, 2017

**DP JAZZ FESTIVAL:** Sat, March 3, 2018 (Proceeds benefit all music programs.)

**POTLUCK & END OF THE YEAR BANQUET:** May ??, 2018 (Date TBA)

## **LAS VEGAS COMPETITION**

Dates are October 20-22, 2017. Students and chaperones will ride on the Santa Barbara Airbus. We will need a parent to drive their heavy-duty truck to tow the trailer. We will stay in the Excalibur. We plan to see Blue Man Group.

This is a mandatory competition, as all students are needed for the field show. The cost per student is estimated to be \$315. Families can donate all or part of the money or fundraise. Families donating can simply write a check - The advantage is that the Boosters will get 100% of the income.

We also have a GoFundMe campaign to raise funds. Although we will pay an 8% service fee, the advantage is that we can spread the word on social media and encourage relatives and friends to donate easily online with the link. The link is <https://www.gofundme.com/dphsband>

Students may also need to bring cash for meals and snacks. More details to follow.

# 2017-18 Instrumental Music Community Service Log

DATE	EVENT	NUMBER OF HOURS

Total Hours: \_\_\_\_\_