

6-1-2025

Greetings from the Band Office,

I trust this email will find you all well, having enjoyed some time to recharge after final exams, juries, graduation, etc.! The band faculty and staff are hard at work preparing to welcome the 2025 edition of the Cowboy Marching Band to campus.

Returning to the faculty and staff for 2025 are Dr. Bradley Genevro (Director of Bands), Professor Allan Goodwin (Director of Athletic Bands), Wayne Bovenschen (Director of Percussion), Tori Williamson (Color Guard Instructor), and Aly Akers (Twirling Coach). Dianne Holba will be holding things together again in the Band Office, and we add three new graduate students to our two returning GTAs. Mason Martinez (Band TA) and Caleb Tonini (Percussion TA) return for 2025, and we welcome Tia Chernow (Band TA), Ashlynn Canler (Band TA) and Gabe Cowles (Tuba/Band TA) to the staff. Music arranging will be in the hands of Prof. Goodwin and Prof. Bovenschen again in 2025 and we welcome Willie Veenstra, Visual Caption Coordinator for The Bluecoats, as our new drill designer.

We are 10 weeks from the opening of camp. As you prepare for move-in and the start of a new semester, please carefully review the information below, which will assist you in navigating through our pre-season camp and prepare you for all the materials you will need for ultimate success this Fall. This packet includes some very important information, and it is critical that you take the time to carefully read the enclosed materials.

Should you need additional information or have any questions, please contact us using the information below. The faculty and staff eagerly await the opportunity to make music with you and further our wonderful tradition of performance excellence! Enjoy your summer, stay safe, and I look forward to a great year and to seeing you soon!!!

Go Pokes!

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- Be sure to join our "Cowboy Marching Band 2025" group on BAND -The App for All Groups. (available free on the Apple App Store and Google Play Store)
- Use your full first and last name in addition to your photo when joining.





Oklahoma State University COWBOY MARCHING BAND

Pre-Season Camp Schedule 2025

A detailed daily camp schedule will be distributed in the coming weeks. What you see below is specific for move-in through the first weekend of camp.

Tuesday, August 5th

9:00 AM-12:00 PM Various Locations Residence Hall Move-in (twirlers) 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Residence Hall Move-in (drumline) Various Locations

NOTE: the specific schedule for percussion will come from Professor Bovenschen and the twirler schedule will come from Ms. Akers.

Thursday, August 7th

9:00 AM-12:00 PM Student Leadership Retreat (Winds/Guard) **GSM 108** 1:30-4:30 PM Student Leadership Retreat (Winds/Guard) **GSM 108**

Friday, August 8th

9:00 AM-12:00 PM Residence Hall Move-in (winds/guard) Various Locations 10:00 AM-12:00 PM Percussion Uniform Fitting GSM (TBD) 2:00 PM New Member Check-in/Sizing McKnight Center Lobby Seretean Center

Returning Member Instrument Check-out Returning Member Check-in/Sizing 4:00 PM

New Member Instrument Check-out

Dinner Break (all members)

7:00 PM-9:00 PM Opening Meeting for all members

Drumline Performance

Saturday, August 9th

6:00 PM

8:00 AM-9:30 AM 10:00 AM-11:30 AM 11:30 AM 1:00 PM-2:30 PM Handbook Walkthrough (brass/guard)

GSM 108 Leadership Staff Meeting

CMB History and Traditions (all members) **Student Center Theater** Lunch Provided by OSU Athletics Student Center Theater Student Center Theater

McKnight Center Lobby

Student Center Theater

Seretean Center

Music Sectionals (flutes) **GSM 110** Music Sectionals (clarinets) **GSM 101** Music Sectionals (alto saxophones) **GSM 108**

Music Sectionals (tenor saxophone) **GSM 319**

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Saturday, August 9th (continued)

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4:00 PM-5:30 PM	Handbook Walkthrough (wws/perc)	Student Center Theater
	Music Sectionals (trumpets)	GSM 108
	Music Sectionals (mellophones)	GSM 110
	Music Sectionals (trombones)	GSM 101
	Music Sectionals (baritones)	GSM 319
	Music Sectionals (tubas)	SCPA Concert Hall
5:30 PM-10:30 PM	DCI Watch Party	GSM 108
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Sunday, August 10th

Morning	KKΨ/TBΣ Uniform Fitting	Seretean Center (TBD)
12:00 PM-1:30 PM	Music Sectionals (alto saxes)	GSM 101
	Music Sectionals (tenor saxes)	GSM 319
	Music Sectionals (mellophones)	GSM 110
	Reading the Grid (flutes/clarinets)	GSM 108
2:00 PM-2:30 PM	Music Sectionals (flutes)	GSM 101
	Music Sectionals (clarinets)	GSM 110
	Reading the Grid (mellos/saxes)	GSM 108
4:00 PM-5:30 PM	Music Sectionals (trombones)	GSM 101
	Music Sectionals (tubas)	GSM 110
	Music Sectionals (baritones)	GSM 319
	Reading the Grid (trumpets)	GSM 108
7:00 PM-8:30 PM	Music Sectionals (trumpets)	GSM 101/319
	Reading the Grid (trombones)	GSM 108
	Reading the Grid (baritones/tubas)	GSM 101

NOTE: In off periods from sectionals and classroom sessions, uniform fittings will be ongoing. That schedule will be released when camp opens. Use your spare time wisely on individual practice time or any dorm/apartment needs.

Monday, August 11th – Thursday, August 14th

New for 2025 is a rotation of 90 minutes on and 30 minutes off (Monday-Thursday of camp) including 90 minutes off for both lunch and dinner. The schedule shell is below.

•	8:00 AM-9:30 AM	Rotation 1
•	10:00 AM-11:30 AM	Rotation 2
•	11:30 AM-1:00 PM	Lunch Break
•	1:00 PM-2:30 PM	Rotation 3
•	3:00PM-4:30 PM	Rotation 4
•	4:30 PM-6:00 PM	Dinner Break
•	6:00 PM-7:30 PM	Rotation 5

Rotations will include:

- Sectionals (GSM)
- Marching Fundamentals (Hedge Field)
- Run-On Technique (Colvin Lower Deck)
- Classroom Sessions (GSM)
- Choirs (high brass, low brass, wws, percussion Outside).

As the week progresses, morning/evenings will give way to drill/music rehearsal at Hedge Field.

Friday, August 15th

8:30 AM-11:30 AM Marching Rehearsal (with equipment) Hedge Field

11:30 AM Lunch Break

1:00 PM Music Sectionals Seretean/GSM

2:00 PM Music Rehearsal (full ensemble) Seretean Concert Hall

3:30 PM Break

6:00 PM Warm Up TBD

(Nike Shorts/T-Shirt)

7:00 PM CMB Preview Performance Gallagher-Iba Arena (GIA)

7:45 PM CMB Picnic TBD

Sponsored by Alumni Band Association

NOTE: Please take note of the schedule and dress for the today's event.

This is the first public performance of the 2025-2026 edition of the Cowboy Marching Band!

Saturday, August 16th

Off Day - No Activities

Sunday, August 17th

5:30 PMWarm UpBoone Pickens Stadium6:00 PMPregame Run-throughBoone Pickens Stadium6:45 PMSetup for Class of 2028 PhotoBoone Pickens Stadium7:00 PMClass of 2028 Joins CMBBoone Pickens Stadium

7:15 PM Photo

7:20 PM Traditions Demonstration Boone Pickens Stadium

TrilogyRock-n-RollAlma Mater

Performance of Pregame Show

8:00 PM Final Announcements 8:15 PM **Camp Dismissed!!!**

(time is approximate and based on the actual time necessary for the photo)

Monday, August 18th (1st Day of Fall Classes)

3:45 PM-5:45 PM Full Band Rehearsal Hedge Field

Wednesday, August 20th

3:45 PM-5:45 PM Full Band Rehearsal Grass Practice Field

Evening Time TBA Full Band Pregame Dress Rehearsal Boone Pickens Stadium

Nike Shorts/T-Shirt/Marching Shoes/

Cowboy Hats

Friday, August 23rd

3:45 PM-5:45 PM Full Band Rehearsal Grass Practice Field

Residence Hall Information

For those living in campus housing, members of the CMB have been afforded a specific move-in window from the Housing and Residential Life office. The move-in windows are fixed. Please make arrangements to move in per the schedule from their office. If you have not yet contacted their office to sign up to move in on your assigned day (Tuesday, August 5th [percussion and twirlers] 9:00 AM-12:00 PM) (Friday, August 8th [brass, woodwinds and guard] 9:00 AM-12:00 PM), please do so as soon as you read this. You may contact their office using the information below:

Amanda Smith

Administrative Support Specialist Housing and Residential Life 405.744.8511 amanda.smith15@okstate.edu

There will be members of the CMB at each residence hall service desk to greet you along with the Housing and Residential Life staff. We look forward to welcoming you to campus!

Marching Band Registration

New and returning members must complete registration items (demographic information, game-day meals, apparel, sizing, etc.) before arriving on campus. The link to that form is below. If you have not finished this step, please take care of completing the form as soon as you read this! The deadline for completion is July 1st.

https://forms.gle/6oSrd5tKAPwXEbBx7

Enrollment

All members of the Cowboy Marching Band must be enrolled in order to participate. 1st and 2nd year students should enroll in MUSI 2610. 3rd and 4th year students (and above) should enroll in MUSI 3610. Please notify the band office should a course conflict arise. These will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Concert Ensemble Auditions

All are encouraged to audition to be part of one of the three Fall Concert Ensembles (Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band). Audition music will be available July 1st on the OSU Band's website (see link below – this page will be updated July 1st).

https://cas.okstate.edu/music/bands/band_auditions.html

Camp Conflicts

A successful camp is the basis for a successful season. All members of the CMB are expected to be in attendance for the entirety of pre-season camp. Any conflicts or potential absences will be considered on a case-by-case basis and must be approved by the CMB director prior to the start of camp. **Work is not considered an excuse for missing camp.** Greek organization conflicts need to be addressed to the camp director as early in the process as possible. Those on drum corps tour will be expected on Campus as early as possible on Monday, August 11th. This has historically provided drum corps members sufficient time to return to campus.

New Members

New members of the Cowboy Marching Band should have completed a live or video audition and received communication from the Greenwood School of Music. If you have not received this communication, you can contact Monica Santillan (Auditions Coordinator) to check on your acceptance status. If you have not completed an audition, please contact the Auditions Coordinator for more information (it's not too late!).

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THANKS FOR READING AND GO POKES!

