



# MARCHING PIRATES

## 2023 PRESEASON BAND CAMP GUIDE

Dear members of the ECU Marching Pirates,

The East Carolina University community is excited to welcome our new and returning members to the 2023 ECU Marching Pirates family. As the director of this great organization, I am excited for you to join us! Our journey starts with YOU. We are going to have a great season full of hard work, wonderful memories, and lots of fun.

**All students will check-in together, and our band camp responsibilities will commence in unison. Our schedule helps to create space at the end of the week for all students to better prepare for the start of their fall semester courses:**

Friday, August 11 (All Students Arrive)	
9 a.m.	Check-In begins for all members of the 2023 ECU Marching Pirates at AJ Fletcher Music Center
4:30 p.m.	Check-In concludes

\*Please note: Early move-in for on-campus residents (new and returning members) will take place during your assigned check-in times. It is essential that you arrive and check-in during your assigned times to ensure that the NSOs are not overwhelmed, which may cause delays. The housing staff will only be available for early move-in during these times.

Make sure you are subscribed to Remind101 (brass: @mpbrass; woodwinds: @mpww2023; all others: @mpaux), like our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/ECUMP>), follow us on Twitter (@ECUBAND) and Instagram (@marchingpirates). New content is shared often, and it is a great way to keep your family connected to the Marching Pirates. Please feel free to contact me by email ([busuitoj20@ecu.edu](mailto:busuitoj20@ecu.edu)) or call my office at (252) 328-6982.

Have a great summer, stay safe, and GO PIRATES! WELCOME HOME!

Dr. James J. Busuito  
Associate Director of Bands and  
Director of the ECU Marching Pirates

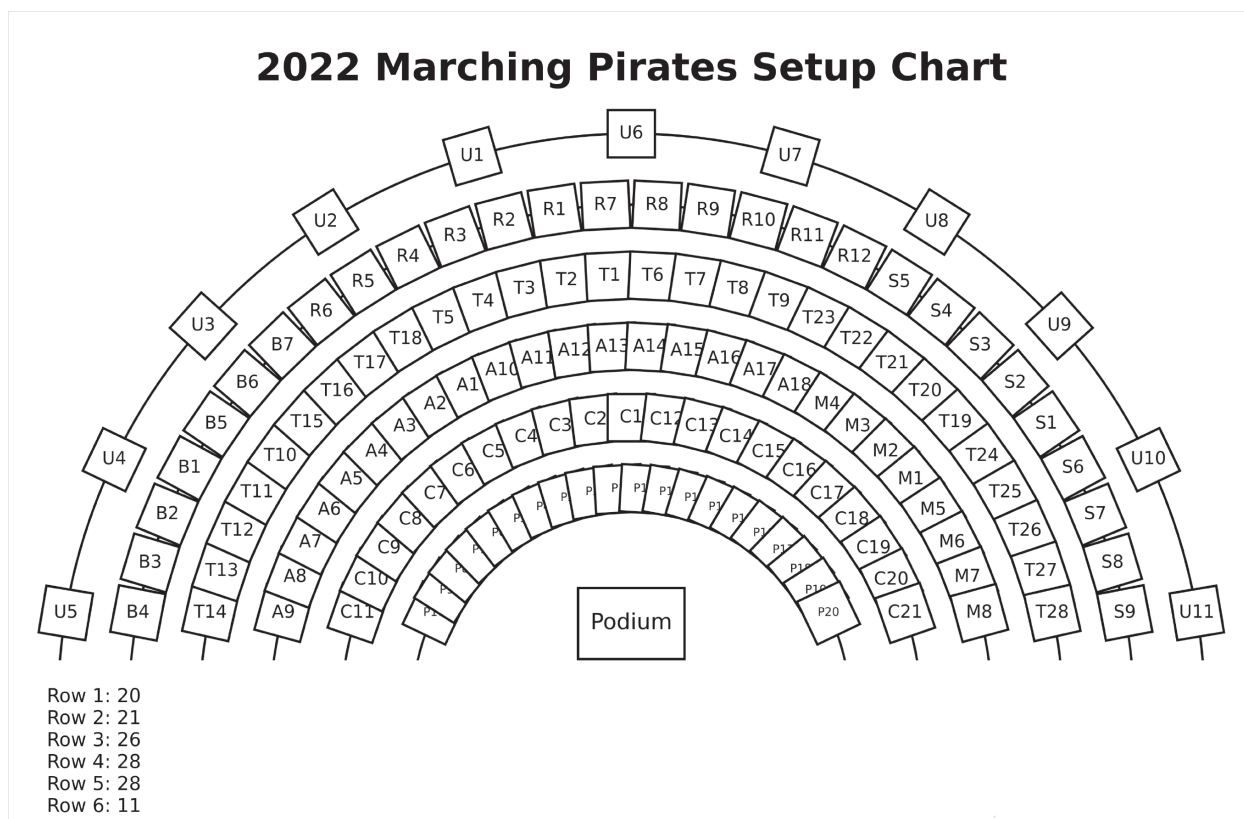
# PRESEASON BAND CAMP SCHEDULE

Updated May 24, 2023 – This schedule is subject to change

## Sectional Room Assignments

- Recital Hall – Drumline
- B110 – Sousaphones
- B105 – Clarinets
- B136 – Trumpets
- 200 – Piccolos
- 216 – Alto Saxes
- 265 – Tenor Saxes/Baritones
- 305 – Mellophones
- 306 – Trombones

## Concert Arcs (for all rehearsals)



**ALL SECTIONS of the Marching Pirates (winds, brass, colorguard, and drumline) will follow this schedule. Specific locations will be TBD. Additional sectionals may be called by instructors or section leaders.**

### Thursday, August 10

- 3 p.m. Meeting with ECU Marching Pirates' student leadership team to go over band camp, practice entry
- 4 p.m. **Uniform distribution for student leadership team**

### Friday, August 11 (All students arrive)

- 9 a.m. Check-In for all students begins
- 4 p.m. Meeting for parents in the **Recital Hall**
- 4:30 p.m. Check-In for all students concludes
- 6 p.m. Marching Pirates full welcome meeting in the **Recital Hall**
- 7 p.m. Music rehearsal: winds in **B110**; percussion in **Recital Hall**; colorguard at the practice field

Music to be covered: Fundamentals Routine  
 Pregame (Fanfare, EC Victory, Here's to the Pirates, National Anthem, Alma Mater)

8:30 p.m. Rehearsal concludes

**Saturday, August 12 -**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast on your own (no on-campus meal options)  
 8:50 a.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 9:00 a.m. Begin stretch  
 9:15 a.m. Setup basics block  
 9:20 a.m. Skills to be learned: Stationary positions: carriage, horns up, horns down  
 First step forward; initiation  
 Eight-to-five step forward  
 First step forward  
 Eight-to-five step backward  
 Slides

11:30 a.m. Break for lunch on your own (no on-campus meal options)  
 12:50 p.m. Report to **sectional rooms (see above)**

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1 p.m. Begin sectionals  
 Music to be covered: Fundamentals routine  
 Fanfare  
 EC Victory  
 Here's to the Pirates  
 National Anthem  
 ECU Stand Tunes

2:20 p.m. All transition to **B110**  
 2:30 p.m. Begin UDB Orientation  
 3 p.m. Begin music rehearsal  
 4 p.m. Break for dinner with your section  
 5:50 p.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 6 p.m. Setup chart 1 of pregame w/o instrument; learn pregame drill (8 sets)  
 8 p.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 8:30 p.m. Rehearsal concludes

**Sunday, August 13 -**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast on your own (no on-campus meal options)  
 8:50 a.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 9 a.m. Begin stretch  
 9:15 a.m. Setup basics block  
 9:20 a.m. Skills to be reviewed: Stationary positions: carriage, horns up, horns down  
 First step forward; initiation  
 Eight-to-five step forward and close technique  
 First step forward  
 Eight-to-five step backward  
 Slides  
 New: direction changes (forward-to back, back-to-forward, box drill)

11 a.m. Set-to-set review of Pregame  
 11:30 a.m. Break for lunch on your own (no on-campus meal options)  
 12:50 p.m. Report to **sectional rooms (see above)**  
 1 p.m. Begin sectionals  
 Music to be covered: Fundamentals routine  
 Fanfare  
 EC Victory  
 Here's to the Pirates  
 National Anthem  
 ECU Stand Tunes

2:20 p.m. All transition to **B110**

2:30 p.m. Begin music rehearsal  
 4 p.m. Break for dinner with your section  
 5:50 p.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 6 p.m. Setup chart 1 of pregame w/ instrument; add music to pregame  
 8 p.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 8:30 p.m. Rehearsal concludes  
 8:45 p.m. **Uniform distribution for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>-year members**

**Monday, August 14 -**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast on your own (Todd Dining Hall opens for meal plans)  
 8:50 a.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 9 a.m. Begin stretch  
 9:15 a.m. Setup basics block  
 9:20 a.m. Skills to be reviewed: Stationary positions: carriage, horns up, horns down  
 First step forward; initiation  
 Eight-to-five step forward and close technique  
 First step forward  
 Eight-to-five step backward  
 Slides  
 direction changes (forward-to back, back-to-forward, box drill)  
 10 a.m. Set-to-set review of Pregame  
 10:30 a.m. Begin learning halftime show 1: "Magic"  
 11:30 a.m. Break for lunch on your own  
 12:50 p.m. Report to **sectional rooms (see above)**  
 1 p.m. Begin sectionals  
 Music to be covered: Fundamentals routine  
 Review pregame and stand tunes  
 Focus on parts 1 and 2 of halftime show 1  
 2:20 p.m. All transition to **B110**  
 2:30 p.m. Begin music rehearsal  
 4 p.m. Break for dinner with your section  
 5:50 p.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 6 p.m. Add music to drill for pregame  
 7 p.m. Continue learning drill for halftime show 1  
 8 p.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 8:30 p.m. Rehearsal concludes  
 8:45 p.m. **Uniform distribution for 3<sup>rd</sup>-year members**

**Tuesday, August 15 -**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast on your own  
 8:50 a.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 9 a.m. Begin stretch  
 9:15 a.m. Setup basics block  
 9:20 a.m. Skills to be reviewed: Stationary positions: carriage, horns up, horns down  
 First step forward; initiation  
 Eight-to-five step forward and close technique  
 First step forward  
 Eight-to-five step backward  
 Slides  
 direction changes (forward-to back, back-to-forward, box drill)  
 10 a.m. Set-to-set review of Pregame w/ instruments  
 10:30 a.m. Finish learning show 1  
 11:30 a.m. Break for lunch on your own  
 12:50 p.m. Report to **sectional rooms (see above)**  
 1 p.m. Begin sectionals  
 Music to be covered: Fundamentals routine  
 Review pregame and stand tunes  
 Focus on parts 3 and 4 of halftime show 1  
 2:20 p.m. All transition to **B110**

2:30 p.m. Begin music rehearsal  
 4 p.m. Break for dinner with your section  
 5:50 p.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 6 p.m. Setup chart 1 of halftime w/ instrument; add music to show 1  
 8 p.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 8:30 p.m. Rehearsal concludes

**Wednesday, August 16 (last full day of band camp) - No Quarter Day (wear red)**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast on your own  
 9 a.m. Marching rehearsal at **College Hill Field**  
 Skills to be learned: Review pregame w/ music  
 Complete show 1; add music  
 11:10 a.m. Be the Match presentation  
 11:30 a.m. Break for Lunch  
 1 p.m. Sectionals for all members  
 Music to be covered: Fundamentals routine  
 Review pregame and stand tunes  
 Review show 1 music, all parts  
 2:20 p.m. Transition to **B110**  
 2:30 p.m. Music Rehearsal for all members (**B110**)  
 4 p.m. Break for Dinner  
 5:50 p.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**  
 6 p.m. Winds warm up in concert arcs  
 6:15 p.m. All setup chart 1, halftime show 1 w/ instruments; music and drill  
 8 p.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 8:30 p.m. Done for the evening  
 Uniform Distribution for **2<sup>nd</sup>-year members**

**Thursday, August 17 - *Coordinate with your section!***

9 a.m. Marching rehearsal at **College Hill Field**  
 11 a.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 11:30 a.m. Done for the Done for the day  
 1 p.m. Colorguard/Drumline sectionals, location TBD  
 Uniform Distribution for **1<sup>st</sup>-year brass and drumline members**  
 4:30 p.m. Done for the day

**Friday, August 18 - EVERY Friday is PAINT IT PURPLE!!!**

9 a.m. Marching rehearsal at **College Hill Field**  
 11 a.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 11:30 a.m. Done for the Done for the day  
 1 p.m. Colorguard/Drumline sectionals, location TBD  
 Uniform Distribution for **1<sup>st</sup>-year woodwind members**  
 4:30 p.m. Done for the day

**Saturday, August 19**

9 a.m. Marching rehearsal at **College Hill Field**  
 11 a.m. Stand tunes rehearsal  
 11:30 a.m. Done for the Done for the day  
 1 p.m. Colorguard/Drumline sectionals, location TBD  
 Uniform Distribution for **all remaining remembers**  
 4:30 p.m. Done for the day

**Sunday, August 20**

4 p.m. Student leaders arrive at **Minges Coliseum** with instruments (uniform TBD)  
 4:30 p.m. Rest of Marching Pirates arrive at **Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium**, no instruments  
 Black athletic shorts, gold t-shirt, ball cap  
**2023 New Student Convocation** (Student leaders, gates TBD)

March in two lines  
Run-on  
Fanfare  
EC Victory w/ go cheer  
4:45 Alma Mater  
EC Victory w/ go cheer  
Cadence over to Dowdy-Ficklen  
4:45 p.m. Set up "State of Mind" logo for class photo  
5:15 p.m. Band dismissed

**Monday, August 21**

First Day of Classes

3:45 p.m. Arrive at **College Hill Practice Field**; stretch, warm-up, tune  
3:55 p.m. Setup where the schedule says  
4 p.m. Begin rehearsal  
5:45 p.m. Announcements; alma mater  
5:50 p.m. Band dismissed

## ENSURING YOU ARE A MEMBER

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### **Class Registration**

All students participating in the ECU Marching Pirates must be registered for the class no later than August 1, 2023.

*MUSC 1705-001; CRN: 80103 for all undergraduate non-music majors*

*MUSC 1706-001; CRN: 80104 for all undergraduate music majors*

*MUSC 6705-001 for all graduate students regardless of major*

### **Preseason Band Camp**

All members of the Marching Pirates **must attend the entirety of preseason band camp**. In addition to registering for the class, all members must register for Preseason Band Camp by submitting the “Band Camp Registration Form” (<https://marchingpirates.org/band-camp-registration>) by **August 1, 2023**.

### **Part Placement and Auditions**

Each performance element of the Marching Pirates has different requirements that relate to their participation in the band. There are no auditions *per se* to be a woodwind or brass player in the Marching Pirates, though part assignments are made based on 1. instrumentation needs and 2. your playing ability. The drumline has limited membership due to the availability of equipment. The colorguard has a skills assessment that will help determine which equipment and staging will work best for you. See below for more details.

#### Brass & Woodwind

Brass and Woodwind sections may have to participate in a part placement test during band camp during their first sectional. The part placement test will consist of three MEMORIZED prepared pieces: *EC Victory*, *Here's to the Pirates*, and *Star Spangled Banner*). The prepared pieces are available for download by visiting the [Marching Pirates Virtual Library](#). The only way to have access to this material is by registering for band camp. Results of this audition will determine your placement in the ECU Marching Pirates. These materials will be available no later than July 1, 2023, and an e-mail will be sent to each member already registered notifying them how to access the materials.

#### Drumline

The ECU Marching Pirates Drumline is the rhythmic force behind the ECU Marching Pirates. The ensemble consists of up to 7 snares, 5 tenors, 6 basses, and 8 cymbals, and includes students from many different majors, many of which are not music majors.

Auditions will take place on August 12 and 13, the first two full days of Preseason Band Camp. We will have group drumming auditions, to determine prospective members eligible for the final call back auditions. These final auditions will take place on Monday, August 14, and be one individual at a time. Everyone will be asked to play 2 to 3 pieces of the required audition packet material along with a sight-reading excerpt. The results will be announced after everyone has had an opportunity to audition. All members are encouraged to audition on more than one instrument, to provide flexibility in placement, and set them up for success.

More information can be found at the ECU Marching Pirates Drumline website ([www.marchingpirates.org/drumline](http://www.marchingpirates.org/drumline)), and any specific questions can be directed to Jarrod Light at [light.jarrod@gmail.com](mailto:light.jarrod@gmail.com).

### Colorguard

There is no limit to the size of the ECU Marching Pirates Colorguard, though a skills assessment at the start of camp will help us identify the strengths of each student and help us place them on the appropriate equipment. The skills assessment will take place on August 12-13, which will help determine the equipment. Information about auditions can be found at [www.marchingpirates.org/colorguard](http://www.marchingpirates.org/colorguard) and under the auxiliaries tab.

For their skills assessment, colorguard members will be expected to demonstrate their proficiency with drop spins, pull hit, crazy eights/stirs, double, forty-fives. For more information, please "like" the **ECU Marching Pirates Colorguard** page on Facebook or **@Ecu\_colorguard** on Instagram for updates, and you'll be encouraged to join the colorguard GroupMe chat. You may also contact Lynda Kachman at [guardgirl1218@gmail.com](mailto:guardgirl1218@gmail.com).

### Dance Team

Auditions for the ECU Dance Team take place each spring. Information regarding dance team requirements and auditions can be found at <https://ecupirates.com/sports/2016/7/7/spirit-dance-team-html.aspx>.

## **CHECK-IN INFORMATION**

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All members of the Marching Pirates will check in for band camp on campus on Friday, August 11 by checking in to the lobby of the A.J. Fletcher Music Center. The building is located at the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> Street and College Hill Drive.

All Marching Pirates members living in ECU residence halls, or those off-campus students who require temporary housing, for the fall semester who register for Preseason Band Camp by must complete the [Housing Form](#) in order for the NSO to prepare for your arrival. In most cases, these students will move into the rooms assigned to them for the academic year.

All students participating in early move in **MUST** complete and submit the "Band Camp Registration" Form before they will be allowed to move into their residence halls. This form must be completed as soon as possible, and before August 1.

### **Uniform and Instrument Distribution**

Instruments are distributed at check-in. Uniforms will be distributed to members of the ECU Marching Pirates according to seniority through the band camp week. These times are listed on the Preseason Band Camp schedule.

### **Parking**

30 minutes of free parking for camp registration will be available in the lots surrounding the A.J. Fletcher Music Center during the scheduled registration time slots. All parking for residence hall move-in must follow the policies stated by [ECU Parking and Transportation Services](#).

Band members parking on campus during Preseason Band Camp are subject to all policies and rules established by [ECU Parking and Transportation Services](#). It is strongly encouraged that students living off campus carpool with someone who has an ECU Parking Decal and/or use the ECU Student Transit buses. A limited number of temporary parking passes for the "B Lot" across from [College Hill Practice Field](#) may be available at camp check-in on a first-come-first-served basis. Only those students who already have an ECU parking pass will be allowed to get one of these passes.



## PRESEASON BAND CAMP COSTS

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### Preseason Band Camp Meals

Students will be responsible for their own meals during Preseason Band Camp. The dining halls will not be open on 8/11, 8/12, or 8/13. The Student Center will have options such as the Pirate Market and Starbucks. Meal plans start on Monday, August 14. On that date, students on a meal plan may start using their plan rather than paying for meals, while students NOT on a meal plan may continue paying for individual meals. For those not on a meal plan, prices including tax are as follows: breakfast- \$7.25, lunch- \$9.25, and dinner- \$9.50. For information about meal plans and the ECU dining halls, please visit [www.ecu.edu/dining](http://www.ecu.edu/dining).

### Required Uniform Accessories

Each band member is responsible for the purchase of their own black ECU marching shoes (dance shoes for Colorguard), and black gloves. Woodwind, brass and percussionists should purchase a 3-ring binder with clear plastic page protectors for their music PRIOR to coming to camp.

### Required Uniform Accessory Price List

First-year members (and some returning members) of the woodwind, brass, and percussion sections will need to purchase shoes and/or gloves.

Woodwind, brass, and percussion members (purchased and picked up from Kappa Kappa Psi during band camp check-in):

Shoes (DSI Velocity)	\$36
Gloves (black)	\$8 (2 pair)

Colorguard members:

Body suit (tights):	\$20
Shoes:	\$45

If students have shoes from high school or previous seasons that match those used by the Marching Pirates and remain in acceptable condition (no scratches, tears, etc), they are NOT required to purchase new equipment. New gloves need to be purchase by all those who use them. Please be prepared to pay in cash, or using an app such as Venmo or Cash App at band camp check-in.

All students must complete the  
[Apparel and Uniform Sizing Form](#)  
prior to August 1, 2023

### Snack Packs (optional purchase)

One of the two music service fraternities, Tau Beta Sigma, will be selling “snack packs” during band camp check-in. These snack packs contain 20oz Gatorade/Powerade, chips, granola bar, and a choice of either peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, trail mix, or fruit snacks. They are distributed to each member at the start of each football game. They will be available to purchase for \$5 per game, or \$30 if purchased for all seven games at the check-in. They accept Venmo and cash.

## PRESEASON BAND CAMP ETIQUETTE

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Members of the Marching Pirates are expected to exhibit the highest standards of professionalism both when together at an official performance, trip, rehearsal, or event and even in their own personal lives. This is explicitly laid out in the ECU Marching Pirate's Handbook, which will be emailed to each member before band camp begins. Particularly with the age of social media and instant news, the way we carry ourselves throughout the season, on and off the field, will determine our public and university image. As such the following expectations must be met:

### **Alcohol & Illegal Drugs**

The use of alcohol or any illegal substance that impair an individual's ability to represent the Marching Pirates, School of Music, or East Carolina University in a positive manner will not be tolerated. Violators may be dismissed from the Marching Pirates and/or may face legal or university ramifications. This applies to every band member and is not limited to activity that takes place only during official Marching Pirates performances, trips, rehearsals, or events.

### **Smoking**

Smoking is not permitted during any rehearsal or performance even if the band is on a break. Anyone smoking in uniform or during a rehearsal may be dismissed from the band.

### **Attendance & Punctuality**

All members of the Marching Pirates are responsible for adhering to the camp schedule. Rehearsal attendance will be taken precisely at the time stated on the schedule. All students should arrive to the respective rehearsal/performance sites at least 15 minutes prior to call time to ensure punctuality.

Students participating in Maynard Scholar or Honors College sessions, and Teaching Fellows Meetings will be excused from rehearsal as needed provided that notice is given to their section leader and Dr. Busuito prior to the event. These students will be responsible for obtaining all information given during their absence. It is strongly encouraged that you miss as little rehearsal time as possible. Too many absences for any reason can affect the final band block placement of that individual.

### **Time Management**

It is imperative that members of the Marching Pirates work to ensure they have adequate time to travel to each rehearsal/performance site, gather and assemble proper equipment and warm up. Except for extreme, unforeseeable emergencies, no excuses for tardiness or absences will be accepted

### **Consequences**

Any Tardiness or Absence from ANY scheduled Preseason Band Camp activity or event may result in dismissal as a member of the Marching Pirates, and it will factor into the student's final grade (see the Member Handbook).

## PRESEASON BAND CAMP HEALTH

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Preseason Band Camp takes place during one of the hottest months of the year and requires high levels of physical, mental, and emotional strength. As such, it is important to follow these guidelines to lessen the chances of harm or illness.

### **Camp and Rehearsal Apparel**

As we will be outside on the practice field for most rehearsals, it is required that all band members wear comfortable clothing (dependent on the weather) and **TENNIS SHOES** (*NO DRESS SHOES, SANDALS, FLIP-FLOPS, CROCS, etc.*). A ball cap or wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses are also strongly recommended.

### **Hydration**

Proper hydration should begin the week prior to camp. Each member should drink as much water as possible (males should drink 1 gallon of water per day; females should drink 3/4 gallon of water per day) at least five days before physical activity begins. Furthermore, sugary and alcoholic drinks should be avoided during the duration of camp.

Please bring your own Nalgene bottles, thermoses, etc. pre-filled to start off rehearsal. There will be NO cups available during camp so each member will be responsible for his/her own. We recommend the use of hydration backpacks during camp as well. These can be purchased at various sports stores and websites. When outdoors, we will work in short segments with brief water breaks between each one. Make sure to hydrate at each break, even if you do not feel thirsty.

### **Food & Energy**

The type of activity that occurs during Preseason Band Camp requires much more energy than is expended during normal daily activity. As such, each member must eat more than they do on a normal basis. Preseason Band Camp is NOT a time to begin dieting or extreme changes in eating habits.

All band members should eat a solid meal during each meal break and in the morning before rehearsals begin. Members are also encouraged to bring high- energy snacks to eat during their short breaks.

Good foods are those high in carbohydrates (pasta, rice, granola bars, etc.) but low in fat and sugar. Eating fruit high in vitamins will give you much more lasting energy than you would get from a candy bar.

### **Sunscreen & Insect Repellent**

The use of sunscreen and insect repellent is strongly recommended.

### **Sleep & Rest**

Students should get between seven to eight hours of sleep per night through the duration of camp. Furthermore, all meal breaks should be used as a time to eat, rest and recharge for the next rehearsal session.

## Emergencies

The ECU Marching Pirates will have medically trained emergency personnel available at most but not all rehearsals and events. Any students experiencing physical or heat-related illnesses will be taken to the [ECU Student Health Services](#) for any necessary treatment.

## Prescriptions

It is each student's responsibility to take charge of their personal health. If you need to always carry an inhaler or EpiPen, please make sure you do this and that your section leaders and staff members are aware. If you have other medication needs or requirements, please make sure that you bring these to school and that you use your best judgment in when to take them.

# PRESEASON BAND CAMP CHECKLIST

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## To Do (As soon as possible, before you arrive on campus):

- ✓ Register for the marching band class in PiratePort:
  - MUSC 1705 (non-music majors) OR
  - MUSC 1706 (music majors)
- ✓ Fill out the "Preseason Band Camp Registration Form" online at <https://marchingpirates.org/band-camp-registration/>
- ✓ Fill out the "Preseason Band Camp Housing Form" (only if you're living in the dorms and have your housing assignment, or if you require temporary housing) at <https://marchingpirates.org/band-camp-housing/>
- ✓ Fill out the "Apparel and Uniform Sizing" form at <https://marchingpirates.org/apparel-and-uniform-sizing/>
- ✓ If you plan to use an ECU-owned instrument, please complete the Equipment form at <https://marchingpirates.org/equipment-form/>
- ✓ Practice fundamentals routine, stands tunes (long and short); memorize pregame and Show 1 (found in [ECU Athletic Band Library](#))

## Mandatory Items to Bring:

- ✓ Tennis Shoes
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Sunglasses
- ✓ Hat
- ✓ Comfortable athleticwear
- ✓ Water Bottle - [1 gallon water cooler recommended](#) (write your name on it!)
- ✓ Money for uniform/supplies/food
- ✓ This Preseason Band Camp Guide
- ✓ 1-inch black three-ring binder with clear plastic page protectors

## When you arrive at ECU:

- ✓ Check-in at AJ Fletcher Music Center
- ✓ Pay for any materials you need to purchase
- ✓ Check out an instrument (if applicable)
- ✓ If living on campus, go check into the dorm during your assigned dorm check-in times

# PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Updated March 16, 2023

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Please note the following:

- ✓ The final schedule for performances will be distributed at Preseason Band Camp. This schedule is subject to change.
- ✓ All performances are required, and only very specific circumstances will be granted for excuse from performance (death in the family, the wedding of a close family member, exceptional circumstances as determined by Dr. Busuito). A Family vacation is not a valid excuse to miss a performance.
- ✓ All Times are TBA unless otherwise indicated

## **Saturday, September 9, TBA**

Marshall University vs. East Carolina University (High School Band Day)

## **Saturday, September 16, TBA**

East Carolina University at Appalachian State (Volunteer Pep Band)

## **Saturday, September 23, TBA**

Gardner-Webb vs. East Carolina University (Paint It Gold, Family Weekend)

## **Thursday, October 12, TBA**

Southern Methodist University vs. East Carolina University (Military Appreciation)

## **Saturday, October 14, TBA**

ECU Marching Pirates Exhibition at Compass Classic (West Johnston HS)

## **Saturday, October 21, TBA**

UNC-Charlotte vs. East Carolina University (Paint it Black)

## **Saturday, November 4, TBA**

Tulane University vs. East Carolina University

## **Saturday, November 18, TBA**

East Carolina University at Navy (Full band will travel)

## **Saturday, November 24 or 25, TBA**

University of Tulsa vs. East Carolina University (Senior Day)

## **Saturday, December 2, 12 p.m.**

POSSIBLE AAC Conference Championship (Potential host or away game)

## **December 18, 2023 through January 8, 2023**

Potential Bowl Game Commitment

AAC Aligned Bowl Games include (these are not the only options for bowl games):

December 2023	TicketSmarter Birmingham Bowl vs. SEC
December 2023	PUBG MOBILE New Mexico Bowl vs. Conference USA or Sun Belt
December 2023	Fenway Park Bowl vs. ACC
December 2023	RoofClaim.com Boca Raton Bowl vs. Group of Five or Army
December 2023	Myrtle Beach Bowl vs. Conference USA, MAC, or Sun Belt
December 2023	TailgreeterCure Bowl vs. Group of Five or Army
December 2023	Tropical Smoothie Cafe Frisco Bowl vs. Group of Five or Army
December 2023	SoFi Hawaii Bowl vs. Mountain West
December 2023	Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl vs. Conference USA
December 2023	UnioniHome Mortgage Gasparilla Bowl vs. ACC, Pac-12, or SEC
December 2023	SERVPRO First Responder Bowl vs. ACC, Big 12, or Pac-12