

DCHS BAND CAMP 2022

July 31 – August 6

REGISTRATION:

To register for the Dublin Coffman Marching Band, all students must go to <http://tinyurl.com/DCMBcamp22> and fill out the appropriate fields of information.

DEPOSIT FOR BAND CAMP:

There are two ways that you can PAY the DEPOSIT for the Dublin Coffman Band Camp:

1. **Pay DEPOSIT ONLY by Credit Card at:** <http://tinyurl.com/DCMBcamp22>
2. **OR Send to your Band Director** a check or money order; NO CASH will be accepted. Camp Deposit of \$75.00 is **DUE – Thursday, APRIL 14, 2022.** Payable to: Dublin Music Boosters, Treasurer. The total camp fee is \$350.00. Please list the student's name in the MEMO line of the check. The balance is due upon registration at camp on July 31, 2022.
3. **All Forms: COLLECTION STARTS -- FORMS WILL BE COLLECTED ON MAY 31st AT OUR MAY REHEARSAL. (THERE WILL BE A NOTARY PRESENT THROUGHOUT THE WEEK of July 4th Practice.)**
4. See attached checklist. Any camper that fails to have approved health forms on file will not be permitted to stay at camp. Directors WILL NOT accept these forms until this date. **DO NOT GIVE YOUR MEDICAL FORMS TO YOUR MIDDLE SCHOOL DIRECTOR.**

**CAMP ADDRESS: Camp Bountiful
4861 Limerick Road,
Jackson, Ohio 45640
Phone: (740) 988-2203
Emergency Phone: (740) 988-2373**

Camp Bountiful is approximately 18 miles south of Chillicothe off Route 35. The trip takes about one hour and half, driving the speed limit with no stops. Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m. Make sure your band student has had lunch prior to arriving at camp. More detailed directions will be passed out to the students during pre-camp.

**Arrive at camp between 1:00-2:30p.m. and go directly to the lodge.
No one is to go to their cabin before they check in at the lodge.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Tryouts for a regular position will start the week prior to camp. To receive a regular position the following requirements must be completed:

1. Memorize the Star Spangled Banner.
2. Memorize the Dublin Coffman Pep Song and Fight Song.
3. Memorize the show music that may be available.
4. Ability to march 8 to 5 and 6 to 5.
5. Ability to play and march at the same time.
6. Ability to do the basic facing commands.
7. Proper posture.
8. A good tone and a strong sound while marching.
9. General music ability on the instrument.
10. A **positive attitude**, and the willingness to improve.

The one-week prior to band camp will help individuals meet these requirements. The first two shows will be taught at band camp; therefore, anyone not attending camp may not march the first two shows, and will be assigned to a shared position.

Practice on your instrument at least one-half hour per day and build up to at least one full hour per day before pre-camp. You will be playing about five hours a day at camp, so be prepared!!! You should memorize all of the school songs **BEFORE** you get to pre-camp.

SUPERVISION: the Camp Managers and Mr. Bradstreet will handle the overall planning and supervision. We will have the following personnel to assist:

- Teaching Staff: Mr. Bradstreet, Mr. Nippert, Mr. Wallick, Mrs. Reeves, Mr. Hostetler, Mr. Mundy, and College Staff.
- Chaperones: Band Parents supervise the students in the cabins at night, and during free time.
- Medical/Nurse: Assigned by the camp, or Music Boosters.
- Lifeguard: Will be provided by the camp.

This camping experience is planned to be educational combined with fun group activities. We plan many hours of combined marching and playing with individual and sectional practices. Band Camp is an experience that students will remember all year, and usually look forward to the next year. We want it to be a successful experience for everyone. **SELF DISCIPLINE IS EXPECTED OF EACH STUDENT.** We reserve the parental right of authority and will return home any student who, after fair warning and remedial discipline, cannot conduct himself or herself in a manner conducive to the welfare of all. **THIS IS A SCHOOL FUNCTION AND SCHOOL RULES APPLY!!!**

The Camp Managers and Mr. Bradstreet reserve the right to send disorderly students home without a refund.

Please arrive at camp between 1:00 - 2:30p.m. The first rehearsal begins at 3:00p.m. in the shelter house. A marching show will be performed on August 6th at 10:00a.m. Students will be dismissed to travel home after the show. We must be out of camp by 12:00 noon.

THE "SHARED POSITION" SYSTEM

The marching band is a visual as well as an aural performing group, so we must ensure that every position is filled, as much as possible, for every performance; drill designs look incorrect if you have people missing in various positions. We also find that not all of the students have the immediate capabilities to play an instrument while marching intricate drill patterns at the same time. Therefore, a system is needed whereby a student has the opportunity to still be involved in the marching band program, while at the same time developing the skills necessary to assume a regular marching position. We call this system "The Shared Position System", and it functions as follows:

The Fall marching band shows are planned in the Spring and Summer months. A set number of regular positions are determined for the group based on the number of students that have signed and auditioned on their instruments for band in the spring of the previous year, as well as the breakdown of the various instruments (trumpets, clarinets, etc.) At that time, we determine based on past experience, how many "Shared Positions" we will need for the next year. The students are then auditioned, by the music staff, on their marching abilities at the "spring training" and prior to band camp. They are assigned a regular or shared position based on the results of their combined playing and marching skills. During the course of the year the shared positions are given the opportunity to participate in all or a portion of the following: Friday football games, Saturday contests, a pre-game, and/or halftime presentation based on each week's progress as determined by the music staff. Students experiencing difficulties coordinating their marching and playing skills or lacking initiative will not receive as many opportunities to participate as the other students.

Shared position students ARE regular members of the band and are expected to fulfill obligations just like the other band members unless considerations have been determined by our administration. Therefore, these students may be assigned responsibilities that are just as important to the overall functioning of the marching band as are the students who are marching a particular position in the drill. These duties may include the positioning of equipment on the field prior to the show (podium, batons, etc.), or helping with any other necessary items that may be used in the band's performance. This obligation also gives the students the opportunity to demonstrate how responsible they are at completing a task and doing it well.

Some of our BEST Squad Leaders started out as shared positions their first year in the band!