

2024 TCU Marching Band Information

Welcome to TCU Bands and the Horned Frog Marching Band!

“The Pride of TCU”



Introduction

The Horned Frog Marching Band performs at all home football games, several away games, bowl games, guest exhibitions, pep rallies, other campus functions, and the Fort Worth Stock Show Parade.

Marching Band Class Registration

All Marching Band Members should register through their official TCU course selection or TCU Extended Education and on-line.

Band fees are assessed according to your specific section. Please be sure to check your TCU course schedule to verify you are registered for the correct Marching Band section:

Marching Band-Brass MUSI 10110-074 (70460)

Marching Band-Woodwinds MUSI 10110-075 (70462)

Marching Band-Color Guard MUSI 10110-076 (70464)

Marching Band-Drum Line MUSI 10110-077 (70465)

Graduate students can contact s.owens@tcu.edu for graduate course numbers.

TCU Horned Frog Extended Education Program

The Horned Frog Marching Band provides college-age musicians in the DFW area an opportunity to participate as a members of the Horned Frog Marching Band while attending another university or community college in the DFW area that does not have a marching band. A fee is required to register.

For more information, e-mail Sharie Owens at s.owens@tcu.edu or call 817-257-7640. Registration for the Extended Ed program will be open during the summer of 2024.

TCU Color Guard

The TCU Color Guard adds pop, color, drama, and an expanded visual component to the Marching Band. We welcome a wide range of talent and skill and do not require previous color guard experience. There is a short audition process to be placed in the Color Guard which checks basic skills presented during the first few days of camp. Color Guard members spin flags, rifles, and sabers. For the weapon line, previous experience is typically needed. Member are not required to play an instrument for any concert bands but are encouraged to participate in other areas of the TCU School of Music.

TCU Horned Frog Band Camp

The marching Band begins preparation for the upcoming season by arriving early to campus to learn the first pre-game and half-time shows. Each section meets during the camp to work on music and marching style, while developing a common bond upon which to build a great season.

Schedule:

August 4, 2024	Early Dorm Move In for Drum Line Camp
August 6-10, 2024	Drum Line Camp-TCU Music Center
August 10, 2024	Full Band Dorm Move In/Registration-TCU Music Center
August 10, 2024	Full Band Meeting-Van Cliburn Concert Hall (TCU Music Center)
August 12-15, 2024	Full Band Camp
August 15, 2024	Full Band Picture-TCU Library

For a more complete schedule, please check the [TCU Band Website](#).

Band Camp Move-In Dates for TCU Housing

August 4, 2024	Drum Line
August 10, 2024	Brass, Woodwinds, Color Guard
August 14, 2024	Late Arrivals
TBA	Greek Housing, GrandMarc, Village East and Liberty Lofts

To request an early move-in date to the TCU Dorms, please [pre-register](#) with the TCU Marching Band before May 30, 2024. After that date, any changes will need to be made through your TCU Housing portal.

If you are arriving late, please inform the Band staff at band@tcu.edu.

Marching Band Registration: August 10 from 9:00am-3:00pm, TCU Music Center

On-site registration is required for all TCU Horned Frog Marching Band members on Saturday, August 10. This is a come and go event. Shoe and uniform sizing, as well as instrument check-out, will be done during this time.

TCU Marching Band instrument (piccolos, saxophones, trumpets, mellophones, trombones, euphoniums and tubas) will be available for check out during registration. All brass will be using TCU marching instruments unless approval is provided by the Director of the Horned Frog Marching Band.

There will be a new member welcome reception at 3:30pm in Music Center 124.

The full band meeting will be at 4:00pm in the Van Cliburn Concert Hall (TCU Music Center).

Marching Band Auditions

There is no audition required to join the TCU Horned Frog Marching Band. There are auditions for marching spots only. Music assessment may be involved for part assignments and chair placement. The only exception is drum line: please see the Percussion page for more information. Color Guard will have a skills evaluation at the end of camp.

Orientation Sessions and Frog Camp

Some Orientation Session/Frog Camps conflict with band rehearsal during band camp. You may be excused from these rehearsals; however, the Director of the Marching Band must have these excused absences in writing prior to the rehearsals missed. Please e-mail this information to m.r.garrett@tcu.edu. We will learn pre-game drill during the first rehearsals of camp. Those students with numerous misses could miss getting a spot for pre-game drill.

Equipment for Marching Band Rehearsals

Instrument, Lyre, Rehearsal Music, Flip Folder, Drill Charts and a pencil are required for every rehearsal and some performances.

Water Dispenser: Water is provided at all rehearsals and it is recommended that all members bring their own water jug.

Lyres: Every band member (except flute & percussion) should bring a lyre for their instrument to every rehearsal and football game. You will need to have a lyre even if you have a school-owned instrument that didn't include one in the case. Please buy one before camp!

Regular Practice Schedule

Monday/Friday: 4:05-5:50pm

Wednesday: 4:30-5:50pm, (4:00-5:50pm for Drum Line and Color Guard)

Band Uniform and Equipment Fees:

All members of the Marching Band and Color Guard pay annual band fees of \$200.00 for the following:

- Uniform use and maintenance
- Uniform shirt, cap, gloves and marching shoes
- Associated travel and social activities

All members are responsible for any loss or damage of uniforms or TCU equipment.

A \$75.00 per season nonrefundable Instrument/Equipment fee will be charged to Percussion, Piccolo, Tenor Sax, Trumpet, Mellophone, Trombone, Euphonium and Tuba members for marching instruments provided by TCU to assist with the cost of repairs and maintenance.

Marching Band Scholarships

All TCU student members of the Horned Frog Marching Band will receive \$4000.00 distributed in three payments throughout the fall semester. To receive this scholarship, students must be registered for the Marching Band class. All scholarships will be distributed by direct deposit.

To sign up for direct deposit:

- Log in to my.tcu.edu
- Click the Student Account Tile
- Click Enroll in Direct Deposit (on the left)
- Re-Enter bank account information
- Slide bar should be marked as "Yes"
- Click Submit

International Students: please contact the Band Office at band@tcu.edu on requirements for international students to receive this scholarship.

Traveling with the TCU Band

To travel with the marching band, TCU Policy states that students must:

- Register for the course through TCU or [TCU Extended Education](#) for non-TCU students.
- Register with TCU Global for overnight travel. (Link TBA).
- Complete a [Band Pre-Registration Form](#) due by May 30 if possible.

These forms need to be completed by the end of Band Camp.

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Oboe

Bassoon

Clarinet

Saxophone

Trumpet

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Trombone

Euphonium/Tuba

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