



SAGUARO SABERCAT MARCHING BAND

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BAND CAMP SCHEDULE

- 7:00 Doors open
- 8:00 Block up and march out to field
 - Guard inside on stage
 - Pit inside in Band Room
 - Marching ensemble outside on field for marching fundamentals
- 11:00 March inside and break for lunch
- 12:00 Full Ensemble warm up in Band Room (Guard on Stage)
- 12:30 Sectionals
 - Guard on stage
 - Pit in Band Room Ensemble Practice room or with Percussion
 - Percussion in Band Room
 - Brass in Orchestra Room
 - Woodwinds in Choir Room
- 2:00 Break/Activity
- 2:30 Full Ensemble Rehearse in Band Room (Guard on Stage)
- 5:30 Full Ensemble with Guard
- 6:00 Rehearsals end for Dinner Break
- 7:00 Community Bounding Activities (Optional Mon - Wed, but HIGHLY encouraged; Thurs Mandatory)
- 9:00 Room closed for evening (Approximate estimated time after clean up)

SPIRIT DAYS

Spirit days are a great way to make band camp fun amid all of the work we have to do! We encourage all staff and students to partake in spirit days. Please remember that we are outside marching the majority of the morning and to wear spirit attire that allows you to fully participate in rehearsals. No one will be excused from marching for spirit day attire. Same is true for the afternoon playing rehearsals. Students performance ability cannot be hindered by their attire. Finally, all spirit outfits need to fit within school dress code expectations as well as the outlined expectations for band camp (found in welcome packet). Spirit days should be fun and entertaining. Nothing puts a damper on spirit days more than someone being sent home or asked to change. It is even encouraged that you bring a change of clothes (maybe wear marching clothes for morning and change at lunch or march in spirit attire and change at lunch).

Leadership and Staff have decided that we are going to continue Spirit Days at the first Monday rehearsal of each month! More details coming from Drum Majors in upcoming weeks!

MONDAY - BAND SHIRT DAY! Wear a shirt of your favorite band, musician, or musical ensemble (and YES this can even be a band you've participated in!!)

TUESDAY - HAWAIIAN DAY! Break out the leis, flower shirts, and grass skirts (but please wear shorts or pants underneath)

WEDNESDAY - CIRCUS DAY! In the spirit of our show, show us your Greatest Showman or Circus attraction costume! Please keep it in good fun.

THURSDAY - SECTION DRESS ALIKE DAY! We will become a band family by the end of this week, but none more than your section! With skit night this night, what more fun way to celebrate our sections than to dress alike?



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Community Bonding Nights

Since our camp is at school, we have incorporated nightly bonding activities to allow the students the opportunity to get to know each other better outside of a work environment just as if we were at a sleep away band camp. This allows us the opportunity to grow trust among the students since in an ensemble like this spends A LOT of time together over the season! These night are going to be A LOT of fun! Please encourage your student to return after the dinner break for these day!

MONDAY - MOVIE NIGHT IN THE BAND ROOM! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and towels, sprawl out around the band room to watch our premier of our show, *The Greatest Showman!* Even if you've already seen it, this is going to be a great way to end our first day of band camp. Bring refreshments like going to the movies. (Soda not encouraged). Boosters will be popping fresh popcorn for students to enjoy during the film. (End time: When movie is over. Run time 75 min)

TUESDAY - BUNCO NIGHT (A SMB TRADITION)! Bring your game face and get ready for the game of a lifetime! Bunco's not just for little old ladies, it can be a highly competitive game night! Sections will bring snacks to share, music will be pumping, and we'll have a great Bunco challenge for the night! (End time: between 8:30 - 9:00)

WEDNESDAY - SKIT PREP/INTRO TO BARRO'S TRADITION! It is Band Tradition to go to Barro's after games and events. The student leadership would like to introduce this tradition during band camp. When rehearsal ends on Wednesday, the band room will remain open until 7 to allow sections an hour of uninterrupted time to finalize their skit for Thursday. After that time, the room will lock up and students are encouraged to have dinner together at Barro's.

THURSDAY- SENIOR NIGHT/SKIT PRESENTATIONS! (Mandatory) Sections will present their skits to the ensemble as a way to wrap up camp and get ready for the upcoming year! This is a great way to celebrate inside jokes made during camp and enjoy a little good humored fun. As the senior's last night of their last band camp of high school, we want to provide them a little something special as well as the opportunity to "Pass the Torch" on to underclassmen. Then off to enjoy what remains of our summer until we meet again at our first zero hour rehearsal on Tuesday, August 7th!

Lunch/Dinner

Just as a point of clarification: Lunch is to be brought every day to camp. A break for dinner is provided from 6-7. This is so there is time for everyone (staff included) to get dinner and so leadership and staff can set up the room for the nightly bonding activities. The room may close during this time (depending on the day). Plan on working out transportation among friends, sections, or families to go get food and return by 7.

