

## Band Camp Info 2017

Essentials:
water
sunscreen
bug spray
music folder(binder with sheet protectors work best)
instrument essentials(valve oil, cork grease, etc )

### JULY MON 31st

- 11am-3pm COLORGUARD PRACTICE

### AUGUST

#### TUE 1st

- 12pm-3pm PERCUSSION REHEARSAL

#### WED 2nd

- 12pm-3pm PERCUSSION REHEARSAL

#### THURS 3rd

- 5pm-8pm PARADE REHEARSAL (everyone)

#### FRI 4th

- 5pm-8pm PARADE REHEARSAL (everyone)

#### SAT 5th

- Time TBA KUNA DAYS PARADE (everyone)
- Attire: Black gym shorts, black band shirts (or Kuna shirt), black socks and black shoes

#### WED 9th

- 8am-4pm BAND CAMP (everyone)
- Lunch is provided
- Bring Water!

#### THURS 10th

- 8am-2pm BAND CAMP (everyone)
- Bring your own lunch
- Dessert is provided
- Bring Water!
- Go check out Drum Corps in Theaters 3:30pm

FRI 11th

- 8am-4pm BAND CAMP (everyone)
- Lunch is provided
- Bring Water!

SAT 12th

- Uniform fitting at KHS
- 10am SL/DM/other fittings
- 10:30am SRS/JRS fittings
- 11:30am SOPH fittings
- 12:30pm FRESH fittings

MON 14th

- 8am-4pm BAND CAMP (everyone)
- Bring your own lunch
- Dessert is provided
- Bring Water!

TUES 15th

- 8am-4pm BAND CAMP (everyone)
- Lunch is provided
- Bring Water!

WED 16th

- 8am-4pm BAND CAMP (everyone)
- Bring your own lunch
- Dessert is provided
- Bring Water!

THURS 17th

- 8am-4pm BAND CAMP (everyone)
- 6:30-8:30pm BAND SOCIAL and PERFORMANCE
- Student call time 5:30pm
- Band will provide main course for students, family and friends
- Woodwind/Brass students bring a side dish
- Perc/Guard students bring a dessert or drink
- Students will perform around 7:30pm

OTHER INFO

- Band Handbook, signature form etc.
- Band Fair Share
- Website/Facebook page (The Kuna Gold Parent and Community Organization), (Kuna Gold Band & Guard), TEAMsnap
- Students need music packet
- Weekly Rehearsals start Aug 22/24 (Tues/Thurs) 5-8pm at KHS



Dear Parents,

Welcome to The Kuna Gold! I wanted to drop a few lines to introduce myself and to get some very valuable information out for all of our incoming freshmen and families. My name is Teri Woods. I am the president of the booster organization, The Kuna Gold Parent and Community Organization. We are the parents and family of the band students and we help to support the band program at Kuna High School. From making meals, to holding fundraisers, keeping the kids dressed and looking sharp, we are a lot of the behind the scenes that helps to make our program and our kids successful.

#### Communication:

For the best, up to the minute information, please request to join our Facebook page, The Kuna Gold Band and Guard. To protect the privacy of your child/children, the group is "secret" and you must have a student or be a student in the band program to be a member of the group. We also have a group for parents only, THE Kuna Gold Parents, which is also a secret group that requires approval to join. We keep all the posts on both pages relevant to the band program and it is the best way to get information out quickly.

We also have a website with our current calendar, pictures and other important information.

[www.kunagoldparents.com](http://www.kunagoldparents.com)

For record keeping purposes, we use a site, called TeamSnap. Once our roster is set at band camp, you will receive an email inviting you to join. We use TeamSnap to keep all our contact information and fee payments on track. We also send out all our emails thru TeamSnap. If you would like to join now, please email at [kunagoldparentpresident@hotmail.com](mailto:kunagoldparentpresident@hotmail.com) and I will send an invitation to you.

#### Fair Share Payment

While no fee is collected by the district, we have been approved to collect a fair share payment to help fund the costs of the program. help our students be successful musicians and performers. We pay for Color Guard uniforms and flags, food for competitions, additional music not covered by the school, and uniform repairs and replacement. The Fair Share Payment is \$225.00 for each band and color guard member. To see a breakdown of what the Fair Share Payment includes, please visit our website. We offer payment plans. If the current plan does not work in your budget, please see me or Mr. Krall

#### Fundraising:

One of the ways we offset costs is to hold fundraising events and provide opportunities for fundraising. We try to limit the amount of fundraising we do, while maximizing the amount of money we bring in. Some of our fundraisers give students a portion of the money that is made. We hold that money in an account in the student's name. That money can be used to pay the Fair Share Payment, costs for band trips, instrument repair and/or purchase, college scholarship audition fees and Drum Corps fees. We also have several "passive" fundraisers. This includes using the Amazon link on our web page to shop on Amazon. Amazon than pays us a percentage of least 4% of the purchase price. You can also register your Fred Meyer card and donate Ridley's points. Friends and family members can easily do these too and the best part is, there is no extra money out of your pocket.

We will keep you up to date about fundraising opportunities and we would love to have your input and ideas too!

### Meetings:

Meetings will be once a month during marching band season. Generally, they are the first Tuesday of each month. We will put out emails and Facebook information about meetings well in advance.

### Band Camp:

Band Camp is an amazing time for our kids to come together! They learn the basics of marching and drill, learn the show music and start learning the drill (marching movements) for the show. The days are very long and busy, but the time spent in camp is invaluable to our program. Here are a few things that your student will need for camp and rehearsals.

**Water jug:** The Coleman 1 gallon jug can be bought for around \$7 at Walmart. They need to come with them filled with tepid water each morning. NO ICE WATER. Ice water will cause cramping. For my kids, I always put a thin layer of ice in the bottom than fill the jug with water. That way the water is cool, but not cold enough to make them sick. To help get your student ready for camp, encourage them to drink a lot of water every day. They need to start out camp hydrated so they don't experience muscle cramps and dizziness.

**Sun Glasses:** Polarized lenses are best to protect their eyes from UV rays. These can also be found at Walmart. Please don't spend a lot of money on these

**Sunscreen:** They will be outside for the majority of the day. Please buy whatever SPF you wish.

**Shorts:** NO DENIM!! Their legs need to move freely. Cotton or athletic type shorts are fine and must be fingertip length per school policy

**Shirts:** Every student must wear a shirt at all times. Tank tops are fine as long as they are not spaghetti straps. No halter or tube tops per school policy.

**Shoes:** Tennis or athletic shoes. No flip-flops or heavy shoes or boots during rehearsal. Foot powder is recommended to help keep down the smell (trust me on this one).

**3 Ring Binder and sheet protectors:** Each student will have a copy of the drill that they must keep with them. Mr. Krall will let them know how many sheet protectors they will need.

**Food and Snacks:** Lunches will be needed. Please send your student with quality (nutrition wise) food. Snacks with protein and/or complex carbs are the best. We will have a cooler available every day for items that need to be refrigerated. Sports drinks are also fine, but please do not fill their water jug with anything but water. The boosters may provide a meal or two and special treats always seem to show up 😊

**Positive Attitude:** Attitudes must be the very best and band members should come prepared to work hard and have fun! Band is a unique activity that draws ALL kids together. It does not matter what grade they are, because they either all sound good or bad together. Each section will have a student leader who will work with your student to help them learn and have fun!

**Black Socks:** BLACK, jet black over-the-calf or mid-calf are mandatory, especially during games and competitions. They complete their uniform. BLACK ANKLE SOCKS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE. It may sound trivial,

but many of the movements that they do cause their pant legs to pull up slightly. From the press box, a flash of skin is very visible and can cost points.

Some kids prefer the thinner men's dress socks but cotton socks are the best and most comfortable. If a student forgets their socks, we will rent them a pair of clean, used socks for \$1. At the end of the night, those socks should be returned to the uniform moms to be laundered for the next poor soul.

### Volunteers:

**WE NEED YOU!** No skill is too small and no job is insignificant. When we all pitch in to support the band, the director and instructors have more time to focus on teaching! The busiest time of year is marching band season and there is always plenty of ways to assist the band and staff. We currently have the following needs:

1. **Tailors/Seamstresses:** We continually need to alter and repair band uniforms and we have several jackets that need new zippers.
2. **Food/Cash Donation:** If helping out is not your style we gladly accept donations of food and/or cash to help feed our kids.
3. **Food Prep/Concessions:** We feed the kids during band camp and before/at each competition. We always need items prepared or donated. We also run a concession stand during the Kuna Marching Invitational in October. Christine Compton is our Food/Hospitality Chair.
4. **Uniform Crew:** These awesome moms and dads help to prepare the kids before every game and competition. We make sure they have all their uniform parts, black socks, marching shoes, gauntlets (they need help with those) and put plumes in the shakos (hats). After a performance, the plumes are removed right away. Uniform parents also assist with fitting uniforms (in August) and help washing the bibbers as they get soiled or smelly. Renee Cox is our Uniform Chair and she will take any and all help!
5. **Chaperones:** We always need a couple of parents to ride the buses. Any parents that rides the bus and assists the band/staff during competitions will have their entrance fee to the competition covered. Competitions generally begin in late September and continue through October or early November depending on our schedule.
6. **Kuna Marching Invitational:** We host the Kuna Marching Invitational marching band competition in October, which isn't possible without support from our amazing band parents – that's you!
7. **Grant Writing:** *We desperately need people who know how to write and win grants. The more money we can pull in from outside sources, the more focused our fundraising efforts become. If you have experience with this please please please help us out with this.*

***We welcome siblings! Please do not shy away from volunteering due to having younger kids at home. Bring them with you and let them help***

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