

CORONA DEL SOL BAND CAMP 2011

Congratulations!

You have been accepted into the 2011 Aztec Marching Band and invited to the 2011 Band Camp! As a selected participant, you will find this to be one of the finest marching band experiences in the Southwest United States. With this honor comes a great deal of responsibility. Please check the Tentative Schedule and Estimated Costs Sheet. Make sure that you can meet all of the season's commitments!

Band camp activities begin on July 31st with our trip to Payson and end on August 6th with a concert in the cool pines of Camp Tonto Rim in Northern Arizona. Here is the list of dates for our pre-band camp activities:

- **Summer Rehearsals:** These are required – Please refer to the Calendar as there are different dates for woodwind, brass, percussion, and color guard. If you are in town, please be there on time! **If you are on vacation with your family, you must excuse the absence on online with the ONLINE EXCUSAL FORM – at cndsband.org. Failure to fill out the form PRIOR to the rehearsal could result in suspension or removal from the band.**
- July 26-29 – **CdS Book Distribution** - 8AM - 12PM & 1PM - 3PM (even if you're scheduled for different days, you may pick up your books any time).
- Sat. July 30th - **Camp Student/Parent Meeting** 8:00 AM in the Corona Auditorium Lobby for new members to be fit for shoes & gloves, 9 AM in the Auditorium for the All Band Family meeting to go over Band Camp details.

The Corona del Sol Aztec Marching Band will depart for Camp Tonto Rim for their annual **Summer Marching Band Camp** on **Sunday July 31**. Members will be at camp **through Saturday, August 6th**. The Summer Marching Band Camp is REQUIRED for all marching band members, so make summer plans accordingly!

The purpose of the camp is to get the year kicked off to a great start and to get the fundamentals of marching learned while avoiding the valley heat. Camp also offers the opportunity to build strong personal relationships within the band, so that the marching season runs much more smoothly. All of the camp and pre-camp activities are VERY IMPORTANT and thus we need 100% attendance!!!

Please see the attached BAND CAMP Schedule for more details regarding Band Camp.

Parents must pick up their student(s) from Camp on **Saturday, August 6th**. Families are encouraged to attend the Camp BBQ from 11am-12pm on Saturday; order forms are included in the band camp packet. We will end camp with a celebratory concert at 12pm. **Transportation is not provided back to Tempe**. All parents are expected to come on Saturday, Aug 6th, OR make arrangements for their student(s) to ride home with another family. If Freshmen Orientation conflicts with Camp, freshmen band members will go to an alternative orientation so they can still go to Band Camp.

Students will stay in cabins and dormitories of various sizes at Camp. There is a nice dining hall with staff provided to prepare all of the meals. The students will be instructed by band staff members and a few parents will be at camp to help with various duties as well. Band Camp 2011 should prove to be exciting and memorable for all!

Camp Fees

The cost of camp is \$400.00, which covers everything outlined here, including bus transportation to camp.

DEADLINES:

(Submission date is Postmark)

EARLY BIRD Cost (pay in full by Fri. April 15): **\$375.00** (includes \$25 *discount!*)

NORMAL Cost (pay in full by Fri. May 6): **\$400.00**

LATE Cost (pay in full by Fri. May 27): **\$425.00** (includes \$25 *late fee*)

Please make checks payable to: Corona del Sol.

Enclose check with your completed forms and return to the school in the envelope provided. You can mail the envelope or bring directly into the bookstore during school hours.

Corona del Sol HS Band
Attn: Band Camp
1001 E. Knox Rd.
Tempe, AZ 85284

The final meeting for parents and students will be held **Saturday, July 30th, at 9:00 am** in the Corona del Sol auditorium (if you need to order new shoes, gloves, or other items, please arrive at 8 am to be fitted). Please reserve this date and plan to be at this meeting along with your parent(s).

Sincerely,

David DuPlessis, Director
Corona del Sol Bands
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P.S. - Visit the Band Booster Website for updates on band events: www.cdsband.org

Estimated Costs for participation in the Aztec Marching Band

Below is a list of expenses that marching band students can expect to pay throughout the course of the season. If you need financial assistance or a payment plan, please contact Mr. DuPlessis (coronaband@gmail.com) immediately!

SCHOOL FEES

Course Fee: Some courses including Band (JV Band, Intermediate Band, Varsity Band, Wind Ens.) have a course fee that needs to be paid at book distribution in July that covers the cost of supplies used in the class. Last year, this fee was \$30 for concert bands. There is also a ZERO HOUR course fee of approximately \$135 for Marching Band to be paid at Book Distribution.

Activity Fee: The activity fee was designed to help offset the Maintenance & Operation expense of providing extra-curricular student activities in the Tempe Union High School District. This is why the district charges \$50.00 for the activity outlined in policy GCB-E. The TUHSD board voted upon this fee in April 2003. Please see the activity fee schedule. These fees are \$50.00 per activity (including MARCHING BAND) with a maximum of \$150.00 for any one student and no family maximum.

CAMPS/TRIPS costs for ALL Band members

Summer Band Camp, July 31- Aug 6 - \$400.00 (\$375 if paid before April 15; \$425 if paid after May 6)
California Trip for Competition, Oct 21-Oct 23 (estimated cost) \$260.00

INSTRUMENT/UNIFORM costs for Woodwinds and Brass only

Marching Shoes - \$37.00 (to be paid for at the band camp meeting on July 30)
Gloves (approx. 5 pair) - \$4.00 ea. (to be paid for at the band camp meeting on July 30)
Uniform Dry Clean \$8.00 (District pays for it once, you pay for it in November just before turning the uniform back in)
Instrument Cleaning/Maintenance - \$35.00-\$100.00 - Paid for at the end of the year prior to checking the instrument back in. The instruments will be assessed by Music and Arts Center, but you can also take it to your repair shop to get it cleaned and repaired after the season.

INSTRUMENT/UNIFORM costs for Percussion only

Marching Shoes - \$37.00 (to be paid for at the band camp meeting on Aug 1)
Battery Percussion maintenance cost (heads) \$50.00
Pit Percussion fall season mallet costs \$45.00 (approx)
Uniform Dry Clean \$8.00 (District pays for it once, you pay for it in November just before turning the uniform back in)

INSTRUMENT/UNIFORM costs for Color Guard Only (to be paid for after Band Camp)

Custom Uniform – approx. \$150.00
Body tights - \$20.00
Gloves - \$15.00
Dance Shoes - \$20.00
Rifle - \$30.00
Sabre (optional) - \$85.00