

University Of North Carolina Marching Tar Heels

2010 PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

BAND CAMP: Band camp will be held the week of August 15 (*see schedule for actual starting date for your section*) and it is **MANDATORY** that all students planning to participate in the Marching Tar Heels attend all rehearsals during camp (*absences for CTOPS, academic advising, testing, etc. will be excused*). Typically, members are not excused to attend Carolina Kick-Off or Pre-Orientation. If you have any conflicts with the band camp schedule, please notify the band office (919-962-5695 or uncbands@email.unc.edu) as soon as possible.

MOVING INTO RESIDENCE HALLS: Members of the *Drumline* and *Guard*, along with the *Drum Majors* and *Operational Assistants* will move into their residence hall/Granville Towers on Sunday, August 15 and begin camp sessions will begin at 6p that evening. *Section Captains* and all other members of the *Student Staff* will move into their residence hall/Granville Towers on Monday, August 16 and camp sessions will begin at 6p that evening. Everyone else will move into their residence hall/Granville Towers on Wednesday, August 18 and begin camp sessions at 3p that afternoon. There is no charge for moving into the residence halls or Granville Towers early and the band camp schedule indicates move-in times.

REGISTRATION: All members must register for band camp between 8:00 am and 1:00 pm on August 18 in Hill Hall Room 107. At this time members must pay for merchandise and the band fee, turn in the Permission for Emergency Medical Care and Medical Information forms, pick-up merchandise, check-out instruments and confirm online registration information. All members of the trumpet and trombone sections must sign-up for an audition time for part assignment at this time.

MEDICAL INFORMATION FORMS: In an effort to provide the most accurate information to emergency medical personnel, we have been encouraged to obtain medical information and release forms for all participating members of the Marching Tar Heels. Please provide the most accurate information possible as it will be used only in the case of an emergency and will be confidential. Please bring the medical information form with you to band camp registration on August 18.

AUDITIONS: Students in the trumpet and trombone sections must sign-up for part-assignment auditions during band camp registration. Auditions will begin at 2:00 pm on August 18 in Hill Hall. Parts will be assigned following dinner on August 18. Students in the flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, tenor saxophone, mellophone, baritone and tuba sections do not need to audition for part assignment.

NEW MEMBER MEETING: A mandatory meeting will be held for all new members at 3:00 pm on Wednesday, August 18 in Kenan Music Building room 1201 (look for signs). All new members' parents are welcome to attend this meeting. At 4:00 pm the parents will be excused and the remainder of the marching band will join the new students for a general information meeting, which will be held in Hill Hall room 107.

MEALS: All meals will be provided during band camp. Beginning Sunday, August 22, residence halls are open and food service is available, allowing students to provide the remainder of their meals during band camp.

INSTRUMENTS: Students in the tenor saxophone (if needed), trumpet, trombone, mellophone, baritone, tuba and percussion sections will be issued University owned instruments. There is no charge for using University owned instruments; however *students using university owned instruments are required to provide their own mouthpiece*. We use french horn mouthpieces with our mellophones and the baritones require a large (bass) shank mouthpiece.

CTOPS / TSOPS: If you are participating in TSOPS August 18 or CTOPS August 19-20 please notify the band office (uncbands@email.unc.edu) so we can excuse you from the rehearsals you will miss.

LYRES AND FLIP FOLDERS: Lyres will be provided for all University owned instruments. All other students should provide their own lyres. **All students are required to provide their own flip folder(s) with at least five (5) windows.** Many students find that having two flip folders works very well to manage the amount of music we distribute each fall. If you have trouble finding a lyre or flip folder you can contact the band office at uncbands@email.unc.edu and request that one be ordered for you.

FEES: All members of the Marching Tar Heels are assessed a participation fee of \$175 for new members and \$150 for returning members. This fee includes all meals prior to campus food service beginning on Sunday, August 22, one (1) 2010 Marching Tar Heels t-shirt, two (2) other t-shirts, and a variety of other Nike apparel that will be yours to keep at the end of the year.

MERCHANDISE: The following merchandise will be provided to all members (new and returning):

T-Shirts	to be worn underneath the uniform at all performances and to some rehearsals
Warm Up Suit	to be worn as a uniform for all basketball games, Olympic Sport Pep Band events and when traveling with the band
Cap	to be worn as part of the uniform at all performances
Shoes	marching shoes to be worn with the uniform

New members will also receive the following items:

Duffel Bag	to be used when traveling with the band
Shorts	to be worn under the uniform at all performances; may be worn with the tshirt as a uniform for performance

The following merchandise is available for purchase by members of the UNC Bands, but is not required for involvement.

Band Jacket \$85.00	The Marching Tar Heels jacket is a high-quality navy blue nylon hooded jacket with flannel lining and two zippered pockets. The jacket has an interlocking NC sewn on the back and has "University of North Carolina Marching Tar Heels" and a picture of your instrument embroidered on the left chest and the member's name on the right chest (sizes S-XXXL).
T-Shirt \$15.00	The official 2010 Marching Tar Heels T-shirt is available in all sizes (S-XXXL) and may be purchased for parents, siblings, relatives, friends, etc.

UNIFORMS: Uniforms will be issued during band camp music rehearsals. Students are responsible to keep the uniform cleaned and pressed during the season.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE: During the fall semester, the Marching Tar Heels rehearse from 6:00p to 8:00p on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Friday afternoons. During the spring semester, the band rehearses from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Thursday evenings.

GAME DAY: The Marching Tar Heels are a very important part of game day at UNC. Therefore, the band is involved in most of the activities associated with a home game. The normal game day routine includes a warm-up/run through (4 hours before kick-off), playing for the team arrival (2¼ hours before kick-off), enjoying a pregame meal (provided 2 hours before kick-off), playing at Tar Heel Town (1 hour before kick-off), a pregame performance (20 minutes before kick-off) and a halftime performance, in addition to playing throughout the entire game in an effort to organize the cheering efforts of the 60,000 fans in attendance. The normal game day experience is about 8 hours in total.

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE: Game times will be announced when available.

Mandatory Performances (Absences will be excused if communicated with director in advance).

Sunday, August 22	9:00 p	Fall Fest 2009 (<i>on South Road by Student Union</i>)
Saturday, September 4	8:00 p	Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game (<i>Atlanta, GA</i>)
Saturday, September 18	12:00 p	Home Game vs. Georgia Tech
Saturday, October 2	TBA	Home Game vs. East Carolina
Saturday, October 9	TBA	Home Game vs. Clemson (<i>Family Weekend</i>)
Saturday, October 30	TBA	Home Game vs. William & Mary (<i>Homecoming</i>)
Saturday, November 13	TBA	Home Game vs. Virginia Tech
Saturday, November 20	TBA	Home Game vs. NC State (<i>Senior Day</i>)

Volunteer Performances (All members will be welcome to volunteer to participate)

Saturday, September 25	TBA	Volunteer Pep Band to Rutgers
Saturday, October 16	TBA	Volunteer Pep Band to Virginia
Saturday, October 23	TBA	Volunteer Pep Band to Miami
Saturday, November 6	TBA	Volunteer Pep Band to Florida State
Saturday, November 27	TBA	Volunteer Pep Band to Duke (<i>Thanksgiving Weekend</i>)

GAME TICKETS: Members of the Marching Tar Heels may purchase tickets for parents or immediate family for each home football game. These are reduced-price tickets located in the general admission sections of Kenan Stadium. We cannot assist with parking for home games or purchasing tickets for away games. Ticket orders will be taken in the band office prior to each game and must be purchased with a check or cash (*no cards accepted*).

TRAVEL COSTS: The UNC Bands will cover all costs related to traveling to participate with the band at an official function. Specifically, the UNC Bands will provide each student with \$25 per day for food and cover the cost of transportation, lodging and admission to the event. In the past, the UNC Athletic Department has provided out-of-state students with a round-trip airline ticket to facilitate their participation at a bowl game held during the holiday break.

BOWL GAME: If the football team is invited to play in a post-season bowl game, ***all members of the Marching Tar Heels are expected to make the trip and perform.*** We will provide transportation for all members of the band to the bowl site and cover housing costs. Each student will receive per diem to cover food and other incidental expenses. Bowl games are typically played between December 19 and January 7.

OLYMPIC SPORT PEP BAND: All members of the Marching Tar Heels are assigned to an Olympic Sport Pep Band. Each of the 10 pep bands is scheduled to perform at four (4) events each semester and there is a system in place for students to switch events in order to accommodate academic responsibilities. These pep bands cover Olympic Sport events such as Volleyball, Softball, Men's and Women's Soccer, Field Hockey, Men's and Women's Lacrosse and Women's Basketball. Members of the guard are required to attend four (4) extra rehearsals during the fall semester in place of participating in a pep band. These rehearsals are scheduled early in the preparation for each new show and last two (2) hours.

BASKETBALL BAND: All members of the Marching Tar Heels are encouraged to participate in the Basketball Bands. Members of the senior class are assigned to play all of the home games and all other members are assigned to either the Blue Band or the White Band. These bands are scheduled to cover all of the regular season home games, which means each band typically plays 3 games during the fall semester and 5 games during the spring semester. The band has access to a limited number of tickets that can be requested by band members who are not assigned to play the specific game. ***The band does not have access to guest tickets for men's basketball.***

QUESTIONS: Questions may be sent via email to uncbands@email.unc.edu or directly to Mr. Fuchs at jfuchs@email.unc.edu. Calls to the Band Office are also welcome (919-962-5695).