

## Lyford Band 2022 Summer Band Program and Schedule

It's time to begin preparing for our 2022 Marching Season. I hope that you are looking forward to a fantastic and successful school year for 2022-2023.

Attached to this page is the summer band rehearsal schedule. Students attending summer band camp and meeting the music playing requirements will be given first preference to earning a position in the marching lineup. Your marching position is not guaranteed and must be earned by meeting the attendance, marching and music requirements. Remember, we cannot teach you if you are not there.

LMS 8<sup>th</sup> grade students may participate in the marching band if they have met the requirements as outlined in the Lyford Band Handbook.

*UIL requires all marching band members to obtain a physical examination by a medical professional. This exam must be done by August 1. The physical exam form will be attached to the marching band packet and also available on the band website; website address is below. It is highly advised that all students who plan on being a part of the marching band get a physical done by the first day of summer band camp. Students who do not have a form on file with the band will not be able to participate. Students do not need to have a separate physical done for band and athletics, they may use the same one, however the band needs their own copy of the form. Please let the band staff know if there is a physical on file for the 2022-2023 school year and we will contact the athletic department to get a copy.*

The weekly schedule will be modified for Homecoming, LHS football bye week, and weather cancellations. Students are expected to be flexible with the schedule.

Do not assume rehearsals will be canceled on account of weather. If there is threatening weather, rehearsal will be indoors. In the event of drastic weather, information will be posted on the band's LCISD website and Facebook page. Addresses are below. Information is also sent out via Remind text messages. Please see the back of this page for more information.

LCISD Lyford Band Website: [www.lyfordband.com](http://www.lyfordband.com) All band forms can be downloaded from here  
Official Lyford Band Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/lyfordbulldogband](https://www.facebook.com/lyfordbulldogband)  
Remind 101 Text Alerts: Text the message "@lyfordband" without the quotes to the number 81010.

Students will need the following items for marching practice:

- **Rehearsal uniform (will be handed out in August)** – the band has an official shirt and short that must be worn to all marching rehearsals. The band will provide one complete set of clothes for each student in the marching band; students may purchase additional sets from the band. Marching spots will be assigned July 29. Until the uniforms are handed out, students may wear their own clothes. Clothing must meet school dress code. No jeans.
- **Hat/bandana/some type of head covering** - a brimmed hat works better than a baseball cap because it covers your ears and neck. Your choice of hat is up to you, but a hat *is* required. Visors are acceptable, but your scalp will sunburn with these. You will get a baseball cap with your band uniform. Until then, please provide your own.
- **Sunblock** - Everyone will need their own bottle of sunblock. We encourage our students to use it daily and reapply as needed while outside.
- **Athletic shoes**. No sandals, boots, flats, or bare feet. Try to avoid skate shoes if possible. The soles are designed to not bend like we need them to for marching.
- **A water bottle for the field** This is a must for everyone. Most heat-related health problems are due to not drinking enough water. Hydration of the human body allows it to cool itself off properly. Gatorade and Powerade are allowed, sodas and juices are not. Sharing of water is prohibited as it is unhealthy and could spread germs. The marching band rehearsals are structured to allow for frequent group water breaks.
- **A change of clothes** We sometimes get caught outside during summer showers. Having a change of clothes is always a good idea so that students are not wearing wet clothes inside the air conditioned band hall. These can be kept in a bag in their band hall cubby; these do not have to be a rehearsal uniform.

### Chair Position:

Chair position will be determined through director observation and recommendation. Students may request to challenge for a higher chair during sectionals and/or rehearsals. Challenge music will be the school song/fight song, marching show music, and all-region etudes.

If you need to contact me for any reason, please call the Lyford Bandhall at 956.347.3915 or email to [lyfordbulldogband@gmail.com](mailto:lyfordbulldogband@gmail.com)

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## Marching Band Rehearsal Schedule

Please refer to the attached calendar for the summer marching schedule. This schedule may also be found on the calendar at [www.lyfordband.com](http://www.lyfordband.com)

### **Aug 22 to the Last UIL marching contest\***

Mon/Tues 5:00pm-7:30pm; Wed 4:30-7:00

\*Open week (Bye Week) and Homecoming week will have a different rehearsal schedule.

### **Last UIL Marching Contest (Pigskin/Area/State) to the last district football game**

Wed 4:30-5:30

### **Playoff Season**

No rehearsals

During the summer months, we may run into problems with our band hall phones. If you need to get a hold of one of the directors, email is the absolute best way to reach us almost immediately.

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