

2026 Band Camp Proposal

Dates – July 26th through July 31

Location – Tower Hill

Cost Per Student - \$400

We are requesting another year of band camp at Tower Hill. Band camp is something we look forward to every year. It is difficult, just as athletic practices can be difficult, but it is the single most important thing that we do to build/grow/bolster the camaraderie of the band. After polling students, the general consensus is still to have band camp in the same format we have for decades. After consulting with current band students, parents, and instructional staff last year we made several changes that we plan to make permanent as a part of our camp.

- Increased breaks (5 minutes every half hour of rehearsal)
- Increased water breaks, especially in hot weather
- Increased down time around meal times.
- Incorporating more team-building activities
- More leadership training for section leaders and upper classmen.
 - More BEFORE camp this year to help foster leadership skills in advance of camp.
- Flexible sleeping arrangements
 - Some students may feel more comfortable sleeping at home and commuting to camp as a day camp.

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Do we offer scholarships?
 - Yes we do, along with many fundraising opportunities for students to offset the costs of band
 - We also offer payment plans to assist families in financial planning.
- What does the cost of \$400 cover?
 - Lodging
 - Drill Design
 - Props
 - Uniform Cleaning
 - Music
 - Music Arrangement
 - Instructors
 - Camp Supplies
 - Camp Facilities
 - Food
- What if a student is unable to attend camp?
 - Camp is vital for us to work to learn the music and learn the drill (formations we march) and any gaps in our formations holds the band back. In general, it is our policy that students can still participate in band if they are unable to attend camp, but they will perform in the sideline ensemble, which we call the “pit”.