

Band Special - July 2022 Newsletter

University Bands <bands+uark.edu@ccsend.com>

Fri 7/1/2022 2:37 PM

To: University Bands <bands@uark.edu>



Dear students,

Welcome to the second newsletter of the summer. Exciting things are happening on the Hill as we prepare for Leadership Camp, Early Week, and the start of the coming school year!

First, we are happy to announce the appointment of Chase Jones as Interim Assistant Director of Bands. A native of Ashdown, AR, Mr. Jones brings extensive teaching experience in concert bands and athletic bands to our program. He received the Bachelor of Music Education degree and Master of Music in Instrumental Conducting from the University of Arkansas. Mr. Jones was drum major of the Razorback Marching Band from 2009-2011 and as a graduate teaching assistant in the band program from 2013-2015 he designed halftime shows for the RMB, conducted each of the five concert bands, and directed the Hogwild Pep Band. Mr. Jones has been Director of Bands and led the 225-member Sebastian River High School Bands in Sebastian, FL for the last seven years. Under his direction the Sebastian River Marching Band was a finalist at the 2021 Orlando Bands of America regional and the Sebastian River Wind Ensemble recently

received superior ratings at the Florida State Concert Band Assessment. Mr. Jones was a drum major of the Phantom Regiment Drum and Bugle Corps in 2009.

Second, in this newsletter you will find schedules and other pertinent information regarding the beginning of the season and school year. Please take the time to read it carefully.

We are anticipating record enrollment at the University of Arkansas and in the Razorback Marching Band this fall, and we are looking forward to your arrival on campus!

Go Hogs!

Dr. Chris Knighten
Director of Bands

Health, Consent, and Release Form - click [here](#) to begin

The form takes about 15-20 minutes to complete and will require your UARK username and password. You will not be able to check-in at Early Week if this form is not complete. To complete it you will need:

- Information for two emergency contacts
- Insurance and medical information

Leadership Camp - August 5-7

All student leadership will attend Leadership Camp on August 6th to 8th. You can view the schedule [here](#).

Move-in for those members living in residence halls for the '22-'23 academic year will be Thursday, August 4th at 11am. The camp will include an orientation on our leadership structure, music and marching pedagogy, team building, and guest speakers. Details about leadership camp will be communicated via your uark email.

Registration for Leadership Camp will be in the Janzen Rehearsal Hall located in the Epley Band Building at 8:00 am on Friday, August 5th (during this time you will also pick up your requested school owned instrument). Please be sure to have completed your [Health, Consent, and Release Form](#) prior to your arrival.

Early Week - August 12-20

Early week will begin on Friday, August 12th and continuing into Saturday, August 21st. See [here](#) for a detailed schedule.

Important: you must complete both your [Health, Consent, and Release Form](#) before you can check-in.

RMB Year At A Glance

Take a look at the fall calendar [here](#).

On-Campus Move-In

On campus move-in for band members will take place on Thursday, August 11th. You will need to choose a time for move-in on your housing portal. If you have questions, call University Housing at (479) 575-4687.

Off-Campus Move-In

The RMB will not allow you to miss anything on the Early Week schedule to move into off-campus housing. If you need an official note from the band office, that can be found [here](#).

RMB Required Merchandise - order [here](#)

Orders for required merchandise must be paid for by **July 8th, 2022**. If you haven't purchased your required RMB merchandise, do so [here](#). If you have any questions about this process, please reach out to [JR Hinkson](#).

RMB Optional Merchandise - order [here](#)

Optional merchandise can be ordered through our [online store](#) until **July 15th, 2022**. Items will be shipped approximately two weeks after the store closes.

Sorority Rush Conflicts

Those who will register for sorority rush will be contacted at some point before Early Week. We have had numerous students successfully participate in both and are in contact with Greek Life to coordinate schedules. You will receive information from Dr. Summers regarding sorority rush before the start of Early Week. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact [Dr. Summers](#).

Registration

All 2022 RMB members should now be registered for marching band class on UAConnect. The course numbers for marching band registration are:

- Freshman Marching Band I - MUEN 1441
- Sophomore Marching Band II - MUEN 2441
- Junior Marching Band III - MUEN 3441
- Senior Marching Band IV - MUEN 4441
- Fifth-Year Senior Marching Band V - MUEN 4941
- Graduate Student - MUEN 5441

RMB Placement Auditions

For all winds, initial placement in the pregame and halftime drills will be based on your playing audition for chair placement and marching audition.

- The playing audition will be on Monday, August 15th.
- The marching audition component will be taught during the first two days of Early Week, and auditions will also take place on Monday, August 15th.

Audition materials will be available on Tuesday, July 5th in the "Band Members Only" section of bands.uark.edu. Enter your university email user name and password to access this section. Files are in PDF format, organized by instrument under the heading "Fall 2022 RMB Chair Placement Excerpts." The fight song excerpt must be MEMORIZED. You may use the music for the other excerpts. If you have any questions, please contact [Dr. Summers](#).

Food Restrictions and Allergies

When planning meals, we will try to provide appropriate foods for those with special diets due to allergies and food sensitivities. However, please know that you are always welcome to bring your own meal to substitute any meal that is provided by the UA Bands. We will make sure that all the restrictions you placed on your [June Survey](#) are accommodated.

Wind Ensemble and Wind Symphony

Auditions for the fall 2022 concert bands will take place **Saturday, August 20th** and **Sunday, August 21st** in the Epley Band Building. Membership in the concert bands is open to all students, regardless of major. Students who are not music majors are all welcome to participate in the Fall concert bands. Both bands will meet at the same time, and you may pre-register for either class by adding one of the course numbers listed below. If audition results warrant a change in registration we can assist you with this after auditions.

Wind Ensemble (Knighten)

Rehearsal times: MWF, 12:55 – 2:15

Course Number: MUEN 1691, 2691, 3691, 4691, 4861

Wind Symphony (Summers)

Rehearsal times: MWF, 12:55 – 2:15

Course Number: MUEN 1461, 2461, 3461, 4461, 5461

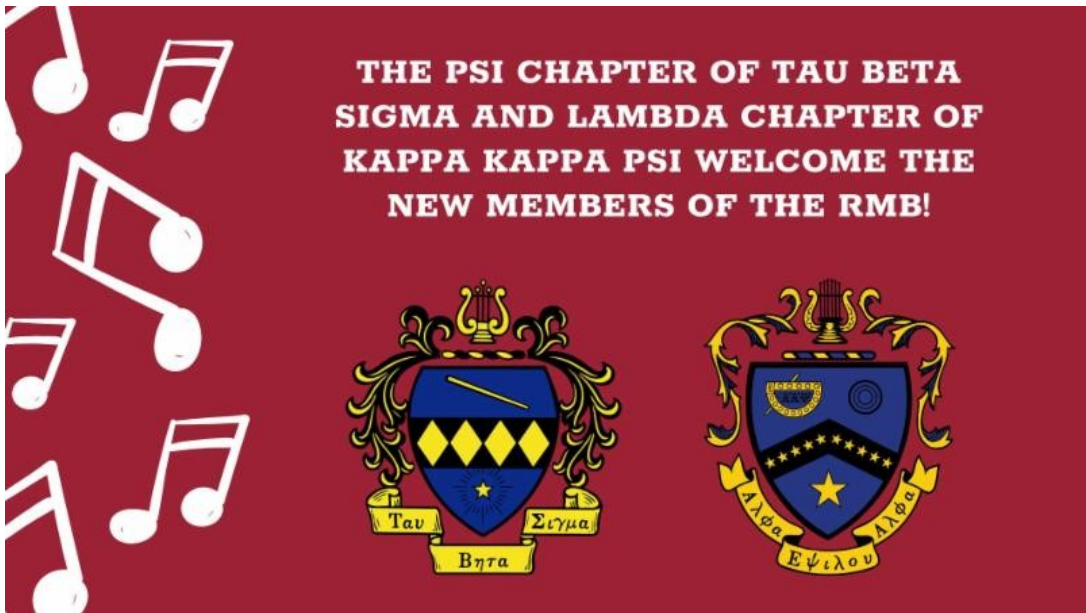
These are live, face-to-face auditions with only two brief excerpts (less than ninety seconds each) and the chromatic scale. Complete audition information and audition excerpts have been posted in the “Band Members Only” section at bands.uark.edu. You may access this section by using your UARK username and password.

Please contact [Dr. Knighten](#) if you have questions about auditions.

Scholarships

For students receiving a scholarship - do not expect the award to post to your UAConnect account until at least the first week of school. No late fees will be assessed to your account for a balance that a scholarship in process will cover.

Make sure at this time that **you are enrolled** in the proper courses so your scholarship disbursement is not delayed. If you have any questions about your scholarship requirements, please reach out to [JR Hinkson](#).



University of Arkansas Bands

1 University of Arkansas
Fayetteville, AR 72701
479-575-2000

Contact Us



University of Arkansas Bands | 103 Lewis Epley Jr. Band Hall, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701-1201

Unsubscribe {recipient's email}

Update Profile | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by bands@uark.edu powered by



Try email marketing for free today!

THIS IS A TEST EMAIL ONLY.

This email was sent by the author for the sole purpose of testing a draft message. If you believe you have received the message in error, please contact the author by replying to this message. Constant Contact takes reports of abuse very seriously. If you wish to report abuse, please forward this message to abuse@constantcontact.com.