# Join the University High School Band and Marching Trojan Regiment

### How to join

- 1. **Google Form** Sign up for Band through the music program by completing the google form found here <u>Uni Band Auditions</u>. Only complete this form when you have confirmed your participation with your parents.
- 2. **Register for Symphonic Band** with your school counselor. Make sure to have a family conversation about joining the music program before registering with your counselor.
- **3.** Register for Marching Band with your school counselor if you would like to join. You must be enrolled in one of the band or orchestra classes to be eligible for marching band. We accept all levels of talent and experience in the marching band. This is the best way for you to improve on your instrument and learn how the band program works. Marching band takes place during zero period during the first quarter only. Attendance at Band Camp is mandatory.
- **4. Register for Jazz Band** with your school counselor. Freshmen are encouraged to take jazz band this year. Jazz starts second quarter right when marching band finishes. Jazz band will take place during zero period.
- 5. Ensemble placement You can find the audition music for your instrument by clicking here (<u>Uni Band Audition Music 2023</u>) or by visiting our website at <u>https://universityhigh.iusd.org/arts/instrumental-music</u>. You will submit a video of you playing the audition music. Results will be communicated before the end of the school year.
- 6. Mark your calendars to attend the University High School Marching Trojan Regiment Camp (marching band members only). The camp will take place from August 7th through 11th and 14th through 18th from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We will be learning music and marching maneuvers for our fall competitive field show and the songs we will be playing in the stands at football games. <u>This is a</u> <u>mandatory event for all Marching Trojan Regiment members, so mark your</u> <u>calendars now!</u>

### **Things to Consider**

- 1. We're not just teaching music Our priority is teaching ideals about teamwork, responsibility, hard work, and selflessness. The bi-product of teaching these ideals is a great band program.
- 2. We do a lot of fun things From beach bonfires and Galaxy Bowling events, to the spring trips we take (Hawaii 2009, Bahamas/Disney World 2011, Hawaii 2013, Bahamas/Disney World 2015, Hawaii 2018, Hawaii 2022), we know how to have a good time. You will make a lot of friends, be proud of your accomplishments in the band, and have a good time in the process. Don't miss out on the fun.
- 3. **Our students are the best** We have proof! Band students take the same amount of academic classes that non band students take. We have students who get into top Ivy League schools. We have students who get perfect scores on their SAT tests. You can be a great student and be in band and marching band.
- 4. Universities like to see well rounded students. Showing a university that you know how to be part of a team and understand what it means to be committed to something for four years is very important.
- 5. Band and Marching Band You must be enrolled in a band or orchestra class to also participate in the Marching Trojan Regiment. While you do not HAVE to be in the Marching Trojan Regiment, it really gives students the complete experience. You are going to LOVE this ensemble. Marching Band satisfies the PE requirements after your freshmen year. If you have to take a PE class anyway, let it be marching band! Anyone can join! Marching band is a place to learn. All skill levels accepted!
- 6. Jazz- We have a phenomenal jazz program. When marching band concludes in November, we immediately form our 3 levels of jazz ensembles. We play a lot of fun music from swing to funk to latin and rock. Auditions will take place at the beginning of the second quarter. All students are welcome to join. If you don't currently play a jazz instrument, we can help you with the transition.

1st Semester		2nd Semester	
1st quarter	2nd quarter	3rd quarter	4th quarter
Marching Band	Jazz		

### Uni Band Offerings

Encouraged

Mandatory

Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, or Wind Symphony

7. **Sports!** – You can be in any sport and still play in band. If you play a winter or spring sport, you can still be in the Marching Trojan Regiment with no conflict at all. You may play in a fall sport and the marching band, but will need to make some sacrifices since they practice at the same time.

UNIVERSITY TROJAN SPORTS by SEASON			
FALL	WINTER	SPRING	
Boys/Girls Cross Country	Boys Basketball	Baseball	
Football	Girls Basketball	Boys Golf	
Girls Golf	<b>Boys Soccer</b>	Boys Lacrosse	
Girls Tennis	Girls Soccer	Girls Lacrosse	
Girls Volleyball	<b>Girls Water Polo</b>	Softball	
Boys Water Polo	Wrestling	Boys / Girls Swim	
		Boys Tennis	
		Boys / Girls Track	
		Boys Volleyball	

- 8. **Marching Band Rehearsals** take place during zero period, which begins at 7:00 am. There are no after school rehearsals. This schedule allows students much more time to focus on their studies.
- 9. Interested in trying a new instrument? We are in need of more double reeds (oboe and bassoon), french horn, and low brass players. Let Mr. Heddon know if you're interested.
- 10. **Talent** If you do not play a band instrument we will teach you how to play. If you play a string instrument or have played the piano in the past, we can teach you what you need to know in order to be a successful member of the band. Even if you have never had any music training you can still be involved.
- 11. **Communicate** We must know whether you will be joining or not by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Make sure that you follow the steps below to ensure that you have a spot in this amazing ensemble.
- 12. **Orchestra Students** If you are enrolled in orchestra at Uni, you are now eligible to participate in marching band. You may need to provide your own instrument and learn the basics over the summer before band camp, but we can help you learn from the older members in your section. See Mr. Heddon for more details.

## **Percussion Information**

We provide a well-rounded percussion education at University High School. Since drumline must perform at a high level before school begins, we focus on teaching the techniques associated with drumline and assigning parts to that ensemble during Percussion Camp, which takes place the week before band camp.

**Marching Percussion Placement** - There are Drumline clinics scheduled for Monday, April 24th and Monday, May 22nd, 4-6PM. The Pit clinics will be Wednesday, April 26th and Wednesday, May 24 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm at the Uni Band Room. This will help you prepare for the audition that will take place on Saturday, May 27, 2022, 10:00am - 3:00pm. If you do not attend, you will not be able to join the drumline.

**Percussion Camp** is where the real magic of the drumline begins. The group builds its identity as a unit and learns how to work together to make the best possible musical and educational experience for all of the members. These rehearsals are mandatory. If you have a conflict, check with the instructors to see if your absence will exclude you from participating.

Please contact Corey Heddon with any questions at CoreyHeddon@iusd.org

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**Pit Clinics** Wednesday, April 26th, 4:00pm to 6:00pm Wednesday, May 24 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm

### **Drumline Audition**

Saturday, May 27, 2022, 10:00am - 3:00pm

Percussion Camp July 31- August 4, 1:00pm - 6:00pm

Band Camp August 7 - 11 and 14 - 18, 8:00am - 3:30 pm

## **Color Guard Information**

The color guard is an awesome team of committed members. During the fall semester this group of "visual musicians" is simply one of the sections of the marching band. When marching band concludes in November they continue independently of the bands in the Winter Guard activity which takes place indoors (gymnasiums) where they perform a designed show to pre-recorded music.

Color Guard clinics and auditions will take place April 25th - 29th from 4:00 - 6:00. While we hope to offer everyone a spot on the team, that is not always possible.

Color Guard takes place during zero period and covers your PE requirement. This allows color guard members the ability to have an extra elective, which is available to very few other students on the campus.

**Color Guard Auditions** May 15 - 18, 6:00pm-8:30pm

**Color Guard Camp** July 31 - August 4, 1:00pm - 6:00pm

Band Camp

August 4 - 11 and 14 - 18, 8:00am - 3:30 pm