

The Maverick Marching Band Dr. Joshua Kearney, Director

August 8, 2019

Dear Maverick Marching Band Member:

Greetings and welcome to the Maverick Marching Band (MMB)—the <u>flagship organization of the UNO Athletic</u>
<u>Bands!</u> We have been busy preparing for the 2019 season and are looking forward to your arrival. Note that parking on the UNO Campus is <u>open</u> from Aug. 12-25. You may park in any of the faculty/staff/student surface lots during this time. <u>This does not include metered spots, reserved stalls (including handicapped and visitor), residence lots, or timed areas.</u> See additional attachments for Supplemental Forms (medical form, personal image release, maps, parking, etc.).

Appropriate MMB personnel are to report on the following schedule:

Percussion Camp (all new and returning percussionists) | Aug. 12-16, 2019 (reports daily from 8 AM – 5 PM) Color Guard Camp (all new and returning color guard members) | Aug. 14-16, 2019 (reports 8 AM – 1 PM) Returning Members Camp & Registration | Aug. 17, 2019 (reports from 11 AM – 4 PM) New Members Camp & Registration | Aug. 18, 2019 (reports from 11 AM – 4 PM) Full Band Meeting | Aug. 18, 2019 (all members report at 6:00 PM) Full Band Preseason Camp | Aug. 19-23, 2019 (all members report daily from 8 AM – 5 PM) Freshmen Orientation | Aug. 19-23, 2019 (all new members report each evening – see detailed schedule) Freshmen Convocation | Aug. 25, 2019 (afternoon – all members)

**Rehearsal Location**: The UNO Center Dome is located at the intersection of Spring Street and S. 67th Street. There is plenty of open parking at this facility. Parking here is open at all times – no permit required. The physical address is 6808 Spring St., Omaha, NE 68106. This is the location where regular season rehearsals (MWF 4:45-6:15 PM) and much of Preseason will take place. Once classes officially begin, students have the option to ride a shuttle to the Center Dome from the School of Music for regular rehearsals. It will depart the SOM promptly at 4:15 PM and return to the SOM immediately following rehearsal.

**Residence Halls/Dorms**: For those of you who will be living in residence halls/dorms, you must contact the residence life office ASAP in order to secure your early arrival time. Move-in for preseason camp is an "item drop" – meaning you will have a brief time to get your key and relevant move-in information before quickly placing your items in your room. Many students do this the morning of New/Returning members camp. You can reach the appropriate housing office using the numbers below:

Dodge Campus: 402.554.6605Scott Campus: 402.778.6541

Medical Form/Personal Image Release: If you have not yet completed your Medical Form or your Personal Image Release Form, they are included within the attachment. Please bring those completed forms with you to registration. All individuals under the age of 19 must have a parent/guardian co-sign the Personal Image Release Form. This is a university policy. If you do not complete your form(s) in advance, you should have a parent/guardian present at registration to co-sign the Image Release and/or have access to relevant insurance information for your Medical Form.

Instrument Checkout/Materials/Uniform Fee: Instrument checkout for woodwind/brass instruments will take place at registration. There is no fee to do this. You will, however, need to have your UNO ID number from your MavCard. Percussion and Color Guard will receive equipment during their respective Preseason camps. If you indicated that you play multiple instruments, these will be finalized before the end of the first day of regular Preseason camp (Aug. 19). Additionally, all uniform fees will be collected at the time of registration. The cost is \$35 and must be paid with check or cash. The UNO Bands do not accept credit/debit cards. It is your responsibility to make sure you have all required materials—including lyres and flipbooks, reeds, etc. Schmitt Music will be on-site at New Member registration on Sunday and will have these and other items for sale. They will be accepting cash, checks, and credit cards for payment.

Percussionists: Please bring drumsticks with you to Preseason Camp. You are responsible for wearing appropriate clothing. You should plan to bring a water bottle, sunscreen, athletic shoes/socks, hearing protection, etc. Instrument assignments will be made during camp (including front ensemble, battery, electronics, etc.). We will be collecting your Personal Image Release and Medical Forms (in attachment) on the first day of Percussion Camp; we will also have blank copies of these forms for you there for your convenience when you report. If you do not complete your form(s) in advance, you should have a parent/guardian present to co-sign the Image Release and/or have access to relevant insurance information for your Medical Form.

Color Guard: You will receive a practice flag during your Preseason Camp. This equipment is property of the UNO Bands and will be checked out to you to use throughout the season. Failure to return equipment may result in grades being held and the replacement cost being charged to you (and eventually collections). You are responsible for wearing appropriate clothing for outside practices. You should plan to bring a water bottle, sunscreen, athletic shoes/socks, and any special hand protection you wish to wear. We will be collecting your Personal Image Release and Medical Forms (in attachment) on the first day of Color Guard Camp; we will also have blank copies of these forms for you there for your convenience when you report. If you do not complete your form(s) in advance, you should have a parent/guardian present to co-sign the Image Release and/or have access to relevant insurance information for your Medical Form.

Shoes/Gloves: All band members are required to own appropriate performance footwear. Wind players/Percussionists will need black marching shoes with a matte finish—not shiny. They must be in <a href="mailto:excellent physical condition">excellent physical condition</a>. Color Guard members will have a specific Color Guard shoe ordered by UNO Bands staff. If you need to purchase shoes, please notify the UNO Bands Graduate Assistant at the time of in-person registration if you did not indicate that you needed us to order shoes on your Google Form. The first shoe order was made on Aug. 8. The cost of the shoes is \$30. Payment must be remitted before you receive the shoes from the UNO Bands. This can be paid at the time of registration and is <a href="mailto:not covered">not covered</a> as part of the \$35 uniform fee. Our staff will be making a final shoe order on the <a href="mailto:first day of regular">first day of regular</a> Preseason camp. If you order your shoes later than this date, late/rush charges may apply. As part of the uniform fee, wind players/percussionists will receive a pair of performance gloves. The Director will order Color Guard-specific rehearsal/performance gloves during Color Guard camp. Due to cost, Color Guard rehearsal/performance gloves are not provided as part of your uniform fee, but they will be appropriately discounted.

We are looking forward to your arrival on campus and are excited about your membership in the Maverick Marching Band. Great things are in store for you – I am eager to begin! See you soon. Go Mavs!

Sincerely,

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