

The Maverick Marching Band Dr. Joshua Kearney, Director

August 6, 2021

Dear Maverick Marching Band Member:

Greetings and welcome to the Maverick Marching Band—the *flagship organization of the UNO Athletic Bands!* We are busy preparing for the 2021 season and are looking forward to your arrival. I've got a terrific working performance calendar that I think you will all find safe, varied, and enjoyable that will be shared online in the coming days. Note that parking on the UNO campus is <u>open</u> from Aug. 9-22. 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>

Appropriate MMB personnel are to report on the following schedule:

Percussion Camp (new and returning percussionists) | Aug. 9-13, 2021 (reports <u>Monday 8-noon</u>, others from 8 AM – 5 PM) Color Guard Camp (all new and returning color guard members) | Aug. 11-13, 2021 (reports 8 AM – 1 PM) Returning Members Camp & Registration | Aug. 14, 2021 (reports from 11 AM – 4 PM) New Members Camp & Registration | Aug. 15, 2021 (reports from 11 AM – 4 PM) Full Band Meeting | Aug. 15, 2021 (all members report at 6:30 PM) Full Band Preseason Camp | Aug. 16-20, 2021 (all members report daily from 8 AM – 5 PM) Freshmen Orientation | Aug. 16-20, 2021 (all new members report each evening – see detailed schedule for times) ***MMB Photos | Aug. 21, 2021 (reports from 9:45 – 11:00 AM)—NEW ADDITION TO SCHEDULE** New Student Convocation | Aug. 22, 2021 (evening TBD – 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 (SOM) 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 contact information below:

- Email: unohousing@unomaha.edu
- Dodge Campus: 402.554.6605
- Scott Campus: 402.778.6541

Medical Form/Personal Image Release: If you have not yet completed your Medical Form or your Personal Image Release Form, please complete it online at www.UNOBands.com. 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.

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. Additionally, uniform fees will be collected at the time of registration. The cost is \$35 and may paid in person using check/cash or online at <u>www.UNOBands.com</u>. Please inform the director privately if financial assistance is needed. 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.). The schedule for the first day of percussion camp (Aug. 9) has been amended due to COVID restrictions (to avoid sharing of equipment). Students will be dismissed early following instrument placement—no later than noon. <u>This is not an audition for acceptance into the MMB – just placement to ensure appropriate instrument assignments.</u> All equipment will be sanitized between interviews.

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.

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 <u>excellent physical condition</u>. 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 MMB Registration Form. The cost of the shoes is \$30. Payment must be remitted before you receive the shoes from the UNO Bands. Please inform the director privately if financial assistance is needed. This can be paid at the time of registration and is <u>not covered</u> as part of the \$35 materials fee. Our staff will be making a final shoe order on the **first day of regular 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.

The faculty and staff at the University of Nebraska at Omaha are committed to the safety of all our students, faculty, and staff. All rehearsals and performances will comply with the latest COVID-19 guidance from the CDC, the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, and from the internationally recognized Performing Arts Aerosol Study sponsored by the College Band Directors National Association and the National Federation of State High School Associations. For more information on UNO's COVID-19 response, please visit the Maverick COVID Response webpage accessible at www.unomaha.edu.

For more information about the UNO Band Program—including information about participating in the "Maverick Machine" Pep Band and our terrific concert bands—please visit us online at <u>www.UNOBands.com</u>. 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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MAVERICK MARCHING BAND

2021 Tentative Preseason Camp Schedule *Times/locations may be adjusted in the event of rain.*

Early Dorm Move-In: For all students that plan on staying in University Housing and need an early arrival date, please make sure to contact University Housing ASAP.

> Housing Contact: unohousing@unomaha.edu

Dodge Campus: 402.554.6605 | Scott Campus: 402.778.6541

PER UNIVERSITY COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Marching band students must wear a mask for **indoor** music rehearsals regardless of vaccination status. Marching band students will **not be required to mask in outdoor rehearsals**. Students will be socially distanced at 6' to avoid having to wear masks/bell covers outdoors.

Please visit the Maverick COVID Response Webpage for the latest guidance on university events for summer and the 2021-22 academic year at <u>https://www.unomaha.edu/maverick-covid-response/index.php</u>.

Monday, August 9, 2021

8:00 AM	 Percussion report to UNO Center Dome—(new & returning percussionists) Center Dome address: 6808 Spring St. (see attached map) Registration/payment (if not completed online) Students under the age of 19 must have a Parent/Guardian sign image release form.
12:00 PM	Dismissal; music distributed online in the afternoon once the line has been set.

	<u>Tuesday, August 10, 2021</u>
8:00 AM	 Perc report to UNO Center Dome—(new & returning percussionists) Registration/payment (if not completed online) Equipment check-out
12:00 PM	Lunch (on your own)
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- 1:00 PM Rehearsals resume
- 5:00 PM Dismissal

Wednesday, August 11, 2021 - Thursday, August 12, 2021

8:00 AM	 Perc report to UNO Center Dome—(new & returning percussionists) Color Guard (CG) reports to Strauss Performing Arts Center Lobby (SPAC)—(new & returning guard) Parking on the UNO Campus is open from Aug. 9-22, 2021. You may park in any of the faculty/staff/student surface lots during this time. This does not include metered spots, reserved stalls (including handicapped and visitor), residence lots, or timed areas. Registration/payment (if not completed online), equipment check-out Students under the age of 19 must have a Parent/Guardian sign image release form. 			
12:00 PM	Perc goes to lunch (on your own), CG rehearsals continue			
1:00 PM	Perc rehearsal resumes, CG Dismissal			
5:00 PM	Perc dismissal			

	Friday, August 13, 2021			
8:00 AM	 Perc report to UNO Center Dome—(new & returning percussionists) CG/Leadership: Uniform fitting at School of Music for CG/Leadership according to schedule below: Color Guard: 8:30-9:30 AM Leadership Team: 10:00-11:00 AM 			
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10:00 AM	CG rehearsals resume			
12:00 PM	Perc Lunch (on your own) Leadership reports to SPAC 109 for Leadership Seminar from 12:00-5:00 PM (lunch not provided/COVID)			
1:00 PM	CG rehearsals conclude Perc rehearsals resume at Center Dome			
5:00 PM	Dismissal			

All MMB members are required to provide their own water cooler at all rehearsals. Please drink only water and sports drinks at rehearsals. You should not drink carbonated beverages during Preseason camp. Please plan ahead. All MMB members must also wear proper footwear to marching rehearsals—no sandals or hiking boots. Only wear "low-cut" athletic shoes along with clothing appropriate for marching. It is also advised that all MMB members use sunscreen during outdoor rehearsals. Hats are also recommended to keep sun off of your face and chops.

Saturday, August 14, 2021

11:00 AM Returning Members (no twirlers/no percussion) report to UNO Center Dome (6808 Spring St.–map attached)

- Rain space TBA: Dr. Kearney will email everyone registered for camp in the event of rain.
- Registration/payment (if not completed online), equipment check-out, mask/bell cover distribution
- Students under the age of 19 must have a Parent/Guardian sign Personal Image Release Form.

You are responsible for acquiring a flipbook and lyre for the season.

- 12:00 PM Returning Members (no twirlers) report to west field (Center Dome) with instruments/equipment. Be dressed for marching. Must wear "low-cut" running/work-out shoes (no sandals, etc.) and proper athletic clothing suitable for marching.
 CG: bring practice flag Perc: wear harnesses (no instruments)
- 4:00 PM Dismissal (or earlier)

Sunday, August 15, 2021

- 11:00 AM **New/Freshmen Members**¹, Leadership, Twirlers, All Percussion report to UNO Center Dome (6808 Spring St.–map attached)
 - Rain space SPAC CH: Dr. Kearney will email everyone registered for camp in the event of rain.
 - Registration/payment (if not completed online), equipment check-out, mask/bell cover distribution
 - Students under the age of 19 must have a Parent/Guardian sign Personal Image Release Form.

You are responsible for acquiring a flipbook and lyre for the season. Schmitt Music will be on hand today to sell you these items—cash, check, credit cards accepted.

- 12:00 PM
 Freshmen, Leadership, Twirlers, Percussion report to west field (Center Dome) with instruments/equipment. Be dressed for marching. Must wear "low-cut" running/work-out shoes (no sandals, etc.) and proper athletic clothing suitable for marching.
 CG: bring practice flag
 Perc: wear harnesses (no instruments)
- 4:00 PM Afternoon Dismissal
- 6:30 PM All Members report to the Concert Hall in the Strauss Performing Arts Center on the Dodge Campus for "Back to Band" Meeting (see map). Dinner not provided (COVID); eat prior to meeting.

¹ ALL NEW MEMBERS of the band are considered freshmen regardless of actual class rank at UNO.

Monday, August 16, 2021

8:00 AM	ALL: Rehearsal on west field with equipment (Center Dome)
10:15 AM	Winds: Travel on your own to Strauss (SPAC) room 109 for music rehearsal beginning at 11:00 AM. Aux (CG & Twirlers)/Perc: Continue as earlier
11:00 AM	Winds: Music Rehearsal begins in SPAC 109 (masks/bell covers required) Aux/Perc: Continue as earlier All: Uniform Fitting/Distribution throughout the day
12:00 PM	Winds: Music Sectionals/Memorization (locations TBA)
	 SPAC CH SPAC 105 SPAC 160 SPAC 160 SPAC Lobby
	Aux/Perc: TBA
1:00 PM	All: Lunch (on your own)
2:30 PM	Winds: Music Rehearsal in SPAC 109 Aux/Perc: TBA
3:30 PM	Winds: Music Sectionals/Memorization (locations TBA) Aux/Perc: TBA
4:30 PM	Winds: Music Rehearsal in SPAC 109 Aux/Perc: TBA
5:00 PM	All: Dismissal TAs reset SPAC 109 for next day's rehearsals.
6:30 PM	Freshmen Orientation: SPAC Concert Hall (CH) <u>All freshmen band members and leadership required to attend.</u>

Tuesday, August 17, 2021

8:00 AM	ALL: Rehearsal on west field with equipment (Center Dome)
	New TAs: Report to SPAC for School of Music Graduate Orientation.

- 10:15 AM Winds: Travel on your own to Strauss (SPAC) room 109 for music rehearsal beginning at 11:00 AM. Aux/Perc: Continue as earlier
- 11:00 AM Winds: Music Rehearsal begins in SPAC 109 (masks/bell covers required) Aux/Perc: Continue as earlier All: Uniform Fitting/Distribution throughout the day

12:00 PM	Winds: Music Sectionals/Memorization (locations TBA) Aux/Perc: TBA
1:00 PM	All: Lunch (on your own)
2:30 PM	Winds: Music Rehearsal in SPAC 109 Aux/Perc: TBA
3:30 PM	Winds: Music Sectionals/Memorization (locations TBA) Aux/Perc: TBA
4:30 PM	Winds: Music Rehearsal in SPAC 109 Aux/Perc: TBA
5:00 PM	All: Dismissal TAs reset SPAC 109 for next day's rehearsals.
6:30 PM	Freshmen Orientation: SPAC CH All freshmen band members and leadership required to attend.

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

	TAs retrieve truck/van from Penske and take to Center Dome.
8:00 AM	ALL: Rehearsal on west field with equipment (Center Dome)
10:15 AM	 Winds: Travel on your own to Strauss (SPAC) room 109 for music rehearsal beginning at 11:00 AM. Aux: Continue as earlier Perc: Load truck for music rehearsals in SPAC 109 after lunch (include all battery equipment for DL/trooping). Percussion TA drives/parks truck on Dodge Campus after unloading at SPAC. Parking on campus is open outside of metered spots, reserved stalls (including handicapped and visitor), residence lots, or timed areas. Try to park in upper CEC lot next to SPAC.
11:00 AM	Winds: Music Rehearsal begins in SPAC 109 (masks/bell covers required). Aux/Perc: Continue as earlier All: Uniform Fitting/Distribution throughout the day
1:00 PM	All: Lunch (on your own)
2:30 PM	Winds/Perc: Music Rehearsal in SPAC 109 Aux: TBA
3:30 PM	Winds/Perc: Music Sectionals/Memorization (locations TBA) Aux: TBA
4:30 PM	Winds/Perc : Music Rehearsal in SPAC 109. Aux: TBA

- 5:00 PM **TAs** reset SPAC 109 for next day's rehearsals.
- 6:30 PM Freshmen Orientation: SPAC CH <u>All freshmen band members, leadership, and drumline required to attend.</u> Perc: Equipment may be stored in room 105 overnight.

Thursday, August 19, 2021

8:00 AM	Winds/Aux: Rehearsal on west field with equipment (Center Dome) Perc: Excused from morning rehearsal. Arrive at SPAC at 9:30am for Uniform Fitting!
9:30 AM	Perc: Uniform Fitting at Strauss (wear harnesses – retrieve harnesses from room 105)
10:00 AM	 Winds: Travel on your own to SPAC 109 for music rehearsal beginning at 10:45 AM. Perc: Continue as earlier Aux: TBD – depending on room in the CH, you may join the winds/percussion for music rehearsal and the CFAM kickoff performance noted below.
10:45 AM	Winds/Perc: Music Rehearsal begins in SPAC 109 (masks/bell covers required).Aux: Continue as earlierAll: Uniform Fitting/Distribution throughout the day
~11:15 AM	Winds/Perc: Fight Song Perf – CFAM Kickoff (khaki pants/shorts and MMB t-shirts)—wait in CH wings Winds/Perc: Music rehearsal to follow in SPAC 109. Aux: Continue as earlier
1:00 PM 2:30 PM	All: Lunch (on your own) Winds: Music Sectionals/Memorization (locations TBA) Aux: TBA
	Perc: Rehearsal in SPAC 105.
4:00 PM	Winds: Music Rehearsal in SPAC 109.Aux: TBAPerc: Load equipment into Penske truck and return to Center Dome. Equipment can stay on truck.
5:00 PM	Dismissal for all remaining members.
***8:30 PM	Freshmen Orientation: SPAC CH <u>All freshmen band members and leadership required to attend.</u>

<u>Friday, August 20, 2021</u>

- 8:00 AM **ALL**: Rehearsal on west field with equipment (Center Dome)
- 10:15 AM Winds: Travel on your own to SPAC 109 for music rehearsal beginning at 11:00 AM. Aux/Perc: Continue as earlier

- 11:00 AM Winds: Music Rehearsal begins in SPAC 109 (masks/bell covers required). Aux/Perc: Continue as earlier
- 12:30 PM All: Dismissal (may meet in sections independently before Freshmen Troop for sectional rehearsals) Perc/Tubas: Before dismissal, load necessary equipment onto Penske Truck. TAs will transport truck to Dodge Campus for the Freshmen Troop.
- 4:15 PM **All Members:** Report to TBD for Freshmen Troop—marching band t-shirt, khaki shorts/belts, and appropriate footwear.
- 4:30 PM FRESHMEN TROOP BEGINS—ALL MMB REQUIRED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE. At the conclusion of Freshmen Troop (approx. 5:45 PM), percussion/tubas load equipment into SPAC 105.

Saturday, August 21, 2021

- 9:45 AM All: Report to front steps of Arts and Sciences Hall with instruments in full uniform (no hats/gloves) for group photos. Rain location TBA.
 - Full Ensemble, Staff Headshots, Section Photos: Percussion (percussion with equipment), DMs/Twirlers, CG, Upper WW, Saxophones, Trumpets/Mellos, Trbs/Btones, Tubas

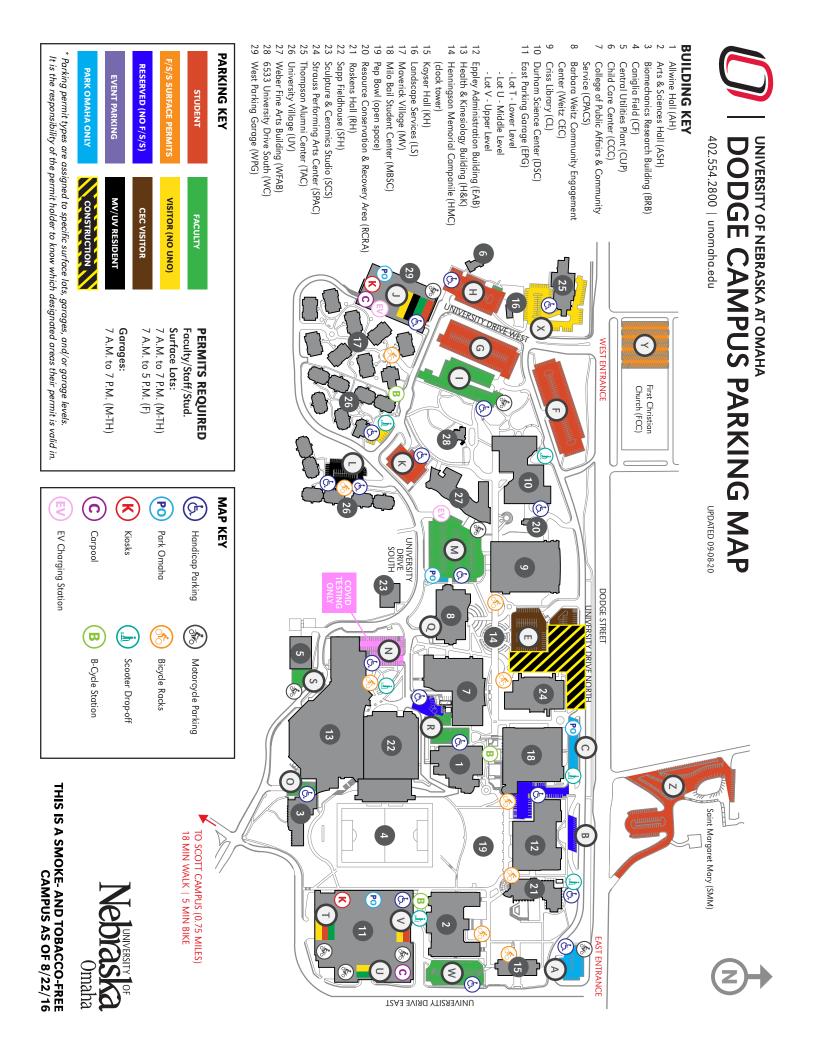
After photos: TAs/Percussion/Tubas load equipment into Penske Truck and return equipment to Center Dome. **TAs** return truck to Penske.

Sunday, August 22, 2021

- ~7:00 PM All: Group Rehearsal (West Field) marching band t-shirt and khaki shorts/belts.
- TBD Percussion: Depart for Tal Anderson Field for New Student Convocation
- TBD All Others: Depart for Tal Anderson Field for New Student Convocation
- TBD MMB Performance at New Student Convocation GO MAVS!
- TBD At conclusion of Convocation, all walk back to Dome as a group. Final Announcements (ladder)

Monday, August 23, 2021

- CLASSES BEGIN MMB follows regular rehearsal schedule: MWF 4:45 PM 6:15 PM
- Shuttles to regular rehearsals are provided. They depart promptly from the School of Music at **4:15 PM** and return to the School of Music immediately following rehearsal.
- Rehearsals take place on the west field at the Center Dome unless otherwise indicated.
- 100% enrollment in the course is **REQUIRED** (MUS 2750).



UNO Dome Map 6808 Spring St, Omaha, NE 68106

