

# T.A. HOWARD MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND

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## Congratulations on becoming a member of the State and National Award-winning T.A. HOWARD BAND

Your child has successfully completed their audition for placement in one of our three band classes: Honor Band, Symphonic Band, or Concert Band. Audition results will be posted by **Friday, May 28** in both the Howard & CTIS Band Hall (as well as online at [www.howardband.com](http://www.howardband.com)).

Honor Band meets everyday, as does Symphonic Band by utilizing our "Music Appreciation" class on B day. Since we don't have enough periods to have Concert Band meet every day, we divide them into Concert Woodwind/Percussion & Concert Brass classes. These placements allows us to develop your child's playing skills on a level commiserate with their ability. This also determines which period they will have band: Honor Band (3<sup>rd</sup> period A&B), Symphonic (1<sup>st</sup> period A&B), Concert Woodwinds (4<sup>th</sup> period A), Concert Brass (2<sup>nd</sup> period A). Percussionists also have their own percussion-only class as well (2<sup>nd</sup> period B) and are with their Band on A days.

That being said, every child that auditions is a member of the band program and a member of our combined **HOWARD PEP BAND**. The pep band plays from August to October at Summit Band night, all our pep rallies, and two football games (one Howard 8<sup>th</sup> grade A-team & one Summit game). We meet before school starts so we are ready to play our songs by Summit Band night and our first pep rally. Please see the calendar below for Summer Band Rehearsal dates and Band Registration the Saturday before. Here we take of all paperwork, supplies, and a few nominal fees before school even starts.

### UPCOMING HOWARD BAND EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**June 1-4 during school** - School-owned instruments from Howard will be delivered to your child's CTIS Band class. This is for Oboe, Bassoon, Bass Clarinet, Tenor & Bari Sax, French horn, Euphonium, & Tuba players.

#### Summer Band events begin Saturday, August 7, 2010

**Saturday, August 7, 8 am - 3 pm - Band Registration** – We will assign each student time slots throughout the day...so at the most this will take you about 1 hour to complete but saves us all tons of time once school starts. Detailed times and information on this day will be mailed out to you during the summer.

**Monday, August 9 – Friday, August 13 – Summer Band Rehearsals begin**

We start this early since the week immediately before school is mostly consumed with our MISD staff development. Specific times for each instrument will be mailed out over the summer with Registration info.

**Mon, Wed – August 16, 18 – Summer Band Rehearsal continue**

At these brief evening rehearsals, we will begin combining sections to refine our pep tunes.

**Friday – Aug 20 – 1:30-3:30 - Last Summer Band Rehearsal** – here we combine the entire band for the first time!

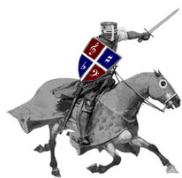
**Fri or Sat, Aug 20 or 21, 6-8 pm – Pep Band Performance @ Summit Band Night** (The exact date is still TBA)

**Saturday, August 21 – Band Swim Party – Hawaiian Falls**

You must **attend ALL summer band** rehearsals to be eligible to attend the party! **We get a discounted price of \$12 per student** and we will have our own pavilion as well!

**Monday, August 23 – First Day of school** – We will play on this day so bring your instrument.

For your child to have a successful start in the Howard Band, it is **very crucial** that they are in attendance at all these rehearsals and events. If you are going to be out of town on any of these dates, please email us so we are aware and can recommend ways for them to get caught up. We want every single child to join in this fun experience!



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## PRIVATE LESSONS

**Summer lessons** are an essential part of keeping your child playing their instrument. Those who have always taken lessons probably already have a time setup with your teacher. If you don't, please contact them ASAP for a weekly time. Our kids that are most successful are the ones taking lessons. In fact, the majority of our students take lessons starting in 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Also by starting in the summer, you will get the premium times once school starts.

### Flute

Kellie Bauerle  
817-692-3897  
Jennifer Hunter  
817-827-4651  
Ellen Kaner  
817-467-5784  
Nicole Neugent  
817-225-2543

### Oboe

Karen Victor  
817-559-1692

### Bassoon

Bret Newton  
940-736-5092

### Clarinet

Ellen Kaner  
817-467-5784  
Madelyn Moore  
817-676-4728

### Saxophone

David Wade  
817-994-3394  
Kurt Shafer  
713-498-9500  
Mark Smith  
972-358-5518

### Trumpet

Minerva Davis  
817-456-0713  
Jeff Norman  
940-206-8259

### Horn

Brian Brown  
214-770-7190  
Josh Davis  
817-368-3833  
Janet Nye  
817-319-2244

### Trombone

Brian Conklin  
214-315-0382  
Michael McKnight  
940-648-5018

### Euphonium/Tuba

Michael McKnight  
940-648-5018  
Sawyer Davis  
817-709-3538

### Percussion

Shawn Hart  
817-313-3605  
Cory Davis  
817-521-8034  
Emily Tannert  
512-560-0614

## SUMMER BAND CAMPS

**Band Camps** are the other great way to keep your children playing and get them excited about next year. There are many choices available, but UTA & TCU offer the closest, most affordable high-quality camps available:

- **UTA or TCU Band Camp - June 13-17**
- **Flood Fire West – June 21-25** (for Flutes only)
- **Ready Set Clarinet – July 12-16 @ Mansfield HS** (for Clarinets only)
- **Bocal Majority/Operation OBOE – July 12-16 @ Coppell Middle School East** (for Oboe/Bassoons only)
- **UTA Legend Brass Camp – July 11-16** (for all Brass only)

To find out more info or register online, simply Google the camp you are interested in.

Please check our website [www.howardband.com](http://www.howardband.com) or email us for questions!

See you in August! Have a great summer!