



# Delta State University Bands

## *The Pride of the Delta*

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### **Summer / Fall 2011 Information**

Thank you for your patience in receiving information. I normally try to have details to you in a timely manner but things have been slowed down slightly this summer due to the transition process. I've had the opportunity to meet some of you already and I look forward to meeting everyone else. I'm working to finish up details and arrangements on the half-time show and will announce that information as soon as it is ready. We have new music for Pre-game and several new tunes to play in the stands that I think you will really enjoy.

I am excited about this upcoming year and about the opportunity to work with you!

***Go Statesmen!***

### **BAND CAMP**

#### **Dorm Move-in**

The following times are available for you to move into your dorm prior to the start of Band Camp:

Friday, August 12

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Saturday, August 13

10:00 am – 12:00 noon

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Sunday, August 14

TBA

## Registration

The registration time on Sunday from 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm is for everyone. During this time you will fill out the registration form, check-out a school-owned instrument and be assigned a locker for those that need them. You can save time by printing out the registration form ahead of time (<http://www.deltastate.edu/pages/1544.asp>) and bringing it already filled out.

## Schedule

A detailed schedule is included. Evening rehearsal times may be adjusted to accommodate optional evening activities (swimming, bowling, etc...).

Uniform fittings will be handled in a different manner this year. Rather than taking your supper break, part of Thursday has been set aside for fittings. Please note, you only need to come in during your assigned time. You have the rest of the day off until the 3:30 rehearsal that afternoon.

Saturday is a short morning rehearsal to review what we have learned and to prepare for our end of camp exhibition performance. The exhibition will be a stand-still performance under the trees outside the Band Hall. We will invite the Music Department Faculty along with other guests from the University and community to hear the music for the upcoming marching season. This will be followed by a cook-out sponsored by Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and Mu Phi Epsilon.

Our first home game is now August 27, which is the first Saturday we are in school. The altered Band Camp schedule along with the stand-still exhibition at the end of camp will help us to focus our energy on being ready for this first performance. There will be some non-musical challenges to be ready for that first game (items that can't be ordered until band camp such as t-shirts, gloves, etc...) so details of what type of performance we do, what we wear, etc... are still being worked out. I will do my best to always get you information as soon as it becomes available.

## Ensemble Auditions

Wind Ensemble / Concert Band Auditions will take place on Monday, August 22 during the day. There are no classes that day and the times for each section to audition will be posted soon. **Everyone receiving a music scholarship must audition.** The audition music is available at <http://www.deltastate.edu/pages/4647.asp> This will allow you to register for the correct ensemble sooner, not have to play an audition after a marching band rehearsal and not tie up your evenings. Results will be posted Monday evening and Wind Ensemble will rehearse on the first day of classes.

## Wind Ensemble Concert

The first concert for Wind Ensemble is a 9/11 Remembrance Concert on Sunday, September 11 at 3:00 pm. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11 Tragedy and I feel it is important to remember this event. In addition to Patriotic selections, the program will include a tribute to the current and past members of the Armed Forces, a tribute to firefighters, police and rescue workers (our local members will be invited) and a memorial to those affected by the tragedy with possible multi-media presentation. The community will be invited and it is possible that the Chamber of Commerce, City of Cleveland, etc... will become a part of this event. We will only have six rehearsals to prepare this concert so it is vital that we take care of auditions and begin rehearsing that first Tuesday. I will choose literature that is attainable in that amount of time but still quality music.

### **2011 Pre-game**

Darkness On the Delta (*same song, same trumpet solo, etc... but re-arranged slightly*)

Statesmen Fight! (*high energy song with cheer / spell-out in the middle*)

Stars & Stripes Forever (*the trio of our National March designed to set up the National Anthem*)

National Anthem (*same version*)

DSU Alma Mater (*new arrangement, new key, new voicings*)

DSU Fight Song (*new arrangement, new key, new voicings*)

### **New Stands Tunes**

Jump On It! (*Brian Lindsay's arrangement with expanded wind parts*)

DSU Spirit Tunes (*Collection of short tunes for offense and defense moments in the game*)

The Hey Song (*the classic sporting event song, with new voicings*)

Dynamite (*Taio Cruz's hit*)

Here It Goes Again (*I'm a big fan of OK Go*)

(Tunes I hope to have finished in time: Bad Romance, 4 Minutes, Talkin' Out the Side Your Neck)