

April 16, 2009

Dear Parents and students,

Thank you for your interest in the 2009 UTHS Marching Panthers. We hope this packet of information answers many of your questions regarding the upcoming season, and we look forward to your enthusiastic participation in this great band.

Participation in Marching Band provides many great opportunities for students. Teamwork, leadership, dedication, and musicianship are but a few of the life lessons learned in this program. Our goal is to provide an excellent and thrilling experience for our students, and to have a good time while doing so.

Please know that we really do rely on our parents to provide the necessary volunteer support to ensure that our students receive a quality experience. Please look over the numerous opportunities for help and be as generous as you can with your time. We truly appreciate, need, and value our volunteer help. We think you will find it to be a gratifying experience.

Attendance at our rehearsals and performances is imperative and mandatory. All conflicts with our summer schedule must be turned in to our staff prior to June 10.

A competitive marching band does endure some expenses. While many competitive marching bands charge literally hundreds of dollars to participate, we have been able to keep the costs extremely low. Please note the expenses that are required and please make necessary payments on time. If you need an extension, please contact the band office to make arrangements. Thank you in advance for your attention to these important matters.

Finally, we are excited about this year's band! Our show is entitled "Dusk to Dawn" and features some absolutely thrilling music! Please check out a preview of some of the music to our show by going to www.uthsbands.com

We look forward to another terrific year, and we wish you all an enjoyable summer. Please feel free to contact the UTHS band office at any time should you need further assistance.

Sincerely,

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