

First Week of KGAB Guidelines - Fall 2020

*****Students must be masked at all times while not playing their instruments.*****

*****Students must maintain proper social distancing while in the building, traveling to the field, or during rehearsals.*****

What you need everyday

- ❖ Instrument
- ❖ Music binder
- ❖ Pencil
- ❖ Comfortable clothing & shoes to be outside for the entire block.
- ❖ Personal water bottle
- ❖ Music stand
 - We have enough for all students (except drum majors and guard) to have their own. YOU are responsible to sanitize this before you get it, and to sanitize it after use. Spray bottles of disinfectant and paper towels will be available. Don't litter!

Monday, August 24th OR Thursday August 27th

- Seated Students
 - Bring your instrument and music binder to the band room before school. Check with the director at the table in the band room and choose a locker. You will get a sticky note with the number and combination. Leave your instrument in the locker and go to your first block class.
 - When it is time for 4th block, retrieve your instrument and go to the PAC. Choose a seat that is no less than three seats away from the person next to you. Skip rows (front/back) and SOCIAL DISTANCE! Masks ON!
- Those who come only for 4th block
 - Enter through Door 17 and come to the PAC. Masks on - social distance seating as mentioned above. Bring the necessary items!

Once we are done in the PAC, we will go to the field. Make sure you dress appropriately. We will set the drill set for our "standing" performance on Friday night, and also play through whatever music we have time for. Plan on playing the Fight Song and National Anthem (Star-Spangled Banner) first.

- NO PERSONAL ITEMS SHOULD BE LEFT IN THE BAND ROOM FOR RETRIEVAL AFTER REHEARSAL - TAKE IT ALL TO THE FIELD. Some

instruments will be returned to the band room for overnight storage, i.e. Front Ensemble, Sousaphones, Bari-Sax, but you should plan to take your instrument home every day (don't want to be without it if you have to quarantine).

Tuesday, August 25th or Friday August 28th

- ❑ Seated students
 - ❑ Same protocol for instrument storage throughout the day. If you don't want to carry it around all day, leave it in your locker. Hope you remembered your combination!
 - ❑ Go straight to the field and get in the drill set from the day before. We will begin warm-up and rehearsal ASAP (get a music stand if you need it).
- ❑ 4th-Blockers
 - ❑ No reason to come in the building unless your instrument is one that is stored in the band room and cannot be taken home. Be safe while entering the room (mask, social distance, hand sanitizer, etc.)
 - ❑ If you don't need to be in the room, report directly to the football field - leave unnecessary items in your vehicle or on the sideline. (music stand)

During Rehearsal

- Masks ON during instruction.
- When you hear the word "SET", lower your mask and bring your instrument up.
- The words "Stand-by" or "Relax" are your cues to bring the mask back up, feet in the dot, but upper bodies relaxed.
- NO FACING ANY OTHER DIRECTION THAN FORWARD TOWARD THE DRUM MAJORS. We are minimizing the potential exposure to aerosol or other contaminants.
- No use of facilities the first 20 minutes or last 20 minutes of class. If possible, use the restroom before you arrive or after we're finished.

After Rehearsal - EVERYONE MUST BE MASKED AT ALL TIMES

- Students will be dismissed by grade level at the conclusion of rehearsal. This will also help ease traffic flow around campus.
- Gather all your belongings and take them home with you. Practicing at home is a necessity to prepare for high quality performances.

Virtual Day work (your non rehearsal days)

- Check CANVAS each day to see what is new and what needs to be done.
- First week assignment will be posted Monday morning.
- Practice for a minimum of 30 minutes each virtual day.

- ◆ Work on playing the music we're working on and memorizing it.
- Zoom conference/lesson will be Wednesday at 2:00pm for ALL STUDENTS.
- Submitting assignments is how you will be counted for attendance, so make sure you are keeping up, logging in, and submitting your stuff in a timely manner.

Thursday Night Rehearsal

- 6-9pm
- Football Field
- Use same guidelines for arrival as we did during the (brief) summer camps.
- Masks on - practice SOCIAL DISTANCING! Your well-being and the well-being of the entire ensemble depends on YOU doing what you can to keep EVERYONE safe. We are a TEAM and we need EVERYONE present and at 100% to perform!
- Band shirts will be distributed during rehearsal (fingers crossed).

Friday Night @ Home Football Game

- ★ Call time is TBA. This will be announced as soon as details are worked out.
- ★ We will be playing for Pre-Game as well as Halftime.
- ★ Once Halftime performance is done, all students will be dismissed.
- ★ You need to have a pair of khaki shorts to go with your band shirt, as well as tennis shoes. Should be warm that evening, but if you need a jacket, please bring your own. Jackets are not to be worn during performance.
- ★ Make sure your hair is nicely kept. No hats during performance, and if it's windy, make sure you have a way to control your hair that looks nice.
- ★ Some students will be seated in provided bleachers (socially distanced), however, there is not enough space for the entire band to be there (from what I've been told). Please bring a personal chair or blanket to sit on during the first half of the game. We will talk more about that this week and on Thursday night.

THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW FOR THIS WEEK

- **Be flexible. Be patient. Have grace.**
- **Be as prepared as you can. Things can change very quickly. We don't have all the answers, but will figure it out TOGETHER.**
- **If you have a question, ask. There aren't too many stupid questions right now.**
- **We miss you - we are so excited to get to work! Be safe and make good decisions, so we can all make the best of this crazy situation!**

~Scriven, Nimmo, & Mrs. P