

# 2025 “Pride of the Plains” Marching Band

## Band Camp & Season Information

Please join our Facebook group if you are going to be in the 2025 band or color guard!!! This is the best source for information during the summer when many new students have not yet enrolled or activated Gus Emails and Canvas notifications.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/324364284295650/>

All section leaders’ emails below. Please connect with them ASAP so they can put you on their section chats and rosters.

**ENROLL ASAP!!** Marching Band is a class; MUS 156-02 for Freshmen & Sophomores, MUS 356-02 for Juniors & Seniors, MUS 756-02 for grad students. Please enroll ASAP, activate your Canvas notifications to go to your email, and please **CHECK your GUS EMAIL regularly!!**

### **BAND CAMP**

August 11-15, Attendance at band camp is required for **ALL** members of the “Pride of the Plains.” Please adjust your summer vacation schedules accordingly. See schedule below for when you need to be here. If you absolutely **CANNOT** attend, \$100 will be deducted from your participation award.

### **Instrumentation Notes**

To increase our sound projection, I would LOVE for any woodwind players to march Piccolo, Saxophone, or brass. Any woodwind Music Ed-majors particularly enjoy a brass instrument? This experience will increase your effectiveness as a teacher! Let **Dr. Wilson** [joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu](mailto:joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu) know so we can get you an instrument. Any brass players on a music scholarship need approval from Dr. Wilson to play a different instrument. **We do NOT have a pit percussion section**....the football team has too much equipment on the front sideline for us to quickly get this equipment on.

### **Color guard Audition info:** [Color Guard Audition Info LINK](#)

**Drumline Audition info:** The drumline audition materials and instructions will be posted on the PSU “Current Student Information” page by April 15. The first round will be due by mid-May. Second round will be at the start of camp in August.

### **Uniforms & Instruments**

-Everyone needs **ALL BLACK TENNIS SHOES**; no colors or visible logos (no white “swoosh”) and **ALL BLACK ATHLETIC SHORTS** (no tights/spandex). New members receive a T Shirt & Hat to complete your “Rally Uniform.”

-Marching Band Uniforms will be checked out, though we wear the Rally Uniforms if it’s too hot.

-We have instruments you may rent for \$25 (you are responsible for any repairs beyond the \$25 fee).

## 2025 Band Camp Schedule

### **Dorms (When you can move in)**

- **Sunday, August 10, 3:30pm-5:30pm** Dorm Move-in for **Leadership, Guard, Percussion,** and **Optional Move-In** for anyone who needs, but please message [joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu](mailto:joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu) if you need this option!!
- **All other Brass and Woodwinds** can move in on **Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup> 9:30am-12pm.**
- **ANY OTHERS** – if you need a different move in time than listed above, contact **Kimberly Harries** [kharries@pittstate.edu](mailto:kharries@pittstate.edu) or **620-235-4466** as soon as possible.

Please note: There is a \$15 per night charge for your dorm during band camp that will be

added to your dorm fees.

**When you need to be at Band Camp - Everyone**

- **Drum Majors** Meet on Sunday 8/10 at 2:00pm in Bicknell Rehearsal Room
- **All Leadership** Report on Sunday 8/10 at 6:30pm for BBQ/Social Gathering- Location TBA (probably Dr. Wilson's house)
- **Percussion** Report Monday 8/11 at 10:00am in Bicknell Rehearsal Hall
- **Color Guard** Meet on Monday 8/11 at 10:00am in Weede Dance Studio
- **1<sup>st</sup> Year Brass and Woodwinds (Freshman, transfers, and new to PSU Band)** – Monday 8/11, First year orientation. Bicknell-Scott Performance Hall at 2:00pm (or Plaster if it is available)
- **Returning Woodwinds and Brass** – Monday 8/11, 1:00-2:45pm student store open for supplies and “Rally Uniform” – Location: Beat Factory.

**EVERYONE** – Opening Meeting at 3:00pm in Bicknell-Scott Hall (or Plaster)

**Things you need to bring with you to be prepared for camp:**

- instrument in good working condition
- lyre & flip folder (2 flip folders if you cannot memorize show music; the stand music folders are quite large and cumbersome to march with)
- 20 flip folder pages (make sure both sides are clear so you can use front and back)
- tennis shoes (**no sandals, flip flops, or boots**)
- cool clothes/hat
- sunglasses
- sunscreen!!!
- water bottle
- rain gear (poncho)
- pencil
- accessories (drumsticks, valve oil, reeds, neck strap, etc.)
- positive attitude and good work ethic!

**BAND CAMP DAILY SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>:**

3:30-5:30pm Move-in for all Section Leaders, Guard, Percussion & Optional move-in for anyone who needs; email [joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu](mailto:joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu) if you wish to utilize this option so I can let housing know how many to expect! Instrument Check-Out will be possible on Sunday afternoon for those moving in.

**Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup>:**

9:30am-12	Move-IN for all Winds and Brass
10am	Percussion Auditions at Bicknell Rehearsal Hall
10am	Color Guard Rehearsal Begin – Weede Dance Studio
Noon	*Lunch on your own
1-2:45pm	Returning Band Members get Supplies and other student store stuff from Beat Factory. You must buy any replacement Rally Uniform gear.
2pm	Freshman (1 <sup>st</sup> Year Band Members) Brass and Woodwind Orientation at Bicknell-Scott Performance Hall (with DM's/Section Leaders).
3pm	FULL BAND Opening Meeting at Bicknell-Scott Performance Hall
4pm	Freshman – go get your get “Rally Uniform” (Red Shirt, and Black Ball Cap) and

4:45-6pm other student store stuff from Beat Factory  
 Dinner on your own  
 6pm FULL BAND on Practice Field (across street from Bicknell Center)  
 7:00pm Bigs Meet Your Littles.  
 7:15pm Instrument check-out, then go to Tropical Snow with your Big Sibling.

**Tuesday-Thursday sample daily schedule:** (Friday ends early with a BBQ at 4:00pm)

8:30-11:30 Marching Rehearsal with Instruments on Practice Field  
 11:30-1PM Lunch on Your own  
 1:00-2:45 Sectionals  
 3-4PM Full Winds Rehearsal in Bicknell-Scott Performance Hall –  
 Percussion and Flags stay in your sectionals  
 4:00-6:00 Dinner on Your own  
 6:00-8:00 Marching/Music Ensemble Rehearsal – practice field  
 8:00 Social Activity

**Tuesday is Section Color Day!!**

*Percussion- Black Shirts*  
*Color Guard- Pink Shirts*  
*High WW (Flute and Clarinet)- Yellow Shirts*  
*Trumpets- Blue Shirts*  
*Middle Voice (Alto Sax & Mellophone)- Green Shirts*  
*TenorTones (Trombone, Tenor Sax, & Baritone)- White Shirts*  
*Sousaphones- Red Shirts*

**Wednesday Tropical Day!!** *Everyone Dress in your Tropical Best*

**Thursday is Section Costumes & Contest!!** *Mellophones won in 2024!*

**Friday is “Go Pitt State Spirit Day!!”** *Dress in Red & Gold/Gorilla Gear!!*

**2025 “Pride of the Plains” Staff & Leadership**

**Director:** Dr. Jobey Wilson [joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu](mailto:joseph.r.wilson@pittstate.edu)  
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**Uniform Manager:** Alex Ramirez-Perez

**Section Leaders**

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<b>Band Librarian:</b>	Alex Ramirez-Perez	

## 2025 Tentative Performance Schedule

Sept. 12	Paint the Town Red	6pm Pep Rally (5:45pm call at Jock's Nitch)
Sept. 13	Grand Valley State	4pm game (12:00pm rehearsal)
Sept. 20	Ft. Hays State	4pm game (12:00pm rehearsal) FAMILY DAY
Oct. 4	Nebraska-Kearney	2pm game (10:00am rehearsal)
Oct. 11	HOMECOMING!!	9:00am Parade (8:45am call at Bob's Grill)
	Washburn	2pm game (10:00am rehearsal)
<i>Oct. 18</i>	<i>**Possibly hosting KBA Marching Competition**</i>	
	<i>Band members will work the competition &amp; perform exhibition</i>	
Nov. 1	Missouri Southern	2pm game (10:00am rehearsal)
Nov. 15	Northwest Missouri	2pm game (10:00am rehearsal)
Dec. 1	Christmas Parade	6:00pm (5:45pm call at Bob's Grill)