Hey Band!

I hope you are enjoying a wonderful summer. I am thrilled about this year’s band and can’t wait to see everyone! Our first show will be a jazz show and will feature the music of Gordon Goodwin. It’s all up-tempo fun stuff that will be sure to melt some faces. It’s essentially four closers. It is sure to be a crowd pleaser that will have the audience throwing babies in the air and money on the field. Here are the tunes that will be included in the show:

- Count Bubba
- Jazz Police
- Hunting Wabbits
- Sing Sang Sung

As for our second show, we’ve have had a hard time deciding on the theme. Actually our drum majors have been fighting over ideas all summer. Of course, I really wanted to feature the music of One Direction. Unfortunately, my idea was quickly rejected. It is such a shame too, because One Direction is so much better than the Beatles. As you can imagine, Elaine insisted on a Disney Princess show. However, Raul wanted to do a show that somehow involved hunting the living dead. Finally, after a long and heated debate, we combined both Elaine and Raul’s ideas to form....wait for it....the first ever.....Zombie Disney Princess Show. The show will feature trumpet soloist Preston Beaty (he says "hi" by the way) as The Little Mermaid.

Seriously though, we have another amazingly talented group of incoming students joining the Buffalo Band this fall, and it’s going to be a killer band. For those of you who speak trombone, the Zombie Princess show is a joke. Sorry, Preston.

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We are going to be performing at Cowboys Stadium again this year on September 15th! Be sure to invite all your friends and family that live nearby. Last year's turnout was amazing. Our game against A&M Kingsville is at 8:00 p.m. and tickets are already on sale.

The last page contains a Band Information Card. Please email your responses today. We need to hear from everyone so that we can start planning the show. Check to see if we have you down for the appropriate instrument or color guard selection for marching band. Color guard and drumline members will begin prior to the winds. Please take note of the Early Band Schedule and the schedule of marching performances.

If you still need to register for band!

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If you know of any student that will be attending WTAMU in the fall and might be interested in joining the band, we would appreciate his or her name, address, and phone number. Please forward this information to me by email at rteweleit@mail.wtamu.edu or call me at (806) 651-2863.

Remember: PLEASE RETURN YOUR BAND INFORMATION CARD IMMEDIATELY. It is vital for our preparation for the fall season. Enjoy your summer, and we look forward to seeing you in August!

Sincerely,

Russ Teweleit

Welcome band members to the SCHOOL OF MUSIC at WTAMU! The TAMU Board of Regents has officially approved our “promotion” and we can all take pride in knowing that we have achieved this recognition because of the dedication of our talented students and the mentorship of your outstanding teachers.

As the new Director of the School of Music, I want to thank you for your commitment to the band and for coming back to campus early to start the marching season. Your skill contributes enormously to the university during the fall season, and is deeply appreciated across the campus. The marching band provides an essential component of the school spirit that makes your college years memorable, for you and for the entire student body. When you hear “Go Buffs!” it is not just a cheer for the football team—it is for you, too.

Being a School of Music has lots of benefits besides the status the name carries. It brings opportunities to grow and improve our already excellent program. As we move through our inaugural year and plan for the future of our school, think of the pride you will feel when you say, “I study in the School of Music at WT.” I urge you to appreciate the prestige of that claim, and to strive to be the very best you can be.

Have a great year, and GO BUFFS!

Dr. Robert Hansen
Regents Professor
A Note from Mom
(Your Band Mom, that is...)

We've seen some big changes here in the Music Department School of Music over the course of the last few months. Let me get you up to speed on what's going on:

- We are now a School of Music. That means there are going to be some subtle changes and some big changes. We are still learning what they are. Yes, that is a good thing.
- Dr. Bob Hansen is our new Director. Dr. Mark Bartley is the Associate Director. Dr. Krause has returned to his old, frantic teaching/advising schedule. These were official in mid-June, and now that we've had a little time to work together, I can report that “Dr. Bob” ROCKS as head of this place.
- We have some new faculty members and are re-arranging the staff. We would like to welcome Dr. Sean Pullen (stolen from ACU) as our new Director of Choral Activities, and Mrs. Helen Blackburn (WT alum and stolen back from years at TCU) as our new Lecturer of Flute. Mr. Jeremy Lewis is now Dr. Jeremy Lewis. Dr. James Rennier has returned as a tenured faculty member of the School of Music. He will teach Music Appreciation.
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- Music Librarian Rita Smith has taken a new position as Secretary for the School of Music. She now resides in FAC 202. Ensemble Secretary Tracy See (Hey, that's ME!) will be adjusting her role as Ensemble Secretary and transitioning into Recruiting. She will be in her current office (N 1012) for the 12-13 academic year. Kris Abu-Hantash left the university on June 1 to pursue other interests. We'll have a new Music Librarian shortly.
- You know her, you love her, she's here to stay...Dr. Jessica Mallard is no longer interim, she is the permanent Dean of the Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities. This is an awesome thing.

We're going to go back to Dallas this year for our Marching Road Trip. Again, it's the Division II tournament at Cowboys' Stadium on September 15. Tickets are already on sale, and the University is putting together a tailgate event for Alumni and Friends. If you know people in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, let them know they won't want to miss it. While you're telling family and friends about this, you can also let them know that our Parents' Day is Saturday, September 29. Your family will get details via snail mail. It falls on the day of our first home football game.

Whether you're new or returning, we're excited to have you as part of “The Sound of West Texas.” Drop me an email if you have questions or concerns that aren't answered in “The Showman.” My email is tsee@wtamu.edu. I'll be in Idaho from August 3rd to the 13th, but I'll check email every few days.

See you soon!
Tracy See
Ensemble Secretary, Band/Orchestra/Choir Mom,
Unlicensed Therapist, Green Bay Packer Fanatic

P.S. – Don't call me “Ma'am.”

By the way, Preston says “hi!”

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OK, I'm going to need a hammer, a chisel, a wrench, and maybe a couple of rocket launchers, but this pickle
In addition to introducing you to the new Freshmen and Transfers, we will explain the rules to “Rock, Paper, Scissors, Lizard, Spock”: Scissors cuts paper, paper covers rock, rock crushes lizard, lizard poisons Spock, Spock smashes scissors, scissors decapitates lizard, lizard eats paper, paper disproves Spock, Spock vaporizes rock, and as it always has, rock crushes scissors.

Flute
Johanna Balboa, San Antonio, TX
Taylar McNeil, Abilene, TX
Samantha Stewart, Liberty Hill, TX
Ben Vongsurith, Amarillo, TX

Oboe
Daniel Tinajero, Lubbock, TX

Bassoon
James Fletcher, Irving, TX
Katelyn Huckaby, Canyon, TX
Victoria Kreutzer, Federal Heights, CO
Ephraim Lorenz, Canyon, TX

Clarinet
Cicely Cain, Amarillo, TX
Jessica Cummings, Joshua, TX
Caitlin Steer, Midland, TX
Matthew Tolentino (Master’s Student)
Emily Walker, Jacksonville, TX

Bass Clarinet
Alex Martinez, El Paso, TX

Saxophone
Sarah Bailey, Amarillo, TX
Garrett Breaux, Arlington, TX
Edward Cosio, Irving, TX
Elijah Lemeieux, Wellington, TX
Axel Romano, San Antonio, TX
Kristy Taylor, Midland, TX
Revanna Willis-Fagg, Pampa, TX

Trumpet
Daniel Corkill, Coppell, TX
Shannon McKeown, Plainview, TX
Nicholas Mosser, Amarillo, TX
Zakeri Reed, Brownfield, TX
Mario Rodriguez, Orange Grove, TX
Steven Siegel (Master’s Student)

Horn
Brianna Best, Brenham, TX
Anthony Flores, Amarillo, TX
Kendra Jones, Fredericksburg, TX
Jerah Luna, Clarendon, TX
Juan Pablo Reyes, Shallowater, TX
Hannah Rhynes, Midland, TX
Karen Rock, Sandia, TX
Charles Valliant, Richardson, TX

Trombone
Ryan Lane, Midland, TX
Ashley Moyer, Shallowater, TX
Alejandro Nava, Laredo, TX

Euphonium
James Baum, Big Spring, TX
Samantha Cantu, George West, TX
Dionicio Cardenas, Laredo, TX
Rudy Gloria, Lubbock, TX
Juan Paiz, George West, TX
Michael Vargas, Kermit, TX

Tuba
John De La Garza, Laredo, TX
Aubrey Fox, Amarillo, TX

Percussion
Cayla Callaway, Amarillo, TX
Jeremy Hall, Joshua, TX
Danella Meza, Cactus, TX
Jared Perry, Brenham, TX
Joshua Powell (Master’s Student)

Color Guard
Lanie Hazle, Stinnett, TX
Alison Mercer, Borger, TX
Nikki Nystrom, Canyon, TX
Katie Osborn, Friona, TX

If you don’t see your name listed here, DON’T PANIC! This list is comprised of people who enrolled or accepted scholarships as of 8/1. It does mean, however, that for the next 5 minutes, you’re not as cool as these people.
Your Horoscope: Chunks of meat will plague you today...or give you the plague today. The spirits are being terribly vague on this one.

Your Leadership Team for the Fall Marching Season:

**Drum Majors:**
Raul Villanueva, Odessa, TX
Elaine Welch, Midland, TX

**Graduate Assistants:**
Andrew Kaspar
Steven Siegel
Josh Powell

**Drill Instructors:**
Brad Smith*
Crystal Chapa*
Stuart Talley*
Preston Beatty* (He says “Hi” again)
Alex Luttrel
Jimmy Zepeda
Ryan Yett
Donovan Ashcraft
Jesse Finney
Desmond Juarez
Jacob Summersgill
Clint Larson
* = Station Leaders

**Color Guard Captains:**
Sara Lewis
Audrey Jones

And the rest of the band:

**Flute:**
Jennifer Campagna, Buda, TX
Morgan Coplan, Richardson, TX
Ami Foster-Brown, Memphis, TX
Jordan Frazier, Midland, TX
Hillary Hammett, Amarillo, TX
Mariela Martinez, Memphis, TX
Emily Perez, Laredo, TX
Michelle Saiz, Midland, TX
Monica Simmons, Midland, TX
Jessica Thomson, Plano, TX
Samantha Vickery, Odessa, TX
Jordan Wilbanks, Whiteface, TX
Elizabeth Baker, Midland, TX
Samantha Lowry, Wylie, TX
Kaitlin, Rutherford Amarillo, TX
Amanda Ryg, Shallowater, TX
Connie Friesen
Alexis Cortez, Odessa, TX

**Oboe:**
Taryn Albin, Midland, TX
Jose Baeza III, Andrews, TX
Alexandra Brickel, San Antonio, TX
Caitlin Oldham, San Antonio, TX
Ashley, Rubio, Helotes, TX

**Bassoon:**
Conor Bell, Irving, TX
Christopher Garcia, Monahans, TX
Aaron Wetzel, Amarillo, TX

**Clarinet:**
Elizabeth Abbott, Lubbock, TX
Isabel Barker, Needville, TX
Rachel Bethke, Plano, TX
Daniel Bonds, Midland, TX
Alisha Caldwell, Amarillo, TX
Adalberto Capetillo, Amarillo, TX
Caitlin Crawford, Canyon, TX,
Timothy Cuevas, Eldorado, TX
Alma DeMoultre, El Paso, TX
Stephanie Gonzales, Canyon, TX
Charlie Hammerle, Midland, TX
Paschelle Hudson, Midland, TX
Emilie Irvin, Arlington, TX,
Erica Medina, Canyon, TX,
Jessica Montalvo, Midland, TX,
Rebekah St. Clair, Smyer, TX,
Preston Taylor, Midland, TX,
Christopher Tocci, College Station, TX

**Saxophone:**
Joseph De La Garza, Laredo, TX
Brendan Dunaway, Midland, TX
Marc Dunbar, Bonham, TX
Jordan Freeman, Canyon, TX
Brian Hairston, Amarillo, TX
Stephanie Lenhart, El Paso, TX
Michael Marin, Midland, TX
Mary Palko, Midland, TX
Christopher Purvis, Dallas, TX
Tim Rivera, Midland, TX
Josh Shelton, Woodway, TX
John Stacy, Midland, TX

**Trumpet:**
Zane Brown, Memphis, TX
Jonathan Chapman, Midland, TX
Alex Collins, Amarillo, TX
Payne Conner, Midland, TX
Blain Doggett, Bartlesville, OK
Dawna Garcia, Plainview, TX
Bradley Kinder, Midland, TX
Kolby Lamkin, Amarillo, TX
Matthew Molinar, Odessa, TX
Mallarie Munoz, Midland, TX
Brian, Rose, El Paso, TX
Sean Rowell, Midland, TX

**Horn:**
Jeremiah Fetsch, Canyon, TX
Lauren Fritz, Lubbock, TX
Laura Hanna, Allen, TX
Tyler King, Thorsdale, TX
Alec Bennington, Decatur, TX
Austin Brake, Hobb, NM
Caressa Crawford, Canadian, TX
Alejandro Guerra, Laredo, TX
Tyson Leyba, Dumas, TX
Seth McCandless, Dimmitt, TX
Gary McMillan, Odessa, TX

**Bass Clarinet:**
Patricia Bailey, Irving, TX
Olivia Caldwell, Midland, TX
Ashley Ginn, White Deer, TX,
Ryan Shelander, Flower Mound, TX
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Greetings from Don Lefevre

Dear Friends:

I hope that all of you are enjoying your summer break. We have an exceptional group of incoming students to welcome into the buffalo band this fall. I have no doubt that they will have a profound impact on the quality of our program.

Audition music for membership into the WTAMU Symphonic Band will be made available to you shortly after you arrive on campus this fall. Auditions for the Symphonic Band will be held on Monday, September 24th. The WTAMU Wind Ensemble will perform a concert of new music at the Society of Composers International convention held on the WTAMU campus this fall. Dr. Gary Garner and I will collaborate and conduct selections that we chose last spring for the event. The Wind Ensemble meets on Wednesday’s at 4:00-5:45pm. I would like to use the very best musicians out of our wind and percussion majors to represent the band program at this performance. If you are interested in being a member of the WTAMU Wind Ensemble and performing new music at SCI, you will need to enroll in the following course:

MUEN 2140  Sec. 10, D. LEFEVRE
CHAMBER MUSIC WIND ENSEMBLE
N1010, meets Wednesday from 4:00-5:45PM

This is going to be a great year at WTAMU. I’m excited about our opportunities to showcase your talents on the field and stage.

Sincerely,

Don Lefevre
Director of Bands
West Texas A&M University
Hi everyone!!
I hope you are all thoroughly enjoying your summers! I'm writing this letter in the midst of band camp chaos. Being around all these campers makes me excited to start this semester - I miss my college friends! This is an exciting time to be part of the WT music family with the symphonic band's performances at TMEA and CBDNA this past spring. In September the marching band will be returning to Cowboy Stadium with the football team. It should be lots of fun! For those of you who don't know me, my name is Elaine Welch. I'm a senior music education major from Midland. I play the flute and I attempt to play the clarinet secondarily; I also marched mellophone for two years before becoming drum major. This summer I've been working as a server and host at Chili's in Amarillo, taking summer classes, and practicing as often as I can. Hopefully I can fit in a trip to see the Rangers play before the fall semester starts! As much as I'm enjoying the summer break, I am really looking forward to this year - I can't wait to meet all of you new students and see all of the returning students as well. Make sure to bring lots of water and sunscreen to early band. We try to march outside in the mornings and evenings but it can still be pretty hot!
In a moment of sheer brilliance, I've made the executive decision to change our marching show to a tribute to my favorite Disney movies. You can expect to see me wearing a Cinderella dress on the podium.
Just kidding. :)
Can't wait to see all of you soon!
Elaine

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What did I do last night? I feel like I’m trapped in a cave with a panther and a sound system blaring Michael Bolton’s Greatest Hits.

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Hi my name is Raul Villanueva and I am one of your Drum Majors this coming year. I am in the awesome trumpet section and a senior music education major from Odessa, TX. On behalf of the West Texas A&M Band welcome! I hope you are having a relaxing summer and am excited to see your ready faces in August.

Here are a couple reminders to keep in mind before we start the season:
1.) Please do everything in your power to be at every rehearsal ready to go on time.
2.) Make sure you are contributing to every rehearsal by being a productive band member.
3.) And if we are rehearsing that means there is going to be performances so make sure to make the scheduled performances.
Sounds easy enough right?

So now that we have the "business" part out of the way we can get to the fun stuff. Even though we do keep rehearsals professional and work hard we try to have a relaxed environment. We have the privilege to be apart of an organization that allows us to be exposed to all kinds of people before school even starts! So no matter what your interests are you are sure to find someone you have something in common with. So have a great rest of the summer and get ready to meet some really great people and make awesome memories.

-Raul
Hello to all freshmen, new, and returning students!

First of all, welcome to the WTAMU Buffalo Marching Band! I hope you are all having an incredible summer. My name is Jordan Frazier and I can’t tell you how excited I am to be President of the Xi Chapter of Tau Beta Sigma again this year!

Tau Beta Sigma is a national honorary band sorority that provides service to collegiate bands, encourages the advancement of women in the band profession, and promotes and enriches an appreciation of band music through recognition, leadership development, and education of its members. Together, we combine an enthusiasm for band and community service as well as a worthwhile social experience in a band student’s life and we invite you to join us in our efforts this year!

One service that we provide, with our brothers of Kappa Kappa Psi, is the “Great Freshmen Move-In.” This is an excellent opportunity for us to get to know you, help you move into the dorms. You can also meet several people before you even begin Early Band. If you are interested in receiving our help please feel free to email the chapter or call me personally at the number listed below. We also hope to see you at our nightly activities that we have planned all throughout summer band! I am looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you as we begin another exciting semester with the Sound of West Texas Marching Band!

See you all soon,
Jordan Frazier
Tau Beta Sigma President
(432) 250-4283
taubeta.xi@gmail.com
Hey everyone!
My name Keller Mitchell Thornton and I am the current President of the Alpha Psi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi. I play the trombone and am from Midland, TX. This summer I’ve been working at Myers’ Quality Countertops back home and have been playing a lot of Magic: The Gathering. I hope you all are enjoying your summer and I can’t wait until I get to see old friends and meet new people.

Kappa Kappa Psi was founded in 1919 and built with the purpose to serve the college band program, create respect for all music programs, and forge leaders within our organization. We do various band service projects throughout the year and help with the heavy lifting of our marching and concert bands. We are always looking for outstanding and motivated individuals to join our brotherhood. If you have any questions or are interested about our organization, just ask. We are here for you!

My brothers and I, along with our sisters of Tau Beta Sigma, would like to help the new students (including transfers) move in. We call this “The Great Freshmen Move-In” and if you are interested please don’t hesitate to e-mail, text or call me.

The Vice Presidents of Kappa Kappa Psi, Aaron Rhynes, and Tau Beta Sigma, Traci Abbott, have planned evening events during summer band, and we hope to see all of you there -- it’s a great way to meet people, and, more importantly, it’s a lot of fun!

I am looking forward to this upcoming year and seeing you guys soon!

Keller Mitchell Thornton
Kmthornton1@buffs.wtamu.edu
(432)528-6907

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The WTAMU Symphony Orchestra

Auditions for the WTAMU Symphony Orchestra will be held during the first two days of classes, August 27 and 28. Sign up sheets for audition times will be posted outside Dr. Bartley's office (N 257).

To audition:
- Prepare two brief contrasting pieces/excerpts that best demonstrate your abilities. Music may be chosen from solo repertoire, etudes, or orchestral excerpts.
- Choose the most essential portion of the music to play. Neither excerpt should exceed two minutes.
- You will play two major scales (Conductor’s choice); the number of octaves and manner of playing are at your discretion.
- You will sight-read a short orchestral excerpt.

Woodwind, brass and percussion players meet for rehearsals on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30a to 1:20p.

Register now to avoid the late fee.

Freshmen: MUEN 1029 Sec 01, Orchestra, 1 credit
Upperclassmen: MUEN 3029 Sec 01, Orchestra, 1 credit
Instructor: Dr. Mark Bartley
This is the stuff you really want to know: Dorms, Moving In, Meals, and general advice about college.

If you’ve been reading (and not just skimming) up until now, you already know that you can contact Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma and they’ll help you move into the dorms. Here is where we tell you things like WHEN you can move into the dorms.

If you are a member of the Percussion Section or the Color Guard, you can move into the dorms on THURSDAY, AUGUST 16 between 4p and 6p. You move right into your assigned dorm – there’s no “temporary housing” for the first week.

Everyone else can move into their dorms from Friday through Tuesday, also from 4p to 6p.

The band covers meals in the cafeteria starting with the first meal AFTER YOU ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT. Percussion & Color Guard start with lunch on Friday. Freshmen and transfers start with dinner on Monday. Returning students start with lunch on Tuesday. The cafeteria will not serve breakfast on the weekends until classes start, so head to United and grab some Pop Tarts for the weekend.

All of our meetings are held in Mary Moody Northen Hall, in room 1010. You’ll see it abbreviated in a variety of ways: N, MM, MMNH, Northen, Mary Moody…it all refers to the same place. N 1010 is the rehearsal room for Band and Orchestra, and it’s on the west side of the building in the addition. WARNING: Northen is a MAZE to get around in for first-timers. The building is rectangular, the center is triangular, and the hall that connects the building to the addition is impossible to see until you’re right on top of it. If you’ve been to Band Camp, you’ll find it. If you’re new to the campus, program Ensemble Secretary Tracy’s number in your cell phone and she’ll guide you to it from wherever you end up on campus (806-651-2854).

The first day will consist of a brief meeting, introductions to the “important people,” and tryouts (for percussionists). Percussion and color guard will have been working for a couple of days by the time the non-percussion freshmen and transfers get here on Monday. Be prepared to introduce yourself (or someone else). Dress for outdoor marching on Monday, but don’t bring your instrument.

There is an optional $20 band fee. It gets you your band t-shirt, free admission to the band’s annual Halloween and Christmas parties, and a discount on the final banquet. You get more than your $20 worth, and you have to have the t-shirt anyhow (as part of your uniform).

ODDS AND ENDS, BUT STILL IMPORTANT: Did you sign up for Buff Branding? No? GOOD. It conflicts with Early Band and you won’t be able to go. If you did, you can try and get your money back (good luck with that…). Want to march Color Guard instead of your instrument? Indicate that in your return email (formerly known as your band card) and indicate Color Guard in addition to your instrument.

THE REALLY BIG ADVICE IS RELATIVELY SHORT. Show up to your ensembles whether you’re prepared or not. If you’re not prepared, you might get called out on it, but NOTHING like if you blow it off. As far as your classes go, remember that you, or someone who loves you, is paying big bucks for you to be here. Get your/their money’s worth. Your director will give you a “friendly reminder” phone call telling you to get your butt out of bed and get to your ensemble. No one will do that in your other classes. You’ll just fail for non-attendance. The other advice is to get involved. You’ll meet your life-long friends and maybe even your spouse or partner here, and you won’t do that locked in your dorm room playing Skyrim.
### 2012 WTAMU Early Marching Band Schedule

(*Revised as of 08/2/12*)

| Monday, August 20 |  
|-------------------|---|
| 9:00a             | DI’s & Drum Major Meeting |
| 1:00p             | New Student Meeting |
| 1:30 – 5:00p      | New Student Drill (AC) |
| 7:00 – 8:30p      | New Student Drill (Intramural Field) |
| 9:00p             | Freshman Meeting |

| Tuesday, August 21 |  
|-------------------|---|
| 8:30a – 12p       | New Student Drill |
| 1:00p             | Returning Student Meeting |
| 2:00 – 3:00p      | Music Rehearsal (bring Inst.) |
| 3:30 – 5:00p      | Sectionals |
| 7:00 – 8:45p      | Drill (Intramural Field) |
| 9 – 10p           | Music Rehearsal |

| Wednesday, August 22 |  
|----------------------|---|
| 8:30 – 12:00p        | Drill (Squad Comp) (Intramural Field) |
| 2:00 – 3:45p         | Sectionals |
| 4:00 – 5:00p         | Music Rehearsal |
| 7:00 – 8:45p         | Drill (Learn Show) (Intramural Field) |
| 9 – 10p              | Music Rehearsal or drill |

| Thursday, August 23 |  
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| 8:30 – 10:30a       | Drill (Intramural) |
| 10:45a – 12p        | Drill (Intramural) |
| 2:00p – 3:45p       | Sectionals |
| 4:00p – 5:00p       | Music Rehearsal & Elections |
| 7:00p – 8:45p       | Drill (Intramural) |
| 9p – 10p            | Music Rehearsal or drill |

| Friday, August 24 |  
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| 8:30a – 12p        | Drill & Freshman March-down (Intramural Field) |
| 2:00 – 3:45p       | Sectionals |
| 4:00 - 5:00p       | Music Rehearsal |
| 7:00p              | Picnic at Connor Park Catered by Cattle Call |

| Saturday, August 25 |  
|---------------------|---|
| 8:30a – 12p         | Drill (Learn Show) (Intramural Field) |
| 6:00p – 8:30p       | Drill (Learn Show) (Intramural Field) |

| Monday, August 27 |  
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| 11:30a            | First Day of Classes |

The Showman – Pg 11. Yes, this does go on forever.
2012-2013 Calendar of Events for the WTAMU Bands

8/17 Early Band Begins – Percussion & Color Guard report
8/20 Early Band – Freshmen and Transfer students report
8/21 Early Band – Returning upperclassmen report
8/27 Classes begin – Music Major Meeting 4p in NRH
8/31 Mega-mandatory FRIDAY rehearsal 11:30-1:20 (then the weekend begins!)
9/3 Labor Day – No Classes
9/8 All-State Help Sessions
9/8 First Home Game vs. Western State University
9/14-16 Band travels to away game at Arlington Stadium
9/24 Symphonic Band Auditions
10/12 Pigskin Revue & Bonfire
10/13 Homecoming parade, Exhibition Performance (Bivins Stadium), and game
11/3 Home Football vs. Midwestern,
11/7 Wind Ensemble, 7:30p, NRH
11/17 *Possible Playoff Date – Football
11/21 Classes dismiss at noon for Thanksgiving Break
11/22-23 Thanksgiving Break
11/24 *Possible Playoff Date – Football
12/1 *Possible Playoff Date – Football, Renaissance Feast
12/2 Christmas Concert – Orchestra & Choir, 3p, NRH
12/3 Special Student Recital, 4p, NRH
12/4 Special Student Recital, 4p, NRH
12/5 Last class day, Concert Band 6p, Symphonic Band 8p, both in NRH
12/6 Dead Day
12/7 Finals/Juries begin (through December 15)
12/8 *Possible Playoff Date – Football
12/15 *Possible Playoff Date – Football
1/14 Spring Term begins
1/18 Career Day and Faculty Grand
1/21 MLK Day – No Classes
3/1 Showcase of Music (Amarillo Globe News Center)
3/2 Concert Band 6p, Symphonic Band 8p, both in NRH
3/3-3/6 Symphonic Band Tour
3/11-15 Spring Break
3/23 Large School Instrumental Clinic – Symphonic Band Performs
3/28 Symphonic Band Concert, 7:30p NRH
3/29 Good Friday (no classes)
4/6 Small School Band Clinic – Concert Band Performs at 6:00 p.m.
4/18-21 Orchestra and Choir Collaboration
4/29 Special Student Recital, 4p, NRH
4/30 Honors Recital, 7:30p, NRH
5/1 Concert Band concert 6p, Symphonic Band concert 8p, both in NRH
5/2 Dead Day
5/4 Finals/Juries Begin (through May 10)

*Playoffs times/locations to be decided

This schedule is subject to change!
We arrive at the stadium two-hours prior to each home football game and rehearse for 45 minutes prior to the start of the game. Dates in bold are mandatory performances.

We’ve changed our minds…this is our new show for fall.
The Cast of Characters: These are the people you will meet first.

Dr. Robert Hansen, Director, School of Music: I can't say anything snarky about Dr. Bob yet because we've just started working together and the man chooses whether or not to promote me. He does have a sense of humor and a theater background, so he can really be convincing when he's pulling something on you. Dr. Bob is a vocalist, and is both Director of the School of Music and Department Head for Art, Theatre and Dance.

Dr. Mark Bartley, Associate Director, School of Music: Dr. Bartley is also the Orchestra Director. You will know him from his perfect posture. He will give you something interesting to read if textbooks aren't enough. If you ever see him with his hair out of place, call me so I can see it.

Mr. Don Lefevre, Associate Professor, Director of Bands: Mr. Lefevre is the Director of the Symphonic Band, the Wind Ensemble, teaches Graduate Conducting, and is king of all things saxophone. He is affectionately known as “Feve” by the upperclassmen.

Dr. Russ Teweleit, Associate Professor, Marching Band Director: Dr. T, also known as Dr. Tev (because that’s easier than figuring out how to really pronounce it), directs the Concert Band, Marching Band, and is the Music Education guy. Is he Jewish? We may never know.

Dr. Susan Martin Tariq, Professor of Music: Dr. Tariq teaches all manner of Percussion and manages the drumline. Rumor has it she carries mallets in her car for personal protection, and trust that she knows how to use them.

Mrs. Tracy See, Ensemble Secretary: Band Mom, Green Bay Packer fan, and transplanted Yooper, Mrs. See is the assistant to all bands, choirs, and the orchestra. She despises being called “Ma’am,” and has made it her one-woman mission to eradicate the word.

Stuff You'll Need:

Black shoes – lace type, NO tennis shoes
White Gloves - not needed for Color Guard

At Every Rehearsal you should have:

Bottled Water/Sports Drinks
I can't emphasize this enough. Get something low in sugar, low in sodium, and non-carbonated.

A hat and sunglasses
Sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher & Chap Stick

Comfortable shoes
This is no place to show off your fashion sense. No heels, flip-flops, slides or cowboy boots. And WEAR SOCKS unless you like blisters.

Stretch/Warm up before rehearsal.

A lot of people think this is a really great tanning opportunity. It’s not.
YOU WILL NOT BE EXCUSED FROM BAND FOR SUNBURNS OR BLISTERS.

KKP/TBE Early Band Social Schedule

Sunday, 8/19, 7p: Game Night in N 1010
Monday, 8/20, 10p: Scavenger Hunt. Meet in N 1010
Tuesday, 8/21: Open Night
Wednesday, 8/22, 10p: Nuke ‘Em & Watermelon Feed
Thursday, 8/23, 10p: Feed a Fish

Don’t forget the Friday Picnic
8/24 at 7p at Connor Park
Friday Picnic brought to you by Dr. Teweleit & Mr. Lefevre.
So this is the last mental image you have, we’re making it the most important call to action. Copy and paste this, fill in the answers, and email it to tsee@wtamu.edu.

Name:
Home Address:
College Address (NOT your box #):
Cell Phone Number:
Primary Instrument:
Marching Instrument/Color Guard:
Major:
Year in College:
T-Shirt Size:

We need this to make preparations for our marching show. Thanks.

Parents’ Day

Each year, the members of the Buffalo Band invite their friends and families to our annual Parents’ Day Luncheon. The tradition continues on Saturday, September 29 at the First United Bank Center on the WT campus. Prices have not yet been determined, but it’s somewhere around $15 per person. You can also get football tickets for the game that evening at a reduced rate. We’ll have lunch with President O’Brien and some senior admin types, hear from our directors, and probably see a video of what you went through in Early Band. Then your friends and families get to see what you’ve accomplished so far during the halftime show.

We’ll send information via snail mail to the families of anyone who has registered for MUEN 1026/3026 by August 15.

Go ahead...Dance like no one is watching.