



## **Valencia High School Band & Color Guard**

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### **Band Camp is Here!**

Welcome to the Pride of the Vikings 2018-2019 Marching Band. We are looking forward to a year of great music and a lot of fun. It is time to warm up those instruments and get those chops ready for an intense and exciting season performing our field show, "City Sketches" by Scott Director. The music will be available online at [www.prideofthevikings.com](http://www.prideofthevikings.com) by clicking on the "music" tab (username for the website is "student", password "judd"). Remember...it all starts with our Marching Band camp. **It is required for all students to participate in band camp to perform in the 2018 Marching Band and Color Guard.** This year's camp schedule is as follows for all students.

#### **Band Camp Detailed Daily Schedule**

***\*Please be sure you have eaten a breakfast of champions before coming to camp! \****

##### **Tuesday, July 31 and Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>**

- 7:00AM Morning block at stadium, meet at the stadium track by 6:45am with flag bag.
- 10:00PM Early lunch. Students are encouraged to either eat a packed lunch or eat near the high school for lunch to be on time for the 11 a.m. sectionals.
- 11:00PM Choreography in MPR
- 2:00PM Break! Band room will be locked up and students should head home. Rest and please be sure to drink plenty of water during these breaks to stay hydrated!
- 6:00PM Basics/Warm up block (Full Ensemble). Arrive at the stadium track with flag bag by 5:45pm. Performing the morning's drill with choreography. If we have additional time towards the end of rehearsal, we will be learning new drill. There will also be a fun team activity starting at 8:35pm.
- 9:00PM Go home and rest! Students should be ready for pick up by 9:15pm, depending on pack up responsibilities.

##### **Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Same morning block and afternoon block times.

- 6:30pm Rehearsal time at stadium. (adjusted due to football conflicts). Meet at outdoor gazebo behind gym by 6:15pm.
- 9:30pm End day, pack up. Students should be ready for pick up by 9:45pm, depending on pack up responsibilities.

##### **Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- 8:00am Morning block start time at stadium (hour later to sleep in). Arrive at the track at 7:45am with flag bag.
- 11:00am Lunch. Students are encouraged to either eat a packed lunch or eat near the high school for lunch to be on time for the 12 p.m. sectionals.



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- 12:00PM Choreography in MPR
- 3:00PM Break! Band room will be locked up and students should head home. Rest and please be sure to drink plenty of water during these breaks to stay hydrated!
- 6:30pm Rehearsal time at stadium. Meet at basketball courts by 6:15pm with your flag bag.
- 9:30pm End day, pack up. Students should be ready for pick up by 9:45pm, depending on pack up responsibilities.

### **Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00am Warm up on basketball courts followed by rehearsal in stadium. Arrive to the courts by 8:45am with your flag bag. Bring lots of water, this rehearsal will be hot (only time we get the field due to football conflicts)
- 12:45pm Pack up. Students should be ready for pick up by 1:15pm, depending on pack up responsibilities.
- 1:15pm Long break. Rest!
- 6:15pm Warm up on stadium track for band camp performance. Students wear their section t-shirts, shorts, and athletic shoes.
- 7:00PM Performance for family and Friends in the VHS Stadium.
- 7:30PM Band Camp Awards Ceremony and complimentary Ice Cream Social hosted by the Band Boosters



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### **Pride of the Vikings Marching Band Camp “Packing” List**

Please bring the following items on the first day of band camp:

- **All Equipment**
- **A towel to stretch on/sit on during breaks**
- **Extra sunblock!**
- **Athletic Sneakers/Socks** (NO FLIP FLOPS, SANDALS, CLOGS, SKATE SHOES). Good footwear is needed for proper marching technique and to keep you free from blisters.
- **Hat/Sunglasses**
- **Modest, But Cool, Clothing:** School rules of decency apply at marching band camp. It is better to keep shoulders covered to avoid sunburn. Lighter colors are always better!
- **Wide Mouth Thermos or Sports Bottle:** It will be VERY hot, and though we will not be outside during the heat of the day, hydration is very important. Iced water and Gatorade will be provided throughout band camp. NO SODA DURING BAND CAMP!
- **2 Cases of 8 oz. water bottles- Costco has a 70-bottle case that we recommend** (these will be distributed to the band and color guard throughout the marching band season). Parents will be collecting the cases of water in the parking lot near the theatre on the first day of marching band camp from 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.
- **A Packed Lunch and Dinner or Money to Purchase Meals:** Your parents may bring you lunch or dinner if you like, or you may go off campus. Eat Healthy!!
- **Medication:** If you take daily medication, please bring only enough for each day, along with a parent’s permission and a doctor’s note detailing dosage.
- **Other things that will make you more comfortable:** Cooling Towel, Face Wipes, Hand Fan

Here are some gentle reminders about band camp:

1. **SUNSCREEN.** This is very important. You should apply sunscreen before you leave the house, and reapply every 2 hours.
2. **Bring Plenty of Water!** One or two water bottles are not going to be enough. It is highly recommended that you bring at least a 2-gallon jug of water each day. Individual water bottles are not recommended unless you intend to bring a lot. It is also recommended that you bring a cooler or that your jug is insulated so your water stays cold. Our band parents provide water to fill up your water jugs.

It is very important to stay hydrated during band camp. Soda and juice will dehydrate you, so stick to water/Gatorade/Powerade. Avoid drinking milk or eating lots of dairy products during band camp, as the heat will cause it to curdle in your stomach and make you nauseous.

3. **Dress Appropriately.** You need athletic shoes at band camp – NO FLIP FLOPS, CONVERSE or VANS. For clothes, you will need comfortable, movable athletic wear. Please make sure your shorts are an appropriate length (i.e. We shouldn’t be able to see your underwear), and also that they are not too tight. Spankies are not recommended. You should try to wear a light colored, loose-fitting top. Do not wear dark colors! Additionally, tank tops are not recommended. Yes, it will be hot, but



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wearing a tank top makes you more open to sunburn. The ideal top would be a loose-fitting white t-shirt. Again, please be sure you are dressed appropriately. Your bra should not be visible (So please don't wear a neon green bra underneath a white t-shirt). Please do not wear any jewelry. This includes necklaces, bracelets, and hoop or dangling earrings. Stud earrings are okay. Remember, band camp isn't about looking fashionable! Hats and sunglasses are also recommended

**4. Be on Time.** Please be on time to practice. Check the schedule (attached) for each day's start time and be at the school 15 MINUTES BEFORE! Every day, we will meet in the stadium. You will need time to pick up your flag bag from the band room, walk to the field, and make any other preparations before we begin (such as reapplying sunscreen or getting a drink of water). The earlier you are the better. When we start on time, we finish on time.

**5. Stay Positive.** When it gets hot outside, people tend to get cranky. Please, whatever you do, remain positive. Don't get discouraged if you're having difficulty learning or remembering something. You can always ask the captains and staff if you need help. Having a positive attitude will make band camp so much easier for you and for everyone else.

**7. Take Care of Yourself Afterwards.** When you get home each night, chances are you will be tired. In order to be at your best the next day, you should drink plenty of water. It is also recommended that you stretch before you go to bed. This will help prevent soreness. Please make sure you get plenty of sleep as well!

### **Also, stay in the *Know* in the following ways!**

Please look for emails from [vikingsband@gmail.com](mailto:vikingsband@gmail.com).

Check our website at [www.PrideoftheVikings.com](http://www.PrideoftheVikings.com) regularly for updates about camp and the marching band season (football games, practices, competitions schedule, etc.).

Our username is "student", the password is "judd."

Also, be sure to join our Facebook pages:

[Valencia Pride of the Vikings](#) and [Valencia High School Color Guard](#).



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**Feel free to contact your staff or the Board with any questions!**

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