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Dear Marching Band Members:

Welcome to the 2014 UI Vandal Marching Band! The information below will help you prepare for our fall events. You will receive another update in mid-July with more details and specific directions. Please read this carefully and consult the band webpage for more details: http://www.uidaho.edu/class/music/ensembles/marching-band

**INSTRUMENT and PHOTO**

We need a **photo** (jpg format) of yourself that will be used by the staff to learn your name and take attendance. Also indicate your **name** and the **instrument (or color guard)** you will play in the VMB. Please send this to our Administrative Assistant Cherice Cameron Cedeno at vandalband@gmail.com.

**BAND CAMP CALENDAR**

A detailed camp schedule will be available in July. Our events will not conflict with new student orientation or Greek rush events. Until then, please use the following schedule for planning.

Tuesday, Aug. 19
- 2:00-5:00 pm: Dorm check-in
- 5:00-6:30 pm: New Band Member and Parent Orientation

Wednesday, Aug. 20
- 9:00 am: Percussion, Tubas, and Color Guard begin
- 2:00 pm: BAND CAMP BEGINS (all members)

Thurs-Sun, Aug. 21-24
- All Day: Band Camp

Monday, Aug. 25
- Other classes begin

**EARLY DORM MOVE-IN FOR BAND CAMP**

This will be arranged for registered band members who have applied for housing and have paid their deposit prior to July 7. Go to www.uidaho.edu/housing to apply. A list of students who have room reservations will be available on the band webpage in **late July**. Please check that your name is on the list if you plan to move in early! Check in will be 2:00-5:00 pm, Tuesday, August 19, at the 24-hour desk of the Living Learning Community (LLC). If you have questions about dorms, please call University Housing at 800-681-9361 or email them at housing@uidaho.edu.

**NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION**

New students are encouraged to participate in New Student Orientation events. We will minimize all conflicts with the band camp schedule.

**HOME GAMES**
Do not schedule anything on these days! Here are the dates:

- September 13
- September 27
- October 18
- November 1
- November 15

**PERCUSSION AUDITIONS**
Audition materials are available our website.

**CLASS CONFLICTS**
Some of you have asked about missing a day or two of band. Our policy is very clear – the conflict must meet all three of these criteria:

- The conflicting course is specifically required for your degree
- The conflicting course is not offered at any other time this Fall
- The conflicting course cannot be delayed until the Spring semester or next year

**PREPARING FOR BAND CAMP**
We strongly suggest two activities to prepare for band camp. First, make sure you continue to practice your instrument on a daily basis. We play a lot during camp so building some endurance now will make it a more enjoyable experience. Your face/hands will thank you later.

Second, do some type of daily exercise – walking, running, swimming, hiking, stretching, etc. Our activities are not overly strenuous but we will spend quite a bit of time on the field learning marching fundamentals. A little daily effort between now and Aug. 20 will make the experience more enjoyable.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Have a fantastic summer!

Sincerely,

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***GO VANDALS!***