

# 2011 MARCHING REDHAWKS BAND CAMP REMINDERS & INFORMATION

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

8/1/11 – 8/5/11	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Marching Redhawks Pre-Camp NCHS varsity baseball field
8/3/11	6:00 p.m.	Band Camp Parent Meeting NCHS Cafeteria
8/5/11	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Luggage drop off, inspection and loading NCHS Cafeteria
8/6/11 – 8/13/11	8:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	Band Camp Camp Duncan
8/13/11	10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Great America Outing Return to NCHS at approximately 9:00 p.m.
8/14/11	5:00 p.m. - Dinner 6:30 p.m. - Presentation	Marching Redhawks Showcase & Picnic Memorial Stadium
8/17/11		School begins – regular after-school rehearsals begin

Please make it a habit to frequently check the home page at [www.nchsbands.info](http://www.nchsbands.info) for updates, additional information and announcements. All rehearsal and performance dates can be found on the Main Calendar at [www.nchsbands.info](http://www.nchsbands.info).

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**Luggage:** Luggage taken to band camp must be inspected before it is loaded on the truck. We do this the day before we leave. Please bring luggage (except carry on) to the NCHS cafeteria on Friday, August 5, 2011 between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. Luggage will be inspected by volunteers and loaded into the rental truck to be taken to camp the following morning.

**Dress Code:** District 203 guidelines should be followed when selecting clothing to bring to band camp. Sleeveless while t-shirts are a favorite because of the sun and heat. Caps or visors will be allowed and encouraged. No garments depicting beer, alcohol or drugs, or with symbols depicting inappropriate language or sexual content will be allowed. No bare midriffs or bare backs will be allowed during camp. No low-cut clothing or short shorts should be worn. Shirts must have straps. A student will be sent to change clothes if his/her attire is deemed inappropriate.

**Don't Forget:** There are **four very important items** that every band camper should have: **bug repellent, sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher is recommended), a hat, and a large water bottle.** Much of the discomfort students have experienced in the past can be attributed to not having these items. It is particularly important to apply sunscreen several times a day.

**Medications:** Students are responsible for their own prescription or over-the-counter medications. Prescription medications must be brought to camp in a current pharmacy container, clearly marked with the student's name. Over-the-counter medication should be in the **original container, labeled with the student's name.** We are not able to dispense any medications to the students. If you think that your child might need a pain reliever, allergy medicine, sunburn relief lotion, etc., include it in their camp supplies **in a clear Ziploc bag.** Please inform them how to use the medication properly and stress the importance of not sharing their medicine with others.

**Curfew:** During band camp, students must be in their cabins by 10:30 p.m. Lights out at 11:00 p.m. Cell phone use and texting is expected to end at 11:00 p.m.

**Visitors to Camp:** Parents are welcome to visit during camp. You are welcome to watch the kids rehearse, but don't expect them to pay too much attention to you. They are focused on the job they need to get done. ***It is important to understand that parents, friends and family are NOT allowed to bring separate meals for their student, dine with the band members, enter the student's camp housing or take the student from the campgrounds.*** We are unable to provide meals or overnight housing for visitors at the Camp. For directions and information, visit [www.ymcacampduncan.org](http://www.ymcacampduncan.org).

**Camp Mailing Address:** If you wish to send your student a note of encouragement while he/she is at camp, here is the Camp Duncan mailing address:

(Student's Name) – NCHS Band  
YMCA Camp Duncan  
32405 North Highway 12  
Ingleside, Illinois 60041

**What to Bring:** See attached sheet

**Money:** There are no stores or vending machines at Camp Duncan, so no money is necessary while you are staying there. You **WILL** need money for our trip to Great America (for lunch, beverages during the day, etc.). The amount of money you bring for personal spending at Great America is entirely up to you. Please make sure you keep it in a safe location while at Camp Duncan.

**What to Leave at Home:** Laptop computers (no internet availability), boom boxes or external speakers – not everyone likes your music, believe it or not! Don't bring anything you can't bear to lose.

We are looking forward to a great band camp experience and another  
GREAT Marching Redhawks season!

## **BAND CAMP PACKING LIST**

### **Bedding:**

Twin sheet set and blanket OR sleeping bag (the cabins are air-conditioned)  
Pillow with pillowcase

### **Clothing (must follow the most current NCHS dress code!!!):**

T-shirts (light colors suggested)	Rain gear / poncho
Shorts (athletic shorts are suggested)	Pajamas
Long pants/jeans	Flip-flop sandals / shower shoes
Athletic shoes (no "skate" shoes or sandals)	Baseball hat / visor
Jacket / Sweat shirt	Swimsuit
Socks (make sure you have lots of extras!)	Undergarments
Clothes to wear to the dance	

### **Marching Supplies:**

Instrument	Valve oil, reeds, etc.
Dot book	Large water jug (very large suggested)
Lanyard for dot book	3-ring binder with 100 page protectors
3 pencils (sharpened)	2 highlighters
Folding music stand	

### **Miscellaneous:**

Bug repellent – no aerosol	Shampoo	Power strip
Sunscreen	Comb / brush	
Soap in soap case / body wash	Beach towel	
Deodorant	Laundry bag	
Toothbrush & toothpaste	Flashlight	
Bath towels	Sunglasses	

### **Suggested Items:**

Snacks – NO PEANUTS OR ANYTHING CONTAINING PEANUTS!  
Backpack  
MP3 player  
Alarm clock  
Cell phone with charger  
Camera  
Band aids  
Tissues  
Cold pack (insta-cold type)  
Batteries  
Sunburn relief products

Ace bandage (knee and ankle relief)
Swim goggles