

## All students, regardless of track, should bring the following items:

- Comfortable clothes and closed-toed shoes for walking around campus
- Sweatshirt or light jacket for cooler weather
- Rain gear for inclement weather (jacket, poncho, or umbrella)
- Personal toiletries (bath soap, tooth brush, toothpaste, etc.)
- Towels and washcloths. Sheets, pillow, pillowcases, and blanket are provided by Ball State Housing
- Sunglasses, hat, water bottle, and **SUNSCREEN**
- Backpack, a spiral notebook, and pens/pencils
- Attire for final performance (varies by track; see below)
- Optional: money or debit card for incidental purchases such as souvenirs, snacks, etc. \$50-\$80 recommended.

The following items are prohibited by Ball State University Housing and Music for All:

- Bikes, scooters, skateboards, or rollerblades
- Small appliances such as coffee makers or mini-fridges
- Inappropriate or offensive clothing

June weather in Indiana is often unpredictable. Averages range from **60°F-90°F** and often include high humidity. Please keep that in mind when packing for camp. All Ball State University Residence Halls will have air conditioning for the duration of camp. The rooms tend to be a bit cool at night, so plan accordingly.

**Please make sure all of your belongings are clearly marked with your name, address, and school.** Please see below for additional information on required items and/or placement information. Placement materials and additional information can be found at: <http://camp.musicforall.org/audition/>

## **DRUM MAJOR INSTITUTE**

### **PLEASE BRING**

- Lace-up athletic shoes (two pairs recommended) with proper arch support for all sessions, **NO SANDALS ALLOWED**
- Your school's musical score for current/previous year, if available
- Appropriate conducting baton, if desired
- If you wish to have instruction on twirling baton or mace skills, bring a mace or stick equivalent to 44" long
- Khaki shorts for Final Performance

**There is no placement hearing for Drum Major Institute students.**

**DRUM MAJOR PERFORMANCE ATTIRE:** Khaki shorts, athletic shoes, and a t-shirt that will be provided to students during camp. Hats, sunglasses, or jewelry may NOT be worn for the performance.

## **MARCHING BAND**

### **PLEASE BRING**

- Lace-up athletic shoes (two pairs recommended) with proper arch support for all sessions, **NO SANDALS ALLOWED**
- Your marching instrument and fold-up music stand marked with your name, address, and school. A music stand is required of ALL marching band members.
- Any necessary supplies or accessories, such as reeds, neck straps, valve oil, etc. Muncie Music Center will be on campus during the week to sell reeds, oil, etc. should you need to purchase supplies.
- Khaki shorts for DCI Show Performance and Final Performance

### **MARCHING BAND PLACEMENT INFORMATION**

Sheet music for marching band is available and posted online at [camp.musicforall.org/audition](http://camp.musicforall.org/audition). **Richard Saucedo's arrangement of the National Anthem must be learned and memorized prior to your arrival at camp.** Carolina Crown music does not have to be memorized, but should be worked on as much as possible. If more than one part is written for your instrument, please practice the part that you are most comfortable with. Marching Band Placements will **occur during the first Marching Band session** on Monday of camp. Students will play excerpts from the music for the instructors, and based upon ability and how well they know the music, will be split into parts to balance the ensemble.

### **MARCHING BAND PERFORMANCE WITH CAROLINA CROWN**

Marching Band students have an incredible opportunity to rehearse and perform with Carolina Crown during Friday night's Drum Corps International Central Indiana show on July 1st. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. in Scheumann Stadium at Ball State University. Tickets for friends and family are available through DCI directly at [dci.org](http://dci.org). This performance is in addition to the Marching Band's final performance on Saturday, July 2 (all final performances on July 2 are free, families welcome).

**PERFORMANCE ATTIRE:** Each student should wear khaki shorts, athletic shoes, and a t-shirt that will be provided to students during camp for both the performance with Carolina Crown on Friday night and the final performance on Saturday. Hats, sunglasses, or jewelry may NOT be worn for these performances.

# Student Division and Track Information

## **MARCHING PERCUSSION**

### **MARCHING PERCUSSION STUDENTS**

#### **PLEASE BRING**

- Lace-up athletic shoes (two pairs recommended) with proper arch support for all sessions, **NO SANDALS ALLOWED**
- Instrument & case marked with your name, address and school
- Please bring both a drum stand and carrier if possible
- Sticks/mallets (extra pair if possible) and practice pad
- Tuning key- a high tension key if you own one
- Hand towel for a stand cover
- White stick tape

### **MARCHING PERCUSSION PERFORMANCE AT DCI SHOW**

Marching Percussion students will perform during Friday night's DCI Central Indiana show on July 1. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. in Scheumann Stadium at Ball State University. Tickets for friends and family are available through DCI directly at [dci.org](http://dci.org). This performance is in addition to the Marching Percussion's final performance on Saturday, July 2 (all final performances on July 2 are free, families welcome).

**PERFORMANCE ATTIRE:** Each student should wear khaki shorts, athletic shoes, and a t-shirt that will be provided to students during camp for both the performance at the DCI event on Friday night and the final performance on Saturday. Hats, sunglasses, or jewelry may NOT be worn for these performances.

There are no formal placement hearings for Marching Percussion; however, students should prepare what they are able to, from the exercises at the google link below, showcasing their abilities to play for faculty if necessary. Students may be placed by camp faculty into skill-based groups periodically during the week.

For more information and access to audition/placement materials, please follow the google drive link here: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1GDs0sJLQoYVboniL-pghUvA4Y7JPmehA?usp=sharing>

## **COLOR GUARD**

### **PLEASE BRING**

- Athletic shorts and T-shirts/tops (NO halter or tube tops, boxer/spandex/short-shorts, or swimwear)
- Lace-up athletic shoes (two pairs recommended) with proper arch support for all sessions, **NO SANDALS ALLOWED**
- Warm-up suits/outside dancewear
- Sports bras (to be worn under other tops ONLY)
- Small towel
- Dance shoes (not required; can be used during dance classes)
- Students are required to bring any equipment they wish to spin during the week. They should bring their equipment in a simple equipment or flag bag. Each piece of equipment should be marked with student's name, address, and school.
- Most weapons are acceptable. Rifles must range from 36-39" and should be taped. White is the preferred color and straps are optional. Sabres vary based on experience, but recommended lengths are in the range of 36-39". Either metal or plastic hilt will be acceptable for use. All weapon students may want to bring an additional weapon to Symposium in case of any breakage.
- It is **REQUIRED** that **ALL** students, even those taking a rifle or sabre class, bring a flagpole (6 feet in height). Students should bring two solid colored silks (**NOT** show or performance flags) with the following size dimensions: 35"x 50" (min) or 35"x 60" (max). If silks with these dimensions are not available, please try and stay closer to 35"x 50". One flag will be the primary practice flag for the week and the other will be available to use in case of inclement weather.
- Please have your flag weighted for tossing. If you are unsure how to weight your flag, please bring **TWO** (2) 1" carriage bolts (Can be purchased at any hardware store). One bolt should be longer than the other. We can help you weight your flag at camp. If your pole is already weighted properly, you might want to bring extra bolts/weights for any repairs that might need to happen at camp.
- It is recommended that all students bring white and black electrical tape in case of any needed repairs.

**PERFORMANCE ATTIRE:** Each student should wear dark shorts (black, dark gray, dark blue), athletic shoes, and a t-shirt that will be provided to students during camp.

### **COLOR GUARD PLACEMENT INFORMATION**

The Color Guard Track is designed to help color guard students develop a wide variety of skills in today's competitive and non-competitive arena. We realize that guard members are trained

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differently around the country, so each student will perform a short routine at the beginning of camp, allowing our staff to determine their movement and equipment ability and placing them in an appropriate class. A special master class will be offered to students who show strong mastery of skills in all three pieces of equipment while incorporating movement and performance qualities; students will be placed into the master class based off an evaluation from staff (see more information below). All evaluations will be held on Monday, June 27.

*\* All color guard students will need to prepare the following on the appropriate equipment for their evaluation:*

### **Flag, Rifle, Sabre Classes**

- Evaluations will be held between 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. on Monday morning. The location will be given at registration.
- Prepare a variety of spins, tosses, and a simple 16-24 count equipment segment without music that showcases your experience level in guard. A favorite phrase from fall or winter, or an original creation is acceptable.
- There will NOT be a separate movement evaluation for flag, rifle, and sabre classes. Please showcase movement skills within the equipment evaluation phrase.

### **Master Class Information**

- Master class evaluations will be held at 10:00 a.m. and will end at 11:30 a.m. This will be a group evaluation, so please arrive on time. If warm-up time is needed, arrive by 9:30 a.m. The location will be given at registration.
- At the master class evaluation, students will be asked to demonstrate a variety of tosses on rifle, sabre, and flag. Students should be prepared to demonstrate a solid 5 and 6 on both weapons, and 45 tosses on flag. They may also be taught a short rifle and sabre phrase (with choreography) and, if needed, a movement phrase. There will be no choreography to learn ahead of time. The master class will accept up to 20 students.
- If students are not accepted into the master class, they can choose a flag, rifle, or sabre class to join.

Please join the MFA Color Guard Facebook Group to ask questions, get information, and start making friends! Just search "Color Guard at MFA Summer Symposium" on Facebook.

## **MUSIC PRODUCTION BOOT CAMP**

### **PLEASE BRING**

- Comfortable attire (shorts, jeans, and shirts): please note that you will be in air conditioning for the majority of your day.
- Notebooks and writing utensils
- While not required, you are encouraged to bring your laptop to be able to revisit some of the learned concepts on your own time. Fully equipped computer labs are available if you do not bring your own laptop

**SATURDAY SHOWCASE:** On Saturday morning, students will be able to showcase their production for family and friends. Each student should wear khaki shorts, athletic shoes, and a t-shirt that will be provided to students during camp.