

2021 Racer Band

Summer Newsletter, July 5 2021

Everything you need to know

Welcome to the 2021 edition of the Murray State Racer Band! This newsletter is designed to provide you with information for the beginning of our 2021 season. This document is VERY important for all members, rookies and vets alike, so please read all of it and follow each link. We cannot wait to see everyone in a month!

The Racer Band is Murray State's largest student organization and class! The Racer Band is representative of nearly every major on campus and is one of the most inclusive groups you can be a part of - this is a decision you won't regret. Our goal... perform with excitement and energy and bring the most spirit and enthusiasm to every event we are a part of both on and off-campus. Our motto: **We are proud. We are performers. We are Racers.**

We love hearing from all of our members! If you have a question, please do not hesitate to reach out to one of our student leaders. Visit www.racerband.com and click on [CONTACT](#) to connect with our 2021 Racer Band President, Emily Scrogam.

The following is a step-by-step guide connecting you to everything you need to know to get started.

1. Move-in and Check-in Schedules:

Please click on the appropriate move-in link for your specific instructions. If you have questions about which category you fall into, reach out to your section leader and they can help you. At the link, you will find detailed check-in instructions for both Racer Band and your dorm (if you are living on campus).

*****PLEASE NOTE - You do NOT need to schedule a time through MSU housing. We have pre-arranged times with housing as outlined in these links. You will be on a list to check-in the appropriate day. All members will be a part of the Wednesday 9:00-12:00 window.**

[Percussion Move-in Schedule](#)

[Color Guard Move-in Schedule](#)

[Officer/Drum Major Move-in Schedule](#)

[Section Leader/BARC Move-in Schedule](#)

[Brass Move-in Schedule](#)

[Woodwind Move-in Schedule](#)

2. Order your FREE Racer Band T-Shirt

All students need to order at least one (the first one is free) Racer Band T-shirt! After clicking the link, make sure you select "FREE STUDENT SHORT SLEEVE T," choose a size and add it to your cart. Feel free to add any additional items you would like to purchase. **EVERYONE MUST ORDER THE FREE SHIRT** in order to receive it at camp. Your full order (free shirt plus any additional items will be ready for

[Student Only Swag Store](#)

pick-up at registration!



3. Double-Check your course enrollment

All members must be officially registered for MUS 152 at Murray State University. Racer Band is a course for which you will receive a grade. Go to myGate and verify you are enrolled in our course.

ROOKIES ONLY** make sure you have submitted your contact information via RacerBand.com

[Murray State MyGate](#)

verify your course enrollment

[Rookies Click Here](#)

ROOKIES ONLY - fill out the online form from RacerBand.com to confirm all of your contact information

4. Racer Band Policies and Student Handbook

All members are responsible for reviewing the Racer Band Policies and Student Handbook prior to arriving for camp. Though we have no specific assignments/tests etc., it is important you understand the requirements for this class in order to earn a grade and credit.

[2021 Racer Band Handbook](#)

[Important Policies/Information](#)

Many specific questions about our organization can be answered here. Please review this information

[Uniform Care and Responsibilities](#)

[Instrument and Equipment Information](#)

[Absences](#)

Information on how to request/record absences

5. Schedules and Calendars

The official Racer Band Calendar is available on RacerBand.com and is available to sync to your smartphone. Students will also be required to download the BandApp during camp, which will also house our official schedule for the season.

The full band camp Schedule/Itinerary is available for download at the link provided.

[RacerBand.com Calendar Link](#)

[Band Camp Schedule/Itinerary](#)

Subject to change, download latest version on move-in day

[Racer Band Season Schedule Listed](#)

This is an overview of our season and for reference only. The official schedule will always be on the previous calendar

6. Audition Information for Percussionists Only

[Percussion Audition Information](#)

<p>The webpage provided includes instructions and links about auditions for drumline and front ensemble. DON'T WORRY, we have a spot for everyone, but we do have to audition to place people in positions where they can succeed and meet the instrumentation demands of the ensemble.</p>	<p>Please read this page carefully and follow all instructions! There will be a Drum Line day on Saturday, July 24th from 9:00AM - 5:00PM in the Performing Arts Hall at MSU. This is highly recommended for anyone interested in Drumline!</p>
<p><u>7. Audition Information for COLOR GUARD</u> This page provides information about joining color guard and auditioning for weapons.</p>	<p><u>Color Guard Audition Information</u></p>
<p><u>8. Audition Information for Solos and Features</u> Our 2021 Shows will have several opportunities for students to be featured and solo. As arrangements are completed, check back to RacerBand.com for parts and solo audition information. We will audition solos at the beginning of camp to help with drill writing.</p>	<p><u>Wind Solos and Feature Information</u></p>
<p><u>9. Staying Informed and connected</u> Band members will join our official Racer Band communication Bands App when they arrive for check-in. We invite all students, parents, friends, and family to join our Facebook Page and Facebook group to stay informed about upcoming events and performances. We will also continue posting FaceBook live performances through the Murray State Department of Music Facebook page. Please follow all of our pages to keep up with your students.</p>	<p><u>RacerBand.com</u> The official website of the Racer Band</p> <p><u>2021 Racer Band Facebook Group</u> This is our 2021 season Facebook Group, open to anyone</p> <p><u>Official Racer Band Facebook Page</u> This is the official Facebook Page of the Racer Band</p> <p><u>MSU Dept. of Music Facebook Page</u> This is where all Facebook Live performances of the Racer Band will be broadcast</p>
<p><u>9. Your final task:</u> Thank you for reviewing all of this important information. Save this email and use it to refer back to information for questions you may have. We are so looking forward to meeting everyone in August and having a wonderful season.</p>	<p><u>Please Complete this Checklist</u> Click on the link and fill out this quick checklist to make sure you have reviewed all information! THANK YOU!</p>

Thank you for taking the time to review all of this important material prior to arriving for camp! We are super excited about our 2021 Season!

