



O. Henry Middle School

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Dear Mustang Band Parents and Students,

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Due to A/C issues at O.Henry, we will be holding this year's Summer Band Camp at Austin High School (1715 Cesar Chavez St. 78703). We were just notified that our facility will NOT be ready for use. Fortunately Austin High has graciously agreed to host us in their Performing Arts Center. **We will meet August 5 – 9 (Monday – Friday) at the Austin High School PAC. However please note the time has changed to 8:30 AM – 11 AM.** Students should be dropped off/picked up near the circle drive closest to the AHS Performing Arts Center.

If your child needs to borrow a school owned instrument please let us know ASAP so we will have one available. We will need to transport those instruments from O.Henry to Austin High prior to the start of camp on Monday morning, Aug. 5. If you have a pick-up truck or SUV and are willing to help, please let us know.

What do I need for summer band?

- The summer band donation is **\$10**. This helps pay for daily snacks, drinks, and the pizza party on the final day (Friday, August 9). Please bring cash or check payable to O.Henry Band on the first day of camp.
- If you need to rent a school instrument, please let us know ASAP so we can arrange to have it transported from OHMS to Austin HS.
- Students will need a flip folder and lyre (attaches the flip folder to the instrument). Flutes should get the all in one Flutist Friend which attaches to their arm. Trumpets and trombones should get a special flip folder that clips on the bell so they don't need the lyre. It helps to have your instrument with you when going to the store to pick out the lyre to make sure it fits.
- Bring a pencil to mark and edit your music. Music will be distributed on the first day.
- Make sure your instrument is in good working order and you have the appropriate supplies for your instrument. (4 reeds, valve oil, etc). Percussionists should bring their stick bag with all sticks/mallets.

The AHS PAC will be open by 8 AM each morning for students who need to be dropped off early. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at Austin HS on the morning of Monday, August 5!

Sincerely,

Sedric Pinkney