

Barry Goldwater Pride Regiment 2025

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REHEARSALS & SECTIONALS

Rehearsals will take place every Tuesday and Thursday (there are some adjustments and additional rehearsal dates so please check your Events Calendar). All members are expected to participate in every rehearsal.

GUARD & PERCUSSION		BRASS & WOODWINDS	
Tuesday/Thursday Sectional	5:00pm - 6:00pm	Tuesday/Thursday Sectional	5:00 - 6:00pm
Tuesday/Thursday Rehearsal	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Tuesday/Thursday Rehearsal	6:00pm - 9:00pm
Wednesday Sectional	2:30pm - 4:00pm		
<i>Due to performance events and holidays, there are some adjusted days. It is the responsibility of the members to be aware of calendar adjustments, so please make sure you check the EVENTS calendar each week. This applies to rehearsals and sectionals.</i>			

Sectionals are rehearsals where students work with their individual groupings. Guard, Percussion, Woodwinds, and Brass will have sectionals on Tuesday/Thursday from 5:00-6:00pm. Guard and Percussion will also have sectionals on Wednesday. All members are expected to participate in every sectional.

If any changes are made to the rehearsal or sectional schedule, every attempt will be made to inform students and parents at least five (5) days in advance. Students are expected to check the Events Calendar and plan work, social activities, and medical appointments around the rehearsal schedule. Please see Mrs. Esparza as soon as possible if you are experiencing a conflict.

SHOW WORK DAYS & REHEARSALS DURING BREAK WEEKS: 9/20 and 10/2

Saturday, September 20 is scheduled as a SHOW WORK DAY to help students finish the show. The final time schedule will be announced one week in advance, but all students should plan to work on Saturday from 9am to 10:00pm with meal and snack breaks. ALL students will be expected to participate in this important work day.

During the week of our October Fall Break, we will only rehearse one day, October 2. This rehearsal will be from 4:00-9:00 pm in preparation for our Friday halftime show and our Saturday performance at Mountain Ridge on October 4. October 2 is a mandatory rehearsal and all students must participate in order to perform that weekend.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Guard and percussion will meet during late July, once a week, at the In-Town-Tuesdays on July 1, 9, and 15. Brass and woodwinds are encouraged to come in, especially for extra help on stand tunes and show music.

Band Leadership, Guard & Percussion Camp - July 16 & 17 @ 5:00-9:00 pm

Band Check-In Day - July 18 @ 4:00-7:00pm

Boot Camp Week 1 - July 21-25 @ 1:00-9:00 pm

Boot Camp Week 2 - July 28-29 @ 5:00-9:00 pm

All students are expected to attend the Boot Camp dates - this is the start-up of our season and the best way for all of our performers to start collaborating together. This is the best time to learn and refine the skills you will need both musically and marching. Please contact Mrs. Esparza in the event of time conflicts.

PERFORMANCES

There are five (5) home games, one (1) away game, and six to seven (5-6) marching festivals for this season. Students are expected to participate in all performances. Our band must be in the top 8 of our division to participate in the State Championships*.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
September 5 - FRI	Away Game v. Deer Valley	Deer Valley HS	October 18 - SAT	ABODA Invitational	Williams Field HS
September 12 - FRI	Home Game v. Skyline	Barry Goldwater	October 21 - TUE	DVUSD Exhibition	Sandra Day O'Connor
September 19 - FRI	Home Game v. Campo Verde	Barry Goldwater	October 25 - SAT	Rumblin' Drums Invitational	Barry Goldwater
October 3 - FRI	Home Game v. Dobson	Barry Goldwater	October 31 - FRI	Home Game v. Paradise Valley	Barry Goldwater
October 4 - SAT	AZMBA Invitational	Mountain Ridge HS	November 1 - SAT	State Semifinals	Gilbert or Tempe HS
October 10 - FRI	Homecoming Game	Barry Goldwater	November 15 - SAT	State Championships*	Glendale College

FEES FOR THE 2025-2026 PRIDE REGIMENT: Athletic Fees & Fair Shares

This year, **DVUSD is requiring all marching band students to pay an ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FEE of \$100.** This will be *in addition to the Fair Shares*. This can be paid at <https://az-deervalley.intouchreceipting.com/> or you can pay in person at the Goldwater Bookstore. Just let the school know it is for the Marching Band Participation Fee. It will not count toward your Fair Share fee.

Our FAIR SHARE participation fee has been LOWERED from \$450 to \$400. This reduction is to account for the new DVUSD Athletic Participation fee. The Fair Share Fee helps the band pay for: festival entry fees, instructional staff, music purchases, truck rentals, and various supplies. The fee payment schedule is in the table below. The Fair Share fees go to the Goldwater Bookstore and can be paid in person or online.

GOLDWATER FAIR SHARE FEES & DISCOUNTS		
Payment 1 - August 8	\$75	\$50 SIBLING DISCOUNT \$400 for 1st student \$350 for every sibling after
Payment 2 - August 22	\$65	
Payment 3 - September 5	\$65	
Payment 4 - September 19	\$65	
Payment 5 - October 10	\$65	
Payment 6 - October 24	\$65	
Total Fair Share	\$400	

All payments will be made to the GOLDWATER BOOKSTORE. You can either pay in-person or pay online at: <https://az-deervalley.intouchreceipting.com/>. A copy of the receipt should be given to Mrs. Esparza, so if you pay in-person, make sure to ask for an extra copy of the receipt. If you pay online, make sure to have a copy of the receipt emailed to you for your records.

It is important that each student gets the \$75 deposit paid by August 8. We have done everything we can to get this Fair Share as low as possible, but we have already outlaid many expenses and have many more to pay as the season progresses. ***Please don't let yourself get behind, but let Esparza know if you need more time.***

It is important for PARENTS and STUDENTS to contact Mrs. Esparza if you need to make an adjustment to the payment schedule or if you need help. My mobile number is 602-421-0516 (text me first) or you can contact me through the BAND App page in the chat. **CONSIDER PAYING THIS AS A TAX-CREDIT!**

In any case, please contact Mrs. Esparza if you have concerns or need to make an arrangement for payment of these fees. You can message me through the BGPR 2025-2026 Band App page, or email me at renee.young-esparza@dvusd.org.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

We have ways to HELP YOU HELP YOURSELF as you raise money for your fees! Please make sure you talk to me if you need help raising money for your Fair Share. Communicate with Mrs. Esparza if you need help, but don't let the Fair Share stop you from participating in our great band. Please speak with me! All students should plan to take part in the fundraisers provided to help alleviate the fees.

Rice Krispies Fundraiser

We will be selling RICE KRISPIES to help students raise money for their fees. This is a fundraiser that can be held on campus, but if parents can sell these at work, it will help. With a little hustle, this really is an easy money maker!

ButterBraids Sale

ButterBraids are a frozen pastry that you thaw, bake, frost and serve. They are a very popular fundraiser for our band program as many people are familiar with the ButterBraid product. We have had many students who are able to pay their entire Fair Share with this fundraiser. This will happen in time for Thanksgiving, so this is a great time to sell to family members and friends in Arizona. Please note that these items cannot be shipped so make sure your sales are local!

Vertical Raise Fundraiser

Last year, we did a donation fundraiser that helped many families raise money for Fair Shares. Start collecting your contact information for friends and family, especially those who are out of state. It's easy and if you really pay attention to how you present yourself, you can raise quite a bit of money! We will do this one in August.

Tax Credit Fundraiser: Anytime Fundraiser

Now Accepting Tax Credit Donations Online at <https://az-deervalley.intouchreceipting.com/>. You can pay online with your Visa, Mastercard, and Discover. Your donor can give any amount but it cannot exceed \$200 for single taxpayers or \$400 for joint tax filers. Consider asking neighbors (maybe babysit or do some chores in exchange?!) for smaller amounts to encourage giving! See Esparza for the Tax Credit Fundraiser form today!

Arizona tax law (ARS 43-1089.01) allows taxpayers a credit for contributions made for fees paid to a public school for support of extracurricular activities. The credit is a dollar for dollar credit that is equal to the amount contributed or the amount of fees paid. However, the credit cannot exceed \$200 for single taxpayers or heads of household. For married taxpayers who file a joint return, the credit cannot exceed \$400. You do not need to have a student enrolled in school to contribute!

Tax credit payments received between January 1 and April 15 may be applied to the current or prior tax year.

We want YOU in the Pride Regiment! Don't let band fees scare you away!

If you need help, please contact Mrs. Esparza through the Band App page, 'BGPR 2025-2026'.

BAND App Page: BGPR 2025-2026



Band App Page for BGPR 2025-2026: <https://band.us/n/aea9b0aar446z>

BG Band Website: www.bghs-bands.org

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