



CROSSMEN

DRUM & BUGLE CORPS

We are so close to the Crossmen Weekend Experience Camp in Austin Tx! I hope you are all as excited as we are. In this email I will be giving you a lot of information regarding the camp. The address for camp is: 5201 Ross Rd. Del Valle, TX 78617

Times:

Check-in at Del Valle High School for the camp will begin at on Friday Dec 15th:

- Percussion: check-in 4:00pm
- Brass: Check-in starts at 4:15pm
- Guard: Check-in starts at 4:30pm
- Everyone needs to eat dinner BEFORE arriving. We will have a late snack but not until approximately 10pm
- Note: Due to travel, some students will arrive after check-in. This is OK, just make sure the Corps Director knows your plans. Chris.Lyman@crossmen.org & info@crossmen.org

Camp will end by 6:00pm on Saturday!

Airport Shuttle

If you are flying into an Austin airport, we have a limited number of shuttles to and from the airport. It is critical that you tell us your plans as early as possible. Shuttles will be individually scheduled on Friday and Sunday. Please fill out this form to tell us your plans before 7pm Thurs Dec 14th: <https://forms.gle/W2PFe7q8KoNHQWPS7>

We will then contact you with shuttle information.

Health and COVID procedures:

- **Do not travel to camp if you are feeling sick (Flu, COVID, etc..)**
- You are required to bring a COVID rapid test to camp. We will test you when you arrive. Note that if you test COVID positive, you will need to return home.
 - We strongly encourage you to COVID test yourself before you travel, so that you don't travel sick and then test positive at check-in and have to go home.
- Here is an example of a COVID test that works well.
https://www.amazon.com/iHealth-COVID-19-Authorized-Non-invasive-Discomfort/dp/B09KZ6TBNY/ref=sr_1_3?crid=2TK5LGCG47SW2&keywords=ihealth+covid-19+antigen+rapid+test%2C+2+tests+per+pack&qid=1667253173&qu=eyJxc2MiOiIxLjQ1IiwicXNhIjoIMC42OSIsInFzcCI6IjAuNjQifQ%3D%3D&srefix=2+covid+tests%2Caps%2C112&sr=8-3

The eXperience Camp is meant to be like a rehearsal day on tour with the drum corps. You will be staying on site for the entire weekend, food will be provided, you will sleep on site in a gym

or large room (bring an air mattress or sleeping pad as well as blankets and a pillow), and showering and hygiene time will be planned for throughout the weekend. It is important that you plan for this by packing appropriately. Attached to this email is a suggested packing list for you to reference.

Our staff will be working with you all day, outside of mealtimes and meetings. It is imperative you wear appropriate clothing. Athletic attire and appropriate footwear is required. No open toed shoes are allowed during rehearsals. An appropriate water source is also required, you will be very active physically and you need to stay hydrated so you do not miss any time during rehearsals. Everyone will bring their audition materials and packet you should have already received after you registered, extras can be provided if needed.

The day of the camp, call any of these numbers if you need assistance:

- Chris Lyman - Corps Director: 817-999-6975
- Rico Gomez - Corps Manager: 956-458-1471
- Marshall Hallam - Operations Manager: 703-303-6505

If you have any questions about preparing for camp, please contact us at info@crossmen.org

Weekend Camp Packing Checklist

One Rapid COVID Test

SLEEPING GEAR

- Sleeping bag and/or air mattress
- Pillow
- Blanket(s)
- Appropriate Sleeping clothing

REHEARSAL CLOTHING

- No open toed shoes
- Athletic shorts/pants
- Athletic socks (required)
- T-shirts (loose and comfortable)
- Tennis shoes/sneakers (required)
- Guard auditionees should wear clothing appropriate for dance class and spinning

TOILETRIES

- Towel and shower shoes/flip flops
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash, floss
- Soap, shampoo, body wash
- Deodorant
- Shaving Cream & Razor

- Hair product
- Prescription medications

INSTRUMENT & EQUIPMENT

- Gallon Water Bottle/Jug
 - For the Spring Camps, we will want members to have matching red jugs. For fall camps you can bring any color. If you are going to buy one, it would be good to get a red one.
<https://www.walmart.com/ip/Igloo-1-Gallon-Sports-Beverage-Jug-with-Hooks-Red/925167316>
- Audition materials and packet
- Brass players:
 - Instrument – Bring your own
 - Sousas are allowed if Contras aren't accessible.
 - We will have a few Crossmen Brass instruments, but not enough for everyone – they will be time shared between students. So please bring your own horn
 - If you have issues or questions on this: info@crossmen.org
 - Gloves
 - Mouthpiece
 - **Red** Towel to place your horn on
 - Tubas use a bath towel
 - Valve oil
 - Music stand
- Battery:
 - Instrument (if possible)
 - We will have a few Crossmen battery instruments, but not enough for everyone – they will be time shared between students. So please bring your own where possible.
 - If you have issues or questions on this: info@crossmen.org
 - Sticks
 - Tape
 - Practice pad
 - Music stand
- Front Ensemble:
 - Mallets
 - Music stand
- Color guard:
 - Equipment (if possible)
 - If you're flying and need assistance contact us at info@crossmen.org
 - Gloves
 - Tape
 - Dance clothing