



Dear Prospective Color Guard Member:

Welcome to the Texas State Bobcat Marching Band's Color Guard audition process! The Color Guard is a vital component of the visual presentation of the marching band, and we are excited that you are interested in joining us.

This packet, along with the online application found at www.txstate.edu/bands contains all of the information you need to audition – please review all materials carefully. The online application will be available on our website **FEBRUARY 1** and must be submitted by **APRIL 26** at noon.

The live audition date for the 2024 season is **SATURDAY, APRIL 27. This audition is for all incoming AND returning members.** Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. in the lobby of the Jowers Building, and auditions will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please make sure you wear proper dance attire for the auditions. (See page three of this document for details.) Auditionees are asked to bring a sack lunch, water bottle, and snacks, as we will have a meal break during the audition block.

All auditionees will learn basics in dance and flag, and well as a short flag routine. If you do not have your own flag, we will provide it for you. You may also audition on weapons, but that is not a guarantee that weapons will be utilized in our shows or that you will be assigned to the weapons line.

You will be notified of the results within two weeks following your audition. Please make sure you input your most current contact information (email, phone, address) on the online application so we can provide you with details for the fall semester.

If you have additional questions, please email Kim Booher at txstateguard@gmail.com. Thank you for your interest in the Texas State Bobcat Marching Band Color Guard!

Sincerely,

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TEXAS STATE BOBCAT MARCHING BAND COLOR GUARD AUDITIONS

Texas State University

Jowers Building Gym 221/222

Charles Austin Drive

San Marcos, Texas 78666

campus map available online at: <http://www.maps.txstate.edu/>

Audition Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Registration: 9:00 AM

Auditions: 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Directions from Austin/Dallas/Waco and the I-35 Corridor North

Follow I-35 South to San Marcos, take exit #206. Merge right onto Aquarena Springs Drive/Loop 82. Take the elevated roadway.

#At the end of the elevated roadway, take a left at the next light onto Charles Austin Drive. Take the next right in the University Events Center parking lot. The Jowers gym is at far side of the building. Enter through the glass doors for registration. (see map below)

Directions from San Antonio/Corpus Christi/Laredo and I-35 Corridor South

Follow I-35 North to San Marcos, take Exit #206 (Aquarena Springs Drive/Loop 82). Turn left on Aquarena Springs Drive/Loop 82 going under I-35 towards the University. Take the elevated roadway. Follow directions from # above.

Directions from Houston/Galveston/Beaumont and I-10 Corridor East

Driving west on I-10, exit onto HWY 123 North. Stay on HWY 123 to San Marcos (approximately 22 miles). At I-35 turn right and go north on I-35 to Exit #206 (Aquarena Springs Drive/Loop 82). Turn left on Aquarena Springs Drive/Loop 82 going under I-35 towards the University. Take the elevated roadway. Follow directions from # above.



Audition Dress Code

Females	Clothing: Leotards, Unitards, Shorts, Dance Skirts, Dance Pants that do not impede the sight of the feet or ankles, tank tops, sports bras, tights – ALL BLACK Shoes: Bare foot, ballet slippers, socks Hair: Pulled into tight pony tail or bun, no hair in the face or eyes Make up: Light makeup acceptable
Males	Clothing: Leotards, Unitards, Shorts, Dance Pants that do not impede the sight of the feet or ankles, tank tops, tights – ALL BLACK Shoes: Tennis shoes, Ballet slippers, bare foot Hair: Hair should be off the face and out of eyes Makeup: none required

What to bring

- Any equipment of your own – although we will provide some equipment
- A friend that may be interested in auditioning
- Bandages, ice packs, band aids, or any first aid supplies you might need
- Snacks and drinks; a sack lunch

Once you enter the gym, please do the following

- Set your things away from the performance area and doorway
- Ensure that all contact information is correct and up to date at the registration table
- Dress and gather things needed for the audition
- Meet and introduce yourself to everyone you don't already know

What to expect

- The audition is a one-day workshop loaded with new information and ideas. We will write the piece we want you to perform, not expecting you to be perfect. We do hope you enjoy the experience and leave having learned something new.
- The audition will consist of technique in both movement and equipment. You will be involved in up to 2 mini sessions and will be asked to "perform" them in small groups on camera.

It is a very supportive atmosphere - don't be afraid, just do what you know how to do!

Questions? Contact Kim Booher at: txstateguard@gmail.com