



PASADENA CITY COLLEGE
TOURNAMENT OF ROSES HONOR BAND
2018-2019
FACT SHEET
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY



- 1) All members participating in the Tournament of Roses Honor Band must enroll at Pasadena City College and then register in the class "Music 55." High School students must apply to the college online. Instructions are given on the enclosed yellow sheet titled Enrollment Procedures and the bright green sheet titled PCC Apply for Admission Online Instructions (high school students only). Two college credits are given for the class. No one will be permitted to perform with the band unless enrollment has been completed. **Required forms must be mailed back to the PCC Band office with a postmark deadline of Thursday, October 25** (Please remember to include ample postage - \$1.50 minimum recommended).

- 2) The first rehearsal is Sunday, November 4, 2018. It is also a PCC Swap Meet day. Park in Lot 4 structure (enter from Del Mar Blvd.) Parking permits cost \$2, and may be purchased from vending machines within the Lot 4 parking structure.
 - a) The current PCC Band (college-age) wind players will do their uniform-fitting on Saturday, October 27. Any PCC Band wind student who misses the Oct. 27 fitting must come to GM-140 at 9:30 am on Nov. 4 (with a note of explanation concerning the absence on Oct. 27).
 - b) ANY band member (high-school OR college) wishing to order band shoes via PCC has only two opportunities to do so: 11 am on Nov. 4, or 11 am on Nov. 11. Go to CA-134 for fittings; payment must be made when ordering. Please wear suitable socks for accurate shoe-fitting.
 - c) All Pageantry must arrive at 10 am on Nov. 4 for costume and shoe fittings in the Women's Gym (W-102); any pageantry members who do not purchase their shoes on this date must come at 10 am on Nov. 11 for shoe fittings (W-102). After the costume fittings on Nov. 4, the pageantry rehearsal will begin at 12 noon in W-102.
 - d) The entire percussion section (high school AND college members) must arrive at 10 am to fit uniforms in GM-140, and the percussion rehearsal starts at noon in the Stadium. (Shoe orders are taken at 11 am in CA-134; please wear suitable socks for accurate shoe-fitting.) Even if you are ordering shoes, please bring the marching shoes you use with your high school or college band, regardless of color, so we can adjust the pant length accurately.
 - e) Wind players should be standing in the Amphitheatre, warmed up, and ready to start rehearsing by 1 pm sharp. **Band members must bring a PENCIL and all MUSIC (downloadable from www.pccb.com by October 28)** to each rehearsal. Please arrive at PCC by 12:40 pm. Remember that band members wishing to purchase shoes via PCC must come to CA-134 no later than 11 am—either on Nov. 4 or Nov. 11. (Please wear suitable socks for accurate shoe-fitting.)
 - f) Herald Trumpets should also gather in the Amphitheatre by 1 pm, and will leave with their instructor for their rehearsal location after a meeting with the full Tournament Band and Pageantry. Mr. Brown will distribute the music during rehearsal. Herald Trumpets wishing to purchase shoes via PCC must come to CA-134 at 11 am—either on Nov. 4 or on Nov. 11. (Please wear suitable athletic socks for accurate shoe-fitting.)

- 3) A schedule for rehearsals and performances is enclosed. Please check all of these dates to make sure no conflicts exist. The only acceptable excused absences are:
 - a) Illness
 - b) School performing group: performance conflict (not rehearsals). Please note that NO school performances will be excused from Saturday, Dec. 15 through the parade on Jan. 1—please confirm with your band director that you are required to be at all Honor Band rehearsals from Dec. 15 onward.
 - c) Documented family emergency (family trips, birthday parties, holiday get-togethers, etc., will not be excused)

Please ensure that your family, employer, and director(s) are aware of the complete time commitment required for participation in the Tournament of Roses Honor Band; give them a copy of the green schedule if necessary.

- 4) Any illness or family emergency absence or tardiness—whether excused or unexcused—must be **explained** in a written note signed by your parent or guardian, even if you telephone or email first. (Those 18 years old and over may write their own note.) Any school performance absence or tardy should be submitted BEFOREHAND on school letterhead, signed by the director; notes from parents are NOT accepted for school performances. All notes must explain the reason for the absence or tardy, and these explanations should be submitted to the band office. Notes for unplanned tardies or absences must be submitted to the band office no later than the following rehearsal. (Please do not give the note to any other instructor.) **As a courtesy, please be sure to contact the band office by phone or email to report an absence ahead of the missed rehearsal/performance.** Please be aware that explanations for absences or tardies may be subject to verification; instances of dishonesty will lead to dismissal from the band program.

- 5) Any "illness" absences on **November 11, November 18** and **December 22** must be verified with Urgent Care documentation (dated the day of missed rehearsal).

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- 6) Students will not be excused from ANY portion of scheduled rehearsals and/or performances in order to attend drum corps auditions/activities. Contact corps directors to inquire about alternate audition options.
- 7) NO allowances are made for work OR extra-curricular performing groups (non-school groups—dance teams, church choirs, youth orchestras, other honor groups, etc.). Anyone with an unexcused absence (and please be aware that three tardies = one absence) OR anyone with three excused absences may be asked to drop the class; percussion and pageantry members are permitted only ONE excused absence.
- 8) Band members will need to provide their own long-wristed white cotton gloves (available to purchase through band for \$4 per pair), plain white T-shirt, plain white underwear, and white marching band shoes (all-white shoes, including white soles). Tubas players and herald trumpets/snare wear a white beret (available from the uniform crew for \$10). Percussionists (except for cymbal players) need “double” plain white wristbands (available from uniform crew for \$10). **We require that you wear white marching shoes at every outdoor rehearsal and performance, beginning December 9, 2018.** Do not wait until the last minute to acquire these items, since the shoes may have to be special ordered. See the goldenrod sheet titled Band Uniform Information or Pageantry Cost Sheet for more information.
- 9) As noted above, uniform and costume fitting will begin on November 6 (October 29 for college wind-players). Uniform fittings for high-school band members will continue during the next three rehearsals (see the green schedule for your fitting time). Please bring the marching shoes you use with your high school band, regardless of color, so we can adjust the pant length accurately.
- 10) As noted above, a shoe supplier will visit our rehearsal on November 4 and November 11 (in room CA-134) to fit and take orders for the white leather marching shoes; shoe fitting will take place at 11 am those two days (note that fittings for Pageantry shoes will be at 10 am in W-102). The cost is \$50 and can be paid with either cash or check* made payable to “PCC Band.” (Sorry; we cannot accept credit cards.) Payment must be made on the day that you try on shoes; NO orders will be placed without payment. If you miss these two opportunities to order shoes, you must purchase them on your own. *There is a \$25 service charge for a returned check. Please wear suitable socks for accurate shoe-fitting.
- 11) Students who wear prescription glasses must have non-transition lenses—no exceptions. The use of sunglasses and transition lenses are not allowed during marching rehearsals or performances. Eyeglass frames must be plain, with no “bling.”
- 12) The object of wearing matching uniforms, etc., is to create “uniformity” — so that the audience's focus is on the group rather than on individuals (visually and musically). To that end, we do not allow jewelry when wearing the uniform —this restriction includes necklaces (including religious medals), watches and bracelets (including commitment braids), earrings, nose and lip jewels, finger rings, decorative hair clips, etc. Men must be either clean shaven or their facial hair must be grown in (no three day old beards nor Santa beards either). Other forms of body ornamentation that would draw focus to individuals are also not allowed, including hair dye in unnatural colors (pink, blue, green, etc.), visible tattoos, large and/or non-skin tone earplugs, and so forth. Similarly, students may not add decorations to their uniforms or instruments—souvenir pins, roses, etc.
- 13) All travel done by the Tournament of Roses Honor Band starts and ends on the PCC campus at the Center for the Arts building at the call-times listed on the schedule. Buses will be provided for all travel.
 - a) Please arrive at least 15 minutes before the call-time; the buses leave promptly as listed on the schedule.
 - b) Only tubas, percussion, flags, & banners will be taken by truck. All other instruments are carried on the assigned bus.
 - c) All students are required to ride the bus; you may not drive on your own without the director’s express approval. Students who drive themselves to an off-campus rehearsal location without prior permission may be dropped from the band.
 - d) It is your responsibility to arrange for transportation to and from PCC.
- 14) Any current high school student must continue to be a member in good standing of his or her high school band program to be eligible for participation in the Tournament of Roses Honor Band.
- 15) Any current college student must continue to be a registered member in good standing of the Pasadena City College Lancer Marching Band & Color Guard to be eligible for participation in the Tournament of Roses Honor Band.
- 16) **Remind.com** – send the text message **@roseshb** to the number **81010** on both student’s and parents’ cellphones. All subscribers will receive important text notifications about the honor band over the course of the season. There are no registration costs and members can unsubscribe at anytime.
- 17) Please contact the Pasadena City College Band Office with any remaining questions:
Office Phone: (626) 585-7024 **Email: PCCBandDirector@yahoo.com**