Greetings All!
I hope you are enjoying your summer and looking forward to the Fall semester! We have a lot of awesome things in store for this year and I hope you are all making plans to join us for all we have to offer! First, we are so pleased with the progress all the bands made last year. It was our first year to do the Music Major for a Day event. We had our first ever wind ensemble tour, and our first ever recording session! The Pep band continued to provide much needed support for our basketball teams, and the GEB marched in the St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Savannah!

Let’s all make it our goal to build on this success this year! For returning members or new members who need an instrument before school starts- they are all back from the shop where they had maintenance and repairs. If you need to check out an instrument, just email the director of your ensemble and we will work out a time for you to come get it. As always, we need you to sign an instrumental loan contract before we can allow you to take the instrument.

We will once again have a brief one-day band camp on the Saturday before classes begin- Aug. 19. The purpose of the camp is logistics and rehearsing pep band tunes for the Convocation ceremony in GVL and DAH on the first day of classes (Monday Aug. 21.) ALL BAND STUDENTS, REGARDLESS OF ENSEMBLE, PERFORM FOR THE CONVOCATION.

YOU MUST REGISTER FOR BAND CAMP USING THIS FORM:
CLICK ME TO REGISTER

All band students performing for the ceremonies will be excused from classes that day. The GVL ceremony is at noon and the DAH ceremony is at 5:00. The link to the band camp schedule is here. The link to the music we will be rehearsing at camp and performing 2 days later is here. Please download all music and bring to band camp.

We will once again be auditioning for part placement/chairs at band camp. The links to the audition material are on the front page of each ensemble website. The excerpts and requirements are exactly the same for the Gainesville Symphonic Band and the Dahlonega Wind Ensemble:

Symphonic Band
Wind Ensemble

We have recruited a number of new students to the ensembles, and we are continuing to add to our rosters with each orientation. However, this doesn’t mean we are through! You are the best recruiters we have. Please pass along this information to any interested parties and have them contact us! If you know of band students coming to UNG, please encourage them to join us!

Thanks,

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Director of the Golden Eagle Band

Dr. Steven Walker
Director of the UNG Pep Band

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