Director of Percussion

Mark Foster

Lee Hughes Bryant Ramey Jeffrey Lepa



Parents and Students,

We would like to formally invite you to audition for the Robertsdale High School Percussion Ensemble, which is an audition-based group that is a crucial part of our halftime show. It is broken into 2 parts; the Drumline and the Front Ensemble. The halftime show is performed at all football games, as well as various contests throughout the fall semester.

All percussion members are required to be in the marching band, a concert ensemble, and the percussion ensemble. The instrument placement auditions will take place at Robertsdale High School.

All 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Central Baldwin Middle School and current Robertsdale High School students are eligible to audition! Please see the audition schedule below, along with the application attached. The application must be submitted no later than Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. All Percussion costs will be outlined on the attached form.

Please be sure to check the website often for updates! The band website will be updated regularly. Also, be sure to join the group "Robertsdale High School Golden Bear Band" on Facebook. We will also keep this group updated and informed daily!

Best of luck, and we look forward to seeing you audition! Mr. Hughes, Mr. Ramey, Mr. Lepa, and Mr. Foster

#### **Percussion Audition Camps**

April 12<sup>th</sup>: 3:30 P.M.-5:00 P.M. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ONLY April 19<sup>th</sup>: 3:30 P.M-5:00 P.M. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ONLY April 21<sup>st</sup>: 3:30 P.M.-5:00 P.M. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ONLY \*Returning RHS students will audition during class.

Audition Results will be posted the evening of April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### After School Practices (Mandatory)

May 10<sup>th</sup>: 3:30 P.M.-5:00 P.M. ALL MEMBERS May 12<sup>th</sup>: 3:30 P.M.-5:00 P.M. ALL MEMBERS May 19<sup>th</sup>: 3:30 P.M.-5:00 P.M. ALL MEMBERS

May 10<sup>th</sup> – All incoming and returning band members meeting - 6:30pm at RHS Gym
\*\*\*Attendance at this meeting is required\*\*\*

Please complete the online Medical and Intent form located on our website at:

https://www.robertsdalehighschoolband.com

# Robertsdale High School Percussion Ensemble Obligation Schedule and Outline

Item description	Cost	Due Date
Percussion Obligation Payment 1	\$110	4/26/22
Percussion Obligation Payment 2	\$70	6/1/22
Percussion Obligation Payment 3	\$70	7/1/22
Percussion Obligation Payment 4	\$70	8/1/22
Percussion Obligation Payment 5	\$70	11/1/22
Band Shoes (If Needed)	\$35	8/1/22
Total Costs:	\$390	With Shoes: \$425

The above items are required for participation. The Band Obligation must be paid yearly. <u>All payments made are non-refundable.</u> Band Obligations are used to purchase items needed for the band including (but not limited to) music, instruction, t-shirts, transportation, maintenance and repair of equipment, and anything determined necessary by the director and approved by the principal.

You may pay all at once, or by the payment schedule shown above. If there are any questions or concerns, please call or email either of the directors at the following addresses:

Phone: (251) 947-4154 Email(s): lthughes@bcbe.org -or- bramey@bcbe.org

Best wishes,

Mr. Hughes, Mr. Ramey, Mr. Lepa, and Mr. Foster

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\*\*\*Please make all checks payable to Robertsdale High School Band\*\*\*

# **Robertsdale High School Percussion Ensemble**

# **Audition Contract**

Student Name:
Current School:
Parent Name:
Parent Phone Number:
By signing below, I agree to understanding the attached obligation schedule, band camp schedule, and permit my child to audition for the Robertsdale High School Percussion. I understand that the Robertsdale High School Percussion is an audition-only ensemble, and that my child must attend the required Audition Camps and After School Practices in order to be eligible for membership.
The first percussion obligation payment will be due on April 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2022. You MUST have completed a medical form in order to audition. It can be found on our website at <a href="https://www.robertsdalehighschoolband.com">https://www.robertsdalehighschoolband.com</a>
PARENT SIGNATURE:
DATE:
STUDENT SIGNATURE:
DATE:

Please return to Mrs. Cummings, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Ramey, or Mr. Lepa no later than April 11th, 2022

### **Audition Materials**

All students will be participating in the Percussion Class and are expected to perform on both mallets and drums. The audition requirements will consist of the following rudiments, scales, and exercises. These are the minimum requirements to participate in the percussion ensemble. Students will be taught all listed below in class at CBMS/RHS and at after school audition camps. However, individual practice is essential for their success.

#### **Snare Rudiments:**

- 1. Single Stroke Roll
- 2. Single Stroke Four
- 3. Single Stroke 7
- 7. 5-Stroke Roll
- 10. 9-Stroke Roll
- 15. 17-Stroke Roll
- 16. Single Paradiddle
- 17. Double Paradiddle
- 19. Paradiddle-diddle
- 21. Flam Accent
- 22. Flam Tap
- 32. Single Drag tap
- 34. Lesson 25

#### **Snare Exercises:**

#2- Accent Taps #6- Paradiddle Mania #3- 16<sup>th</sup> Note Accents #8- Duple Drags and Rolls #4- 16<sup>th</sup> Note Timing Grid A Musical Exercise

#### **Mallet Requirements:**

C, F, Bb, Eb, D, G

#### **Mallet Exercises:**

Summertime2-Mallet RollsSpeed 1Blocks 1-2-3-4Speed 2A Musical Exercise

If there are any questions, please email Mr. Hughes at <a href="https://linear.nlm.nih.goog.new.org">https://linear.nlm.nih.goog.new.org</a>

# Robertsdale High School Golden Bear Band Summer/Fall Schedule

### June Camp

7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>

9:00am - 10:30am - Snares

10:30am - 12:00am - Tenor

1:00pm - 2:30pm - Bass

2:30pm - 4:00pm - Front Ensemble

# Percussion Camp

July  $11^{th} - 15^{th}$ 

- 8:00am 12:00am
- 1:00pm 5:00pm

## FULL BAND CAMP (Winds, Percussion, and Guard)

July 25th – July 29th

- 8:00am 11:30am
- Lunch Break
- 1:00pm 4:30pm
- Dinner Break
- 6:00pm 8:30pm

August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

- 3:30pm - 8:30pm

### August 10<sup>th</sup> First Day of Classes

- After School Practice Begins (3:00pm – 5:30pm every Tuesday and Thursday)

## August 26<sup>th</sup> – First Game TBA

- A game/performance schedule will be published no later than June 1. There is generally a football game every Friday until November 1, and weekends in October need to be reserved as potential contest weekends.

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All dates posted above are mandatory and required.