



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE
EAST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY

BAND ALUMNI WEEKEND



Information and FAQ

Who is eligible to participate?

- Anyone who graduated from TAMUC/ETSU and successfully completed at least one season of marching band during their academic career.

What if I can't attend the Friday night reception?

- No worries. Friday night is a social event for those who are able to attend. All rehearsals and the actual performance of the Alumni Band are on Saturday.

What instruments will be provided?

- We will be able to provide most large instruments including sousaphones and marching percussion (bring your own mouthpieces). Stick/mallet information will be sent to percussionists as they register. We have a limited number of mellophones and baritones that may be available on a first-come-first-served basis. Otherwise, concert instruments (French Horns, Euphoniums, etc.) are acceptable.
- Please email musictamuc@gmail.com or call (903) 886-5303 for instrument questions.

Do I need a flip folder?

- Yes! (Unless you have a great memory!) Flip folders will be provided and distributed at the 1st rehearsal.

How do I register?

- Use the link below for online registration for the event. Within the registration form is an additional link to online payment. You will be asked to supply a confirmation code of your payment at the end of the registration form. The registration deadline is Friday August 23rd.
<https://forms.gle/iQgzBdLUT2rCrCTAA>

How much does the event cost?

- The cost for registration is \$35.00, which includes a ticket to the football game, a polo shirt (which is required for performance), and lunch on Saturday. An optional alumni band hat will also be available for an additional \$10.00.

Can my family purchase extra tickets to the game or luncheon and sit near me?

- You can purchase additional game tickets for family members at a cost of \$5.00 each. Family members are encouraged to join Alumni Marching Band members in Section A in the West stands.
- Lunch will be provided for all those who have registered for the event, and for family members who paid for the luncheon online. This catered meal will take place in the lobby of the Music Building.

What if I haven't played my instrument in a while?

- No problem! Whether it's been a month, a year, or a decade, we'd love to have anyone who is eligible join us for this special event.

How do I access the music ahead of time (In case I want to practice)?

- Music will be made available ahead of time on the Department of Music website. Watch your email and the band social media accounts for an announcement.

When will colorguard routines be available?

- Flag choreography will be available via online video. Watch your email and the band social media accounts for an announcement. 6' flag poles and silks will be provided the day of the event.

What do I need to bring if I come to tailgate?

- The Music Department has reserved 4 tailgate spaces on the Northwest lawn of the Music Building (spots 36, 37, 38, 39) and will provide tents, tables and chairs. Bottled water will be provided, but alumni band members will need to bring their favorite snacks and beverages. See the Lion Athletics website for additional details/restrictions
- <https://lionathletics.com/sports/2015/8/12/Tailgating%20Rules.aspx>

Is there an option for someone who wants to play, but prefers not to march?

- Absolutely. If you want to play with the band in the stands during the game, and do not, or are not able to march with the band, we would still love to have you participate in the event.

What should I wear?

- Alumni band members will wear the official alumni band polo shirt and khaki slacks. We encourage family to wear TAMUC / ETSU spirit attire as well. See the link below to order game-day gear!
- <http://www.amcbookstore.com/merchandise>