

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Bands Band Day Information Packet

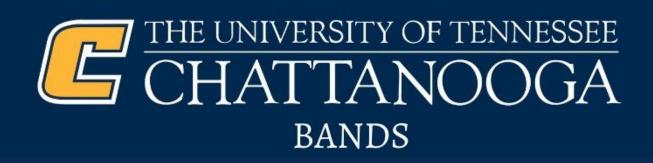
Saturday, November 1st, 2025

Directors, Parents, and Students!

We are thrilled to welcome you to Finley Stadium this year for our 18th Annual Band Day! This packet contains the itinerary and logistics for this year's event. Note, that the following information is specific to both individual registrants and groups.

Thank you for your support and interest in the Marching Mocs! We look forward to working with you!

GO MOCS!



Band Day Schedule - 2025

 * The schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the Athletic Band Director *

TIMING	EVENT
10:15 AM	Check in OPENS at Finley Stadium (See map of stadium for where to check-in)
11:05 AM	Check in CLOSES Please try to arrive early, lines will be long! Students might risk missing part of their sectional.
11:15 AM	Join your section to go over Band Day music
11:45 AM	Rehearsal on Field in Band Day Formation
12:30 PM	Head to Visitor stands to setup with Marching Mocs
1:00 PM	Finalize seating in visitor stands. Head to Lunch Pizza and Water, provided. Students are free to walk around the Pavilion
3:20 PM	Marching Mocs, Moc Rock Concert As soon as the Moc Rock performance is over, join your section to head to the field.
3:33 PM	Head to Field from Moc Rock
3:38 PM	Band Day Performance
3:49 PM	Marching Mocs Pre-Game Performance
4:02 PM	Kick-off! - Offense and Defense Cheers - Be ready to play both Band Day selections, again, during a Timeout!
5:30 PM	Half-Time Performance by the Marching Mocs!
7:20 PM	End of Game Homeward Bound!

Venue:

All participants and groups should travel to the address provided below. Take note, game day traffic can be challenging on small city streets. It is recommended to allow an additional 30 minutes for your commute to account for traffic, parking, and walking.

Address:

Finley Stadium 1826 Carter Street Chattanooga, TN 37402



Band Day participants will sit in section 128. Directors, chaperones, family, and friends will sit in the adjacent sections 129, or 127. Depending on the size of the ensemble the day-of, the band could overflow into other sections. Please be prepared to move if asked.

Parking:

Individual students and chaperones arriving by car should park in the North Lot, located behind the visitor's section of Finley Stadium (see the yellow circle below). Please note that there is a \$15 parking fee, which is the responsibility of each driver. While other parking options are available, the North Lot is the only guaranteed parking for participants.

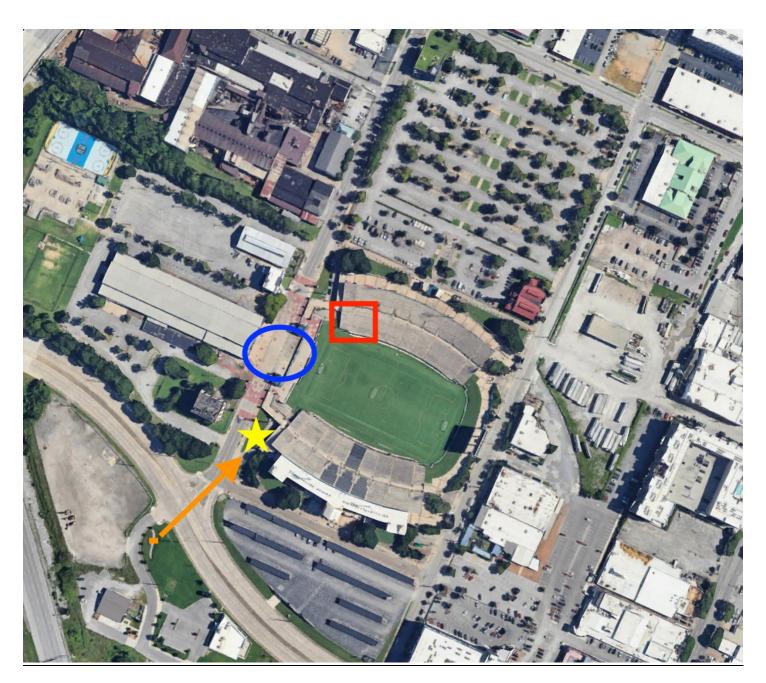


Groups arriving by bus should drop off at the corner of Reggie White Boulevard and 20th Street (see the red square indicated above). The right lane of 20th Street headed westbound will be closed and buses should be directed to park there; between the streets of Chestnut and Reggie White.

Key Locations on Game Day:

Finley Stadium

- The ORANGE ARROW points to where to enter the stadium for rehearsals and check-in!
- The YELLOW STAR is where the Marching Mocs Equipment Truck will be parked.
- The RED SQAURE is where the combined band will sit during the game.
- The BLUE OVAL is where the Moc-Rock concert will be held.



Tickets:

<u>Student</u> participation tickets are \$28, and must be purchased **BEFORE CHECK-IN**. https://factickets.evenue.net/event/F25/MMBD25

Tickets must be shown to one of the volunteers working the check-in table.

For <u>Band Programs</u> bringing a *registered* group, every 10 registered participants will result in a complimentary ticket for chaperones. Band Directors will automatically receive a ticket. These passes will be distributed at check in.

- Example: East Cupcake Middle School registers 22 students, and therefore the program will receive three complimentary tickets for chaperones. Two for the 10-participant rule, and one for the director.

Non-chaperone adults, family, and friends attending Band Day should purchase a discounted ticket **BEFORE** the day of game. Tickets can be purchased at:

https://gomocstickets.evenue.net/promotions

Using the Promo Code: BANDDAY2025

- Select the cheapest ticket option, and you will be allowed to sit next to the band.

Water/Snacks:

We encourage all participants to bring a water bottle or jug to Band Day to stay hydrated throughout the day. Students will receive one bottle of water with their lunch.

Snacks are allowed as needed throughout the day, but eating in the stands during the game is very limited. Students may eat concessions immediately following the Half Time performance, and before the clock strikes "10.00" during 3^{rd} quarter.

Clear Bag Policy:

Participants should leave their instrument cases in their cars or on the bus. When heading to the meeting point, bring only your instrument, water jug, and any other equipment needed for the performance into the stadium.

It is highly recommended to place items such as sunblock, deodorant, and similar essentials in a Ziploc bag to comply with Finley Stadium's clear bag policy.



What to Wear:

- Students will receive a Band Day T-shirt upon check-in. This shirt must be worn to enter the stadium and perform with us. Tennis shoes or other closed-toe shoes are preferred. For the performance, students are asked to wear khaki shorts or pants along with their Band Day T-shirt

Music:

All Band Day Music can be found <u>HERE</u>. No copies will be provided the day of the event. Music should be memorized, placed into a flip-folder, or have the music saved to your phone with the proper clip for your instrument.

Woodwinds / Brass / Percussion:

- All music is provided to you via a One Drive Folder. The link to the folder can be found above.
- You are required to print your own music, for your band or for yourself.
- Color Guard and Majorette choreography information is included below.
- Students will need to supply their own flip folder.

Colorguard:

- Videos of Choreography
 - o Abracadabra BREAKDOWN
 - o Abracadabra FULL
 - o Golden BREAKDOWN
 - o Golden FULL
- You will need to bring the following:
 - o A Flag with a silk
 - Hair & Makeup Supplies, if applicable

Majorettes:

- Videos of Choreography
 - o Abracadabra FRONT
 - o Abracadabra BACK
 - o Abracadabra COUNTS
 - o Golden FULL
 - o Golden BACK
 - o Golden COUNTS
- You will need to bring the following:
 - o Batons
 - o Twirling Costume
 - o Tights
 - Performance Shoes
 - Hair & Makeup Supplies
 - Try to pack all of this in a Ziploc gallon bag, so it will pass Finley's Clear Bag Policy!
- If you have any questions, Contact our Twirling Coach, Jenny Hannah at: jehannah@msn.com

Percussion:

- Parts can be located by Clicking <u>HERE</u>.
- Unfortunately, the logistics of this event prohibit us from facilitating a front ensemble section. Therefore, musicians are encouraged to participate on battery drums or cymbals.
- Percussionists must provide their own instruments sticks or bass drum mallets.

Food:

- Students will receive a meal and water after the rehearsal
- It is recommended that students bring something to snack on after our practice session in the afternoon, as the provided meal will be the only food provided.

FAQs:

What Do Parents Do During the Day?

We just ask that you be in the area in case an emergency arises. You are free to watch rehearsal, some of our Music Department Faculty will be on hand to answer any questions about UTC that you may have!

All individuals students not traveling in a group are required to have a guardian or chaperone. Please make arrangements with your school's director to ensure that your student has parental supervision.

Will water be provided?

Students will be provided with 1 (one) bottle during the day, which will be provided after their performance during Pregame. We ask that everyone brings their own water jug or thermos full of water to drink during rehearsal and throughout the day. Concessions will be open to purchase bottles of water during the game, if needed. Come prepared to stay hydrated!

What about inclement weather?

Please bring rain gear, or ponchos in case of inclement weather. We will not be able to provide ponchos for any students. Please check the weather and plan accordingly!

PRINT THIS CHECKLIST TO CHECK ITEMS OFF AS YOU PACK!!

INSTRUMENT
UTC does not loan instruments or equipment!
Instrument accessories Reeds, cork grease, valve oil, cleaning swabs, mouthpieces, ligatures, percussion sticksbring it all!
Music
Music will be distributed to all registered students or bands via Google Drive prior to the event. It is the director's/student's responsibility to ensure all students have music Music WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE when you arrive at UTC!
Flip Folders / Cell Phone with attachment
Students will want to have these for their music!
Water, water <u>WATER!</u> Please make sure that you bring enough water to keep your students and chaperones hydrated throughout the day.
Poncho/sunscreen:
Umbrellas are NOT permitted in Finley Stadium, so you are advised to bring a pocket poncho with you. Please check the daily forecast as we get closer to the event.
Additional money for concessions and/or UTC souvenirs!

Note: Students should wear comfortable clothing for the morning rehearsal (Shorts, T-shirts, tennis/athletic shoes, etc.) Students will be provided a T-shirt to wear during the game. Khaki or light-colored shorts/pants are recommended for the game, along with athletic/tennis shoes. Students should not wear sandals, flip flops or open-toed shoes for the rehearsal or game.

Directors, staff, and chaperones are requested to wear a polo or t-shirt with your school's name clearly visible.