

LONGHORN MUSIC CAMP

Middle School Band Camp

June 6–12, 2010

2010 HANDBOOK

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ABOUT LMC

2010 SESSION DATES AND PRICES

Middle School Band Camp: June 6–12, 2010

\$495 residential

\$350 day-camper

Registration deadline for all camps is **May 26**

Private lessons may be purchased for an additional \$30

FEES

Cancellation fee prior to May 26	\$75
Cancellation fee after May 26	Full Camp Fee
University Health Services per use fee (billed by UHS)	\$60+
Lost room key fee (to be collected at time of loss)	\$10–\$50
Lost meal band fee (to be collected at time of loss)	\$5–\$15
Lost combination lock fee (to be collected at time of loss)	\$5
Property damage (where applicable)	Case-by-case Determination

Fee Notes

Day-Camper fee includes: instruction, camper t-shirt, all lunches, Sunday night pizza, Friday night banquet, Saturday BBQ lunch for camper.

Residential Camper fee includes: instruction, camper t-shirt, housing, all meals, Friday night banquet, Saturday BBQ lunch for camper.

There is a \$10–\$50 charge to pay the cost of labor and materials for lock changes. Once the maintenance request has been entered, there can be no reversal of the order and the camper's parents will be required to pay the full amount. A bent or broken key will be replaced at no charge if there is no evidence of vandalism. Keys must be turned in upon checkout.

Parents are financially responsible for any and all damages caused by the camper to University of Texas property, including, but not limited to School of Music facilities and dormitory facilities.

DESCRIPTION OF CAMP

The Middle School Band program is designed to accommodate musicians ranging from the most talented and proficient to the less experienced, with a minimum of one year of training on their chosen instrument or voice. It is **open to graduates of grades 6, 7 or 8.** The five concert bands are conducted by outstanding band directors from around the state. This session provides an excellent opportunity for young musicians to improve their individual performance skills. Instruction includes rehearsals, sectionals, master classes, supervised practice, and optional private lessons. Students who have completed the 8th grade may register for Middle School and/or High School Band Camp. Whatever the level of proficiency, all LMC campers will find new challenges and opportunities that will enhance their abilities as musicians. The thrill of making music is for everyone!

The camp culminates with a required student performance in Bates Recital Hall.

STAFF

Assembled for their talent, teaching ability, dedication, and enthusiasm for music, over 150 distinguished music professionals participate in Longhorn Music Camp each summer. They include UT professors, middle and high school teachers, master class, elective and lesson teachers, administrators, and University students who serve as counselors. Together, their knowledge and experience support an extraordinary educational opportunity where campers build confidence and develop good habits and attitudes that shape their future. Dr. Scott Hanna is the Camp Director.

Registration Information

ENROLLMENT AND FEE PAYMENT

Register online at www.LonghornMusicCamp.org. Full payment of camp fee is due at the time of registration. Download and submit the release forms to the Camp Office. Please also download the respective camp handbook and read it thoroughly.

If the camper is a recipient of any type of scholarship, please email the camp office at LMC@www.utexas.edu with the scholarship amount and information on how and when the scholarship will be remitted to Longhorn Music Camp. **You will pay the full camp cost at the time of registration, and once the scholarship is received by the Camp Office, the amount of the scholarship will be refunded back to you. All scholarship payments must be received by May 26.** Due to instrumentation limits, enrollment is granted on a first-come, first-served basis. The awarding of a scholarship does not guarantee a position in camp. All scholarship recipients must register. We advise early registration to assure participation in the camp.

Required health status and medical release forms must be submitted to the camp office no later than May 31. Participants should retain copies of all submitted forms. Incomplete forms will be rejected. Failure to submit the required health status and medical release forms by the May 31 deadline *could* result in a discharge from camp. No refund will be issued.

WAITING LIST

If the requested section is full, a notice will appear at the very end of the online registration process. You will be placed on the waiting list, and your credit card will not be charged. If a position becomes available you will be contacted with instructions for payment.

REFUND POLICY

If fees are paid by credit card, any refunds are issued as a credit on the original credit card statement. All other refunds are by a University check. It is the policy of The University of Texas that all payments received by UT must be deposited on the day of receipt. Refunds take 3-4 weeks for processing. Prior to May 26, 2010, there is a \$75 fee for refunds issued as a result of cancellation for any reason. No refunds will be issued for cancellations after May 26. No refunds of \$5 or less will be issued.

OPTIONAL PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons provide personal attention to help improve individual performance. Participants are encouraged to choose one hour of private lessons (broken into two 30-minute lessons during the week) at an additional cost of \$30. Lessons should be elected at the time of registration. Requests for lessons after May 26 will not be accepted. Teachers providing lessons are specialists from the Austin area and include local music educators and advanced University of Texas music students. Campers taking private lessons should bring a piece of music they have been working on.

PURCHASE OF BBQ LUNCHES

A barbecue buffet luncheon will be held Saturday (the final day of camp) from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the San Jacinto Parking Garage (on Trinity across from MBE). The camper's BBQ lunch is included in the price of camp. Parents may purchase additional lunches with the camper's registration for \$7. If you need to purchase additional lunches after you have registered, you may do so for \$10/lunch by calling the Longhorn Music Camp Office at 512-232-2080.

General Information

TYPICAL DAY

Residential campers are awoken by counselors. Campers and counselors eat breakfast as a group and then walk to the School of Music together. All campers spend mornings in rehearsals and/or sectionals (by band). All campers are escorted by counselors back to the dorm for lunch. Lunch breaks are organized by band. The afternoon is spent in rehearsals and daily master classes. Master classes expose students to important repertoire and instrumental techniques unique to their instrument. Students work on basics of tone production, breath support, articulation, and ensemble performance. Next, all campers have afternoon recreation time. Students are allowed to choose from a list of supervised activities (such as TX Union Underground arcade and bowling; campers interested in the TX Union Underground should bring cash--admission is approximately \$8 for bowling and billiards; the arcade is coin-operated). Day-Campers depart after recreation time, and residential campers eat dinner in the dorm as a group. Evening recreation is always a camp-wide activity. Past activities have included movie night, game night, attending a UT Longhorn Summer Band concert, Camp Olympics, and a talent show. Friday night is

the banquet and dance at the Texas Union Ballroom. After evening recreation, campers go back to the dorm for a floor meeting and time to shower, call home, and go to sleep. For a detailed day-camper schedule, please see page 6.

AUDITION INFORMATION

Campers will audition at the School of Music on Sunday afternoon. In order to eliminate crowds, audition times will be assigned. We cannot accept audition time requests.

Campers will be informed of their audition time by e-mail 2-3 days prior to the start of the respective camp and must audition at their assigned time. The audition process will begin at 1:00 p.m. and should end by 4:30 p.m.

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to assigned audition time to allow time for parking, warming up, and finding the audition room. Audition rooms are posted outside the camp office in the MBE building. Counselors will be on hand to assist. The Orchestra Room will serve as the warm-up room. Please note that there is not a warm-up room (or warm-up instruments) for percussionists.

Specialists on each instrument will hear each camper's individual audition. Based on this audition, each camper will be placed in the ensemble best suited for his/her playing ability. Please remember that all of our campers are outstanding musicians and are often the top players from their schools. As a result, camp is often a "little fish-big pond" experience. Audition results are carefully tabulated and checked by humans *and* computers. Band assignments will not be altered. Results will be announced at the conclusion of the 6:00 p.m. camp meeting and parents will be notified via e-mail soon thereafter. Campers are encouraged to contact their parents with their band placement results. Audition music has been selected to make a critical judgment of the camper's current ability. The camper should be adequately prepared to play his/her best. It is not necessary to memorize any of the audition music. Audition music will be available for download at www.LonghornMusicCamp.org in April.

WHAT TO DO THE FIRST DAY OF CAMP

The camper's individual audition time will be emailed 2-3 days prior to camp. The dorm will open for check-in at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. If your child has an early audition time, please report to the School of Music first to audition; then proceed to the dorm. If your child has a late audition time, you may check-in at the dorm (starting at 1:00 p.m.) prior to coming to the School of Music. The Dobie Center Dormitory is located at 2021 Guadalupe. You may park at any unrestricted space or in the Dobie Parking Garage (a fee applies). The School of Music is located at the corner of Robert Dedman and Dean Keeton. You may park in any unrestricted space along Trinity Street, Robert Dedman Drive, or 23rd Street or in the San Jacinto Parking Garage (a fee applies). To see a map, visit www.utexas.edu/maps/main/parking/law.html. **Please follow all posted parking regulations.**

While students audition, parents should wait in the hospitality room MBE 2.114 (Longhorn Band Hall), where you may visit with camp staff, pick up camper information (locker combination, maps, lesson status, etc.), purchase additional BBQ lunches, and enjoy refreshments. After auditioning, campers should put their instruments in their lockers.

If you have checked in at the dorm prior to auditioning, please take your child back to his/her room at the dorm to meet up with counselor. Once camper is settled in his/her room, you may depart from campus.

Day-Campers will gather in the Music Building to watch movies and meet with their counselor immediately following their audition (or by 4:20 at the latest).

DAY-CAMPER SCHEDULE

On Sunday, Day-Campers will report to the School of Music at their designated audition time. Following auditions on Sunday, Day-Campers will gather in the Music Building, where they will watch videos until the 4:30 p.m. meeting with their counselor. Sunday evening pickup time is 8:45 p.m. Day-Campers must attend the rehearsal on Sunday night.

Monday–Friday, Day-Campers should arrive at the School of Music at 8:15 a.m. (drop-off point is along Trinity Street at the brown sculpture outside the Music Building, across the street from the Texas Memorial Museum). In case of rain, enter and remain near the west doors of the MBE building. Campers must check in with their counselor upon arrival and departure. Parents will be called if camper is absent at drop-off or pick-up time. Parents are asked to remain with camper until counselor is present at 8:15 a.m. Monday through Thursday. Day-Campers will depart campus from Dobie Center Dormitory at 5:30 p.m. The Friday evening pickup time is 10:15 P.M. at Dobie Center Dormitory. Day-Campers electing not to attend the Friday banquet may be picked up at the Dobie Center Dormitory at 5:30 p.m.

On Saturday, Day-Campers should check in at the School of Music 20 minutes prior to warm up and rehearsal of their ensemble.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

- Neat, casual, modest, hot-weather attire (clothing should reflect modesty and good taste)
- Clothes/shoes in which to get wet (for water games)
- Comfortable shoes
- Dressier clothing (non-formal) with suitable shoes for banquet and concert. Shorts are not acceptable for the concerts
- Twin extra-long sheet set, pillow, blanket**
- Day-Campers attending the Friday banquet should bring a suitable change of clothing and a small bag for their belongings
- ID wallet for locker combination
- Towels
- Washcloths
- shower supplies

- shower shoes
- toiletries
- sunscreen
- cell phone** (Dorm rooms do not have phones. A lobby phone will be available for calling card use)
- hangers
- drinking glasses
- umbrella
- healthy snacks
- alarm clock
- Your musical instrument
- folding music stand**
- reeds, valve oil, and mutes
- pencil
- Campers taking private lessons should bring a piece of music they are currently working on.
- Optional recreational items such as cameras, playing cards, board games
- Percussionists must bring their own sticks, mallets, and brushes (and a practice pad, if possible); all percussion instruments will be provided.
- extra cash for incidental expenses such as vending machines, supplemental snacks, recreational activities not included in the basic camp fee (bowling, billiards, arcade games at the TX Union Underground-- approximately \$8 each time the camper elects this option for recreational time). The parent or guardian should decide the appropriate amount to send with the camper.

STUDENT PERFORMANCES

All camps culminate with a student performance in Bates Recital Hall. Performance time is determined by ensemble placement. All performances are free and open to the public and are Web cast through www.music.utexas.edu/calendar (click on June 13 listing) **All campers must participate in the final performance.**

Tentative Concert Schedule for Saturday, June 13

Middle School Band 4	10:30 a.m.
Middle School Band 3	11:00 a.m.
Middle School Band 2	11:45 a.m.
Middle School Band 1	12:30 p.m.

DORM CHECKOUT SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 13

Middle School Band 4	8:00 a.m.
Middle School Band 3	8:30 a.m.
Middle School Band 2	9:30 a.m.
Middle School Band 1	10:00 a.m.

All campers must check out of their rooms Saturday morning (with counselor inspection) prior to the final concerts. Parents may pick up their camper at check out (and collect their belonging at that time) and drive the camper to the School of Music in time for their warm-up. Parents may also elect to meet their camper after his/her concert and return to

Dobie to pick up the camper's luggage. Campers may store their luggage, if necessary, in a secured area at Dobie until the end of the concert. Luggage must be removed from the storage area within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the final concert of the day.

BUS OR PLANE ARRIVALS/DEPARTURES

Download the Camper Traveler Information Form at www.LonghornMusicCamp.org to submit bus or plane travel information by May 26. If the form is received by May 26 in the camp office, arrangements will be made to meet the camper at the airport/bus station. Campers are to meet the LMC driver at the luggage pick up area. The driver will carry a cell phone.

If possible, plan the camper's bus or plane arrival time between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on the first day of camp. On Saturday, the last day of camp, please schedule departure time between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Campers may wish to pack a lunch or snack on Sunday.

LOCKERS

Lockers will be pre-assigned with notice of assignment provided on the first day of camp. Due to limited locker space, some students will share lockers. Combination locks will be provided. Any problem with lockers should be reported to LMC staff immediately on the first day of camp. Day-Campers do receive lockers.

SUPERVISION, HOUSING, AND MEALS

Our experienced counselors are UT undergraduate and graduate students. We maintain approximately a 1:15 counselor-to-camper ratio (or smaller) and endeavor to match instrumentation areas between counselors and campers. Campers are supervised at all times by counselors, coordinators, or faculty. Campers check in with counselors every time they move from point A to point B, at breakfast, before dinner, and evening meetings with counselors. During the day, attendance is taken at the beginning of each class.

Residential campers are housed in Dobie Center Halls located adjacent to the UT campus. They live with a roommate and share bathrooms. Counselors stay on the same floor with their assigned campers. Other dorm facilities may be used in the event of high registration numbers.

Although requests cannot be guaranteed, residential campers may indicate a preferred roommate on the registration form. Roommate election or changes will not be permitted after May 26, 2010. If no roommate preference is indicated, an effort will be made to match students of the same age and instrumental. **Campers may not switch roommates upon arrival at or during camp.** Visitation between campers of the same gender housed on different floors is allowed at the discretion of the campers' assigned counselors.

Three meals are served daily in the Dobie Dining Center. All Day-Campers eat lunch in the dining room Monday–Friday. The dining room offers a main entrée line and other choices. Service is cafeteria style, and food must be eaten in the dining room. Campers and counselors eat together and are asked to properly bus tables and trays and exit the dining room once everyone in their group has eaten.

It is common for residential campers to pool their resources and order pizza following evening activities **as long as it does not interfere with their nightly head-check and floor meeting/lights out.** Vending machines for soft drinks, candy and other snacks are available in the dorm. As it is impossible to meet everyone's food tastes, dorm rooms are equipped with a mini-fridge and campers may bring snacks with them to camp. Please note that campers may not access their rooms during the lunch break except for an emergency, and then only with a counselor.

Campers are advised to keep their rooms locked and to never leave items of value unattended. Longhorn Music Camp cannot be responsible for campers' personal money or other assets. Items left behind at the end of camp will be held for two weeks.

Campers should contact the Dobie Desk with Dobie Center maintenance problems.

At the dorm check-in each camper will be given a room key, floor code (if applicable) and meal wrist-band. It is important that campers keep track of these items. Key and meal wrist-band replacement is at the expense of the camper. At the time of loss, replacement fees will be collected from the camper or the camper's parent by a camp coordinator and processed through camp accounting.

It is suggested that luggage remain in the car until after the completion of dorm registration. The parent or guardian is asked to walk through dorm registration with the camper, retrieve luggage, and then see his/her room. Expect to carry luggage some distance. Once camper is settled in his/her room, parents are encouraged to depart campus (no later than 4:30 p.m.). Residential campers have a meeting with their counselors at 4:30 p.m.

Camp administrative staff and/or counselors will be on hand at Dobie to answer any questions and provide directions.

CONDUCT POLICY

Campers are expected to acquaint themselves with the rules and standards of conduct established by LMC. A camper who does not fulfill the responsibilities set out by such rules and standards of conduct may be subject to disciplinary action, including dismissal from LMC.

- All campers are required to be in attendance for all instructional times and to participate in their final concert. If the dates of LMC conflict with another activity or event, the camper and parent must choose between the two events prior to registering for camp. LMC will not make scheduling exceptions.

Doctor/dentist/orthodontist (etc.) appointments should not be scheduled during the week of camp.

- Campers should immediately report any accident or illness to their counselor.
- Medical or family emergencies are the only acceptable reasons a camper may depart early from camp. If a camper must leave camp early due to an emergency, the parent or legal guardian must contact the camp administrator or coordinator to sign the camper out. Residential campers should turn in their room key upon departure.
- Campers are required to wear their nametag and a wristband in a clearly visible place at all times.
- Campers must eat all contracted meals at the dorm and be escorted by a counselor at all times when walking between the dorm and School of Music.
- Campers should carefully read the “Hook’em Daily” (daily camp newsletter) for up-to-the minute information on rehearsals, classes, and special activities.
- Locked doors should never be propped open or held open for an unknown person.
- Keep all dorm areas neat and clean. Do not move furniture or equipment. Prior to check out, camper rooms should be cleared of trash and debris, and the MicroFridge should be empty. Avoid excessive noise in and around the residence hall. **Practicing musical instruments is not allowed in the dorm.** Any type of rowdy, loud, or disruptive behavior is NOT permitted in the residence hall. Appropriate behavior and consideration of the rights of others is expected.
- Campers may not be in possession of merchandise with intent of resale at camp. Any such items will be confiscated and not returned.

Examples of unacceptable conduct by campers which is subject to disciplinary penalty, including fines, dismissal, and possible legal action encompass but are not limited to:

- possession or use of illegal drugs, drug paraphernalia, alcohol, tobacco, fireworks, chemicals, gasoline, other explosives, firearms, illegal knives, clubs, or other prohibited weapons
- theft
- visitation to rooms of campers of the opposite sex
- fraternization with persons not associated with LMC
- unexcused tardiness or absences from attendance checks, classes, rehearsals, performances, or evening activities
- destroying, defacing, or tampering with institutional property, including fire and life safety equipment
- creating a condition hazardous to another person on the premises
- disorderly conduct, horseplay, and pranks
- harassment, violence, threats, or other acts intended to intimidate, or harass
- fighting, encouraging a fight, attempting to causing injury to another person
- elevator misuse or damage
- violations of safety rules and practices or of any local, state, or federal law

Any camper dismissed under these conditions will not be allowed to return to camp in subsequent summers. It is the responsibility of the Administrative Staff to make decisions in this area. Campers will be sent home at the expense of the parent or legal guardian. Parents are financially responsible for any and all damages caused by the camper to University of Texas property, including, but not limited to School of Music facilities and dormitory rooms.

CONTACTING YOUR CHILD DURING CAMP

For the safety of all of our campers, parents are not allowed on the dorm floors during camp (apart from check-in, -out). If parents need to visit with their child in person, they need to make written arrangements with the Camp Office (*permission to leave campus form*) in advance.

There are no telephones in the dorm rooms, but campers are encouraged to bring a cell phone with them. Long distance calls may be made collect or billed to a long distance calling card or credit card. The suggested time to call campers is between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. Parents should set up a time/date for their camper to call home. Campers should not be on the telephone after lights-out. Cell phones may be used only during free time (not while in any instructional periods or while walking with the camp). Parents may contact the Camp Office during business hours at 512-232-2080 to speak with a member of the camp staff who can relay a message to the camper. After 5:00 p.m., parents should contact the Dobie Desk in the event of an emergency.

The Dobie Desk is staffed 24 hours a day and serves as headquarters for housing and meal information. The Dobie Desk should be contacted for any room maintenance issues. If a parent needs to drop off an essential item to the camper, items may be brought to the camp office (MBE 2.112) during business hours, or to the Dobie Desk after hours. **The phone number for the Dobie Desk is (512) 505-1000.**

PARKING AND TRAFFIC

All visitors to The University of Texas campus must observe parking and traffic regulations. The posted speed limit is 15 MPH. Parking is restricted by permit Monday–Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. Posted signs, whether permanent or temporary, must be obeyed at all times. Posted signs take precedence over painted curbs, pavement markings, and designations shown on any University map. Never park in a space denoted as reserved “At All Times.” **Any parking fees or citations will be the responsibility of the visitor.** For more information, visit www.utexas.edu/parking.

PERMISSION TO LEAVE CAMPUS AND EMERGENCY DEPARTURES

Campers will not be permitted to leave camp for any reason (including visiting the home of an Austin relative or friend), unless we receive **detailed written notification one week prior to the first day of camp.** Campers may not leave camp with anyone under the age of 21. Only requests that do not interfere with sectionals or ensemble rehearsals will be considered. Requests are submitted through a downloadable form available at www.longhornmusiccamp.org.

If a camper must leave camp early due to medical or family emergency, the parent or legal guardian must contact the camp administrator or coordinator to sign the camper out.

INSURANCE AND HEALTH CARE

Parents should provide health insurance for campers. Campers who require medical attention will be accompanied to the Student Health Center by a camp coordinator or counselor. Medical costs incurred for treatment at the Student Health Center will be the responsibility of the parents or guardian of the individual treated. The initial charge for a Health Center visit is \$60. There are additional charges for many of the procedures clinicians may need to perform in order to diagnose and treat illnesses or injuries. Billing is through the Student Health Center.

If any camper is seriously ill or injured, it is the policy of the Health Center that the doctor on the case will contact the parents. Individuals with potentially serious or life-threatening conditions will be taken directly to a hospital emergency room. Parental notification of minor injuries and illnesses is left to the discretion of the camper. Please discuss with your child your expectations regarding communication of such information.

LMC cannot be responsible for or held liable for the administration of medication to campers. The camper must be able to self-administer his/her own medication.

Required submission of health status and medical release forms are addressed in the enrollment process. *Consent for Treatment of a Minor* is required by Student Health Services to render medical treatment except in life-threatening situations.

ACCESSIBILITY

If a camper requires special accommodations, please contact the camp office before registering and we will work to verify that we will be able to adequately meet your expectations. Note that housing arrangements are assigned to LMC by Dobie Center Dormitory.

DIRECTORY

The directory will include names and physical and e-mail addresses of campers who elected to be listed. No telephone numbers will be listed. If you do not wish to disclose one or more of these components, please decline inclusion in the directory. Directories will be e-mailed to those campers who have elected inclusion. If a camper has not elected to include their information in the directory, the Camp staff cannot release this information to any other campers.

RECORDING

Due to the high costs required in complying with copyright laws we cannot provide recordings of final performances.

FINANCIAL AID/SPONSORSHIP

Unfortunately, Longhorn Music Camp is unable to provide financial aid for camp. Students often receive scholarships from local music or civic organizations, such as band booster organizations, youth symphonies, etc. Ask your director/teacher about scholarship opportunities in your area. Longhorn Music Camp needs the support of both businesses and individuals who desire to enrich the lives of deserving young musicians who might not otherwise be able to attend our program. Every year we hear from potential campers who would love to attend and would benefit immensely from our program, but do not have the financial means to do so. Become an individual or corporate sponsor of Longhorn Music Camp and help us further our mission to nurture musicianship and spur artistic growth, increase the love of the musical arts, and encourage continuing education by providing an exciting and rewarding camp experience. For a gift of as little as \$350, you can sponsor a student in need. Contact the camp office at 512-232-2080 for additional information. In recognition of your generosity, Longhorn Music Camp will include you in our web site listing of individual and corporate sponsors.

Directions to The University of Texas at Austin School of Music

From IH 35, exit west on Dean Keeton Street. Turn left on Robert Dedman Dr. (2nd light west of the underpass); turn right on 23rd, turn right on Trinity. You may park in any unrestricted space along Robert Dedman Drive or Trinity Street. You may also park in the San Jacinto Parking Garage (a fee applies, entrance on Trinity Street).