

Commuter Camper Handbook

Penn Band Camp 2018

Contact Information

Before Camp:

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During Camp:

Kushol Gupta Cell Phone Number:	267-259-0082 (call at any time)
Band Office Phone Number:	215-898-8719
Harnwell College House Front Desk:	215-573-3479



Registration

Orientation, Dinner, and Evening Activities will begin promptly at 4PM at the Platt Student Performing Arts House Band Room (3702 Spruce Street).

At this time, all Camp Forms (required for participation) will be due.

Drop-off and Pick-up each day will be street-side at 3702 Spruce Street, at the Platt Student Performing Arts House. The Platt House opens at 8:30AM each morning.

- [Map of the Platt Student Performing Arts House](#)
- [Map of the Penn Campus](#)

Programming

Commuters are required to attend the 9AM-5PM programming each day; evening programming is optional but strongly encouraged. Dr. Gupta will communicate with each parent to understand which days the commuting student will and will not stay after for the evening programming.

Dining

- All institutional meals will be provided at [1920 Commons \(cafeteria-style dining options –Lunch, and Dinner\)](#). Students will be informed in detail on the location and swipe-in process at the Dining Hall at camp orientation. All Lunches and Dinners are included with the Commuter Track.
- Also, important to note is that Penn Dining does strive to accommodate people of all dietary restrictions and needs – *all you simply need to do is ask!*
- In addition, there are several restaurants, grocery stores, and convenience stores conveniently located within a few blocks of the dormitory, in case other provisions are needed.
- Institutional dining options are supplemented with meals provided by the camp (ie: pizza, subs, continental breakfast, etc.). If you have ANY dietary restrictions, please inform Dr. Gupta (kgupta@upenn.edu) as soon as possible.

Driving Directions and Parking

- [Click Here Driving Directions and Parking Information for the University of Pennsylvania Campus](#)
- [Directions to the Iron Gate Theater at 37th and Chestnut Street \(Google Maps\) \(Camp-end concert\)](#)



Things to Bring to Camp

- Cell phones are permitted, *with the stipulation that they are turned off and not used during rehearsals and other camp activities.*
- Shorts/T-shirt/sneakers for the walking tour and the Franklin Institute, Franklin Field Night, as well as mosquito repellent!
- Sunblock and comfortable walking shoes for tour of Philadelphia.
- Spending money for incidental expenses (snacks, soda machine, etc.).
- Concert Attire for the Saturday Performance:
 - "Sunday Best" - No Jeans, No Sneakers.
 - Men: Slacks, dress shoes, collared shirt. tie and jacket are optional.
 - Women: Black pants, dress shoes, and white blouse, or dark dress.
- The camp t-shirt distributed to campers will be the 'uniform' for the Franklin Institute performance (jeans or shorts are alright for this performance).
- The attire for the Friday Children's concert will be camp casual.
- Your Instrument, including valve oil/slide cream, reeds, and other accessories. If possible, brass players should bring mutes (not required, but preferred). Percussion and Tubas will be available for use.
- A collapsible music stand for the Franklin Institute and Museum performances is strongly encouraged.
- *A limited number of instruments are available to loan to participants during the week of the camp.* If you need to borrow an instrument for the program, contact the Camp Director (Kushol Gupta) at kgupta@upenn.edu at least two weeks before the start of the program.



Rules of Conduct

These rules have been drawn up to ensure the comfort and safety of all students and to provide a secure, stable environment for the program.

PLEASE NOTE: These rules will be strictly enforced during the program. Disciplinary action, which may result in immediate dismissal from the camp, may be taken by the Program Director against any student found guilty of committing, attempting to commit, or intentionally assisting in the commission of any of the following prohibited forms of conduct:

1. Failure to observe curfew and lights out by being outside of the room or building past designated times without specific permission from counselors.

Curfew: 10PM; Lights Out: 11:30PM

2. Unauthorized entry into University-related living units that disrupts sleep or study, that damages the physical facility or that invades the privacy of others.
3. No boys in girls' rooms or girls in boys' rooms under any circumstance
4. Failure to attend camp activities.
5. Failure to attend scheduled performances in which the individual is a participant or other scheduled performance that are designed for the Camp participants.
6. Failure to demonstrate a cooperative, positive attitude.
7. Tampering with fire-fighting equipment, turning in a false alarm or engaging in behavior that constitutes a significant fire hazard.
8. Use of unreasonably loud stereo equipment in the housing units during the program.
9. Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages, or the furnishing of alcoholic beverages, on University-owned or controlled property or at University-sponsored or supervised activities.
10. Intentional disruption or interference with the process of instruction.
11. Damage, destruction, theft, or unauthorized use of personal property located on or off the Penn Campus.
12. Unauthorized entry into or use of University property, including facilities, residence halls, equipment, or resources.
13. Possession, use, or threatened use of firearms, knives, explosives, or dangerous chemicals.
14. Illegal use, possession, or furnishing of dangerous or narcotic drugs on University-owned or controlled property or at University sponsored or supervised activities.



15. Indecent or unacceptable conduct on University property or at University sponsored or supervised activities.
16. Physical abuse or conduct that threatens imminent physical harm or endangers the health or safety of any person on University property or at University sponsored or supervised activities.
17. Smoking is prohibited for campers under the age of 18.

*We have zero tolerance for drugs, alcohol and weapons. Offending students will be sent home immediately.

Other Important Information

Information Handling Policy

All personal information supplied by students and parents will be used only by the University of Pennsylvania for the purposes of mailing Summer Music Camp literature and application forms to those interested in our summer music programs and will not be sold, given, or lent to any other parties outside of the Penn Band.

Insurance and Health Care

The Student Health Services and numerous other local hospitals are available for any camper who may experience health problems. Health forms will be sent to you along with your handbook. These forms must be completed and returned on or before the first day of camp. Parents/Guardians should provide health insurance for campers. For more questions on insurance coverage, please contact us at 215-898-8719.

Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities

If you have a disability requiring accommodations, please call (215) 898-8719 at least ten days prior to the start of the program. The University of Pennsylvania is accessible to persons with disabilities, and accessible parking is available at all sites.



The Staff

2018 COUNSELORS



Wavy Chen (Percussion) is currently a sophomore Chemical Engineering student at the University of Pittsburgh. She has been playing the piano for 8 years and the drums for 6 years. This year will be her 6th summer attending the University of Pennsylvania band camp. She is super excited to be able to spend another summer at band camp but is also excited because this is her first year as a counselor. She is hoping that she can help make this year campers fall in love with the program like she did 6 years ago.



Natalia Grosso (Trumpet) is a returning camp counselor of two solid years at Penn Band Camp! She is 20 years old, attending Thomas Jefferson University to secure a BSN in Nursing. She is an avid trumpet player (12 years, and counting!), and loves to entertain people with her musical talent! Aside from that, she enjoys traveling, hiking, exploring new places, and finding different ways to make people laugh! She has loved coming back to camp for 4 years now and cannot wait to see the musical diversity this year's campers have to offer!



Erica Winston (Flute/Piccolo) Erica (flute/piccolo) is a rising sophomore at Penn and a member of the Penn Band and is currently serving as their flute section leader. She has played the flute for nine years and the piccolo for eight years. This is her second summer working as a counselor and she hopes her experience as a counselor, as well as her time in the Penn Band, helps her to give her campers a great summer.



Caitlin Frazee (Flute/Piccolo, Counselor-In-Training) is a recent high school graduate from Jenkintown High School in Jenkintown, PA. In the fall, Caitlin will be studying at the University of Pennsylvania where she will major in bioengineering, and where she will be a member of the Penn Band. She loves theater, choir, and band, and has played flute for nine years and piccolo for six years. She has participated in the Penn Honor Band each year, but last summer was her first time as a Penn Band camper. Caitlin absolutely loved the experience and can't wait to try it from a new perspective as a CIT.



Avery Greenberg (Trumpet, Counselor-In-Training) is a recent graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in New Jersey and will be studying Economics and Data Science at the University of Michigan this coming fall. While not in school, Avery can be found spending time with various clubs and organizations such as Marching Band, Jazz Band, Repertory Theatre Crew, DECA, Model United Nations, National Honor Society, and more. Over the summer, Avery also works as a special needs counselor at the local day camp. After being a camper for four summers, Avery cannot wait to make the band camp experience just as amazing for others as it was for him.



STAFF



Steven Birmingham (Trumpet) has a BA in Economics and an MSE in the Management of Technology from UPenn. He has lived in Switzerland and France, and currently resides in Yonkers, NY where he serves as Chief Information Officer for Mercy College. Steven is a former Vice-president of the Penn Band and a member of the Band's honor society, Fanfare. He often teaches college courses and gives seminars on communications, leadership, negotiations, and project management. When not traveling, speaking, or working, Steven can be found in the kitchen, in an online game, or hanging out with friends.



Brian Greenberg (Trumpet) earned his BS in Economics from Penn's Wharton School of Business in 1991, three years before the first publicly available web browser was released. Over the last ~30 years, Brian has served as an active member and alumnus of the Penn Band, a co-chair of its Alumni Board, and a resident clinician for its Summer Music Camp. When he's not finding excuses to break out his trumpet in Philadelphia, he can be found on Wall Street, serving as a Director in Deutsche Bank's Operations Technology organization. At this year's camp, Brian looks forward to combining his technical know-how with his love of the Penn Band to lead the campers, including his two sons - Avery (18) and Brandon (15), through a simulation of a Penn Band halftime show on historic Franklin Field.

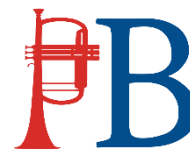


Samantha Rehrig (Flute) is a former Penn Band Camp camper, counselor and now clinician. While at Band Camp, Sam can be found running ice breakers, playing the flute, and talking about how music can impact our lives outside the band room. While not at Band Camp, Sam can be found living in Somerdale, NJ, working as an Occupational Therapist, obsessing about Disney and Harry Potter, and trying unsuccessfully to convince her trumpet playing friends that flutes are meant to be audible while the trumpets are playing. She is looking forward to all the free time she will have at Band Camp this year, now that she's no longer determined to make the color of her hair match the color of her car.



Schedule

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Sunday, July 8th, 2018

Time	Activity	Location
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Open House – All Tracks – Penn Band Room	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Programming Begins – Orientation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rehearsal • Welcome, Schedule, Rules 	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House & Penn Campus
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Pizza Dinner	Platt Student Performing Arts House
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Campus Tour	Campus of the University of Pennsylvania
8:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Group Activities	Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 PM	Commuter Pickup in Front of Platt Center; Resident Floor Meeting with Counselors	Residential Floor Lounge (TBA)

Monday, July 9th, 2018

Time	Activity	Location
8:30 AM	Doors open to Platt Center Warm-up	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Rehearsal and Clinics 10:00AM Safety Orientation, UPPD	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Lunch (“Meal Swipe”)	1920 Commons, Penn Campus
12:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:00 PM	1 st Commuter Pickup	Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Dinner and “Scramble Band 101”	Kozloff Room, Penn Athletics
7:30 PM – 9:30 PM	Franklin Field Night	Franklin Field
9:45 PM	2 nd Commuter Pickup	Platt Student Performing Arts House

Tuesday, July 11th, 2018

Time	Activity	Location
8:30 AM	Doors open to Platt Center Warm-up	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
11:30 AM – 12:30PM	Lunch ("Meal Swipe")	1920 Commons
12:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:00 PM	1 st Commuter Pickup	Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Dinner & Philadelphia Walking Tour	Philadelphia
9:00 PM	2 nd Commuter Pickup	Platt Student Performing Arts House

Wednesday, July 10th, 2018

Time	Activity	Location
8:30 AM	Doors open to Platt Center	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 AM – 11:00 PM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
11:15 AM	Load Buses	
11:45 AM – 4:45 PM	Lunch, Performance and Tour of Franklin Institute	Philadelphia, PA
5:00 PM	Return to Platt Center; 1 st Commuter Pickup, 5PM	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Dinner	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 PM	2 nd Commuter Pickup	Platt Student Performing Arts House

Thursday, July 12th, 2018

Time	Activity	Location
8:30 AM	Doors open to Platt Center Warm-up	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Mysteries of Sound	Deltkin Lab, Department of Electrical Engineering
11:30 AM – 12:30	Lunch ("Meal Swipe")	1920 Commons
12:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:00 PM	1 st Commuter Pickup	Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:00 PM – 10:00 PM	Dinner, Talent Night Cabaret & Game Night	Cabaret Stage, Platt Student Performing Arts House
10:00 PM	2 nd Commuter Pick-Up	Platt Student Performing Arts House
10:00 PM	Return to Dormitories	High Rise Dormitory (TBA)

Friday, July 13th, 2018

Time	Activity	Location
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Depart for University Museum, Set-up	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Children's Concert At the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Anthropology and Archaeology	3rd Floor Egypt Gallery The University of Pennsylvania Museum of Anthropology and Archaeology
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Tour University Museum	3rd Floor Egypt Gallery The University of Pennsylvania Museum of Anthropology and Archaeology
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Breakdown, return to Platt Center	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch ("Meal Swipe")	1920 Commons
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:00 PM	1 st Commuter Pickup	Platt Student Performing Arts House
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Dinner	1920 Commons ("Meal Swipe")
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Rehearsal and Activities	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 PM	2 nd Commuter Pick-Up	Platt Student Performing Arts House

Saturday, July 14th, 2018

Time	Activity	Location
8:30 AM	Doors open to Platt Center Warm-up Continental Breakfast Provided for All	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
9:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Rehearsal and Clinics	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Luncheon	Platt Student Performing Arts House
12:30 PM	Departure and Set-up at Iron Gate Theater	
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	Camp-End Concert	Iron Gate Theater, Campus of the University of Pennsylvania
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Return to Platt Center, break down and unload 15 th Anniversary Band Camp Reception	Band Room, Platt Student Performing Arts House

