

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Marching Chiefs

MAJORETTE AND FLAG AUDITIONS

AUDITION REGISTRATION FORM

Complete this application and mail BEFORE April 14, 2008. All candidates must register for the audition in advance by providing the information requested below.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: (____) _____ () FEMALE () MALE

HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE NOW ATTENDING: _____

AUDITIONING FOR: () Majorette () Flag

RETURN FORM TO: Florida State University Marching Chiefs
College of Music
Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL 32306-1180

**AFTER THE APRIL 14 DEADLINE, YOU MAY REGISTER BY:
PHONE: (850) 644-3507; or FAX: (850) 644-2928**

INTRODUCTION

The Florida State University College of Music invites interested candidates to audition for the Marching Chiefs Flag Corps and Majorette Squad. Participants in the auxiliary units perform with the Marching Chiefs at all home football games, selected away games, parades, and a post-season bowl game. We welcome your interest in becoming a member of one of the finest marching ensemble/classes in America.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- 1) Candidates must complete an audition at the designated times. This audition will determine *membership* in the ensemble. *Status* (regular performer or alternator) will be determined in August during Preseason Training.
- 2) Candidates must be above average in skills of marching and performing as determined by the auditions.
- 3) Candidates must present acceptable performance appearance, body coordination, and display physical stamina.
- 4) Candidates must be willing to work with people in a group situation.
- 5) Selected members must attend all rehearsals and performances of the FSU Marching Chiefs including post-season travel to a bowl game which will occur during the Winter vacation. No exceptions will be made to this requirement.
- 6) Candidates must be enrolled as a full- or part-time student at The Florida State University during Fall Semester 2008. Students from Tallahassee Community College may participate if they have achieved dual enrollment status. (Call the TCC Registrars Office for information.)
- 7) Those selected for participation must register for the Marching Chiefs class. The course may be repeated for a maximum number of five semesters of participation.

AUDITION DATE AND SITE

APRIL 19, 2008 on the campus of **Florida State University** (Tallahassee).

Majorette Audition: 8:00 a.m.; Flag Audition: 9:30 a.m.

Auditions held in Tully Gymnasium.

Video auditions will be accepted only in cases of extreme hardship. *Please call the band office for approval before sending a video.* Unauthorized videos will be discarded. Video is **not** a preferred method of audition. An audition by video should only be considered as a last resort.

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS FOR FSU MAJORETTE SQUAD

I. Prepare a SOLO ROUTINE of your own design to music of your choice. Please observe the time limit of between 2 minutes (minimum) and 3 minutes (maximum). Your routine style should be dance-twirl and include tricks that demonstrate your level of performing ability. Interpretation of music is an important factor. Recorded musical accompaniment is required; *please bring your own compact disk or cassette tape.*

II. You will be taught marching fundamentals, dance routines, and other twirling routines by a staff member on site. Candidates are judged on how quickly and accurately they learn this material. These routines will be evaluated at the conclusion of the day. Majorette candidates should not plan on finishing the audition until late morning or early afternoon. This allows ample time for practice.

III. Candidates are required to wear a majorette-style uniform; no skirted uniforms please. Wear tennis shoes; no boots. Please wear your hair down with appropriate performance makeup. All candidates will be measured for a uniform so that this information will be on hand immediately after auditions. (This will, of course, be private and held in confidence.)

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS FOR FSU FLAG CORPS

I. Prepare a SOLO ROUTINE of your own design to music of your choice. Please observe the time limit of between 2 minutes (minimum) and 3 minutes (maximum). You must demonstrate skill in basic handling of flag equipment as well as advanced maneuvers. At least 50% of the routine MUST be done while marching or doing dance steps. The routine must be performed to recorded music; *please bring your own compact disk or cassette tape.*

II. You will be taught a new routine, including marching fundamentals, flag and foot work by a staff member on site. Candidates are judged on how quickly and accurately they learn this material. These routines will be evaluated at the conclusion of the day. Flag candidates should not plan on finishing the audition until late morning or early afternoon. This allows ample time for practice.

III. Candidates must wear tennis or athletic shoes; uniforms are not required. All candidates will be measured for a uniform so that this information will be on hand immediately after auditions. (This will be private and held in confidence.)



ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN AUDITIONING FOR EITHER OF THE
AUXILIARY UNITS MUST COMPLETE AND RETURN THE AUDITION
REGISTRATION FORM WHICH ACCOMPANIES THIS NOTICE.

If you have any questions or need further information, please call (850) 644-3507.

*In keeping with the policies of the FSU College of Music, auditions are not open to spectators.
No one will be allowed into the audition areas except adjudicators, candidates,
and those designated by the College of Music as operational personnel.*

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.