



Student Packing List

Bands of America Honor Band

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BOA HONOR BAND IN THE 2017 ROSE PARADE®

Luggage

If you are flying into LAX or LGB Airport (only airports Music for All will offer shuttle service), you must check with your specific airline regarding the allotted number of checked bags as well as pricing for extra and/or overweight or over sized luggage. As a general guideline, airlines will allow one carry-on and one personal item in the airplane cabin. We strongly suggest that your instrument be packed accordingly, either as a carry on if small enough, or checked luggage. As stated previously, BOA will provide Baritone and Tenor Saxophones, Mellophones, Baritones, Sousaphones and Percussion. Be sure to mark your full name on the outside and inside of your luggage.

Uniform Items to Pack for Band Members

- Shoes will be provided for you
- Tall white socks (we should not be able to see your ankles)
- Your uniform pants are all white. Do not pack WHITE UNDERGARMENTS, they will show
- Undergarments should be in a solid light grey, light blue, or natural color (No White or Patterns)
- Under-Armor is fine, close fitting, boxer length shorts (No basketball shorts)

Uniform Items to Pack for Guard/Dance Members

- Nude body tight to wear under costumes. These can be purchased www.discountdance.com item #N236 or #1818.
- All-Black rehearsal outfits that include jazz pants and a dance top (this will help to clean body)
- Bobby Pins, hair scrunchy (that matches your hair color), hair gel (hair will be slicked back into a bun)
- Makeup: mascara, eyeliner, blush, eyeshadow in shades of brown (lipstick will be provided)
- Gloves will not be worn.
- Information about jewelry and accessories will be shared at a later date

Rehearsal Packing List

- White lightweight socks
- Tennis shoes with proper arch support for rehearsals – NO sandals or flip flops
- T-shirts/lightweight shirts for rehearsals (at least one white colored t-shirt)
- BOA will provide each student with a “member” shirt to wear under uniform
- Semi-formal attire for the Closing Celebration Dinner after the parade (this is a no jeans evening)
- Rain jacket or appropriate outerwear

Appropriate Clothing for Band Participants

Ladies

- Athletic shorts, t-shirts, tank tops, sports bras (Sports bras will be worn under shirts only)
- Prohibited: boxer shorts, spandex shorts (except when worn under uniform for winds and percussion), excessively short shorts, tops that are revealing, midriff baring tops, halter and tube tops

Men

- Athletic shorts, t-shirts (No cut off t-shirts)

Instrument Care Items and Accessories

- Neck strap (if needed)
- Tuner (if you have one)
- Woodwinds should have at least 4-6 good reeds, cork grease and screw driver.
- Brass players should have valve oil and/or slide grease (check airline regulations regarding liquids) and a soft cloth to polish your instrument before performances. Of course, BRING YOUR MOUTHPIECE, especially if you will be playing an instrument provided by Yamaha.
- Horn/Mellophone players: Although Yamaha will provide you with a mellophone, you are responsible for bringing either a mellophone mouthpiece or your horn mouthpiece with an adapter.
- Percussion students should bring white stick tape, a drum key, your Vic Firth sticks (provided to you at the Grand Nationals rehearsal) and Practice pad.
- Flag Members do NOT need to bring a flag-pole or practice silk. They are provided.

Music

- Bring ALL your music, music stand (marked with your name) and mechanical pencils

Personal Items

- Toiletries and necessities (toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant, feminine products, glasses/contact solution/contact case, orthodontic needs)
- Hair-care items (brush, comb, gel, spray, pins, elastic, etc.)
- Hat, sunglasses and sunscreen for rehearsal
- Water bottle
- Alarm clock
- Watch to keep you on time
- Prescriptions (if needed). Medicine must be in the original bottle with dosage amounts defined.
- Spending money for souvenirs/snacks (a suggested amount would be \$75-\$125)
- Travelers checks and/or debit card
- Cell phone to call home
- Electronics (iPod / MP3 player/earphones, cell phone and charger, camera, etc.) if desired
- Ladies should bring finger nail polish remover
- Schoolwork if something needs to be done over the holiday break!

Things to Remember

There will be 300+ Honor Band participants arriving at the Manhattan Beach Marriott Hotel with 3-4 personal items each, a total of more than 1,000 suitcases, backpacks and instruments. To ensure that you do not lose, misplace or swap items by accident, we highly encourage you to **mark your full name on your items**. Please leave anything at home that is not essential for the success of this trip. **DO NOT FORGET YOUR MUSIC!**

As a member of the 2017 Bands of America Honor Band, you will always be in the public eye, so dress appropriately. We suggest that you monitor the weather for our time in California by checking the Weather Channel or weather.com for updated information to assist with packing.