

Dear participants, directors, and guardians,

Welcome and thank you for being part of the inaugural class of the Maestro Drum Major Clinic! This clinic has been long in the making, and I am beyond excited to finally bring it to fruition. The work we do together will create a lasting legacy for years to come and establish a high standard of excellence for our drum majors.

My career as a drum major began back in 2014 when I attended my first drum major camp, which created the foundation for what would become a thriving career in conducting at college, in Drum Corps International, and beyond! I had awakened a true hunger to learn everything I could about being a drum major, and eventually, to share that with students of my own. I am thrilled to be able to offer a more comprehensive education with Maestro and allow students from different programs to work together to reach their highest potential!

Please take some time to review this detailed packet and ensure all forms and fees have been submitted prior to the beginning of the clinic. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out!

Musically yours,

Marisa Romano
Founder and Director



MISSION:

The Maestro Drum Major Clinic seeks to provide exemplary training to current and future marching band leaders to create well-rounded, knowledgeable, and confident drum majors. Students will receive instruction in conducting style, score preparation, marching technique, verbal and whistle commands, teamwork, and leadership skills. Students will receive personal feedback and training meant to bring out their natural strengths as leaders for an overall experience that is customized to each student. Master your art with the Maestro Drum Major Clinic!

LEARNING GOALS:

- ♪ Conducting fundamentals
- ♪ Conducting styles
- ♪ Common conducting mistakes and how to fix them
- ♪ Marching technique
- ♪ Common marching mistakes and how to fix them
- ♪ Verbal and whistle commands
- ♪ Leadership skills
- ♪ Electives, including:
 - Salute workshop, score study, leading effective warmups, basic music theory concepts and transposition, programming Dr. Beat, and masterclasses on each instrument group aimed at giving student leaders the knowledge and tools to assist with warmups and minor errors

The instruction throughout the week will culminate in a final showcase, after which they will be presented with their Certificate of Completion. Each drum major group will present their progress by conducting through their show music, calling commands, and performing their salute. This performance is for students and staff of the clinic only and students will be dismissed following the performance.

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
9:00-9:50	Welcome and introductions	Marching and Commands	Marching and Commands
10:00-10:50	Conducting	Conducting	Elective: marching percussion master class
11:00-11:50	Leadership	Leadership	Elective: front ensemble master class
12:00-1:00	Lunch and activity: lanyard making	Lunch and activity: salute workshop	Lunch and activity: salute workshop
1:00-1:50	Elective: score study 1	Elective: score study 2	Elective: mastering Dr. Beat
2:00-2:50	Elective: brass master class	Elective: woodwind master class	Conducting
3:00-3:50	Conducting	Conducting	Leadership
4:00-4:50	Leadership	Leadership	Final showcase and closing remarks

*This schedule is subject to change, but start and end times for each day will remain the same. Lunch is provided. Students are **not** permitted to leave school grounds for lunch. Students are expected to remain at the camp until dismissal for the day at 5:00pm.*

Student packing list:

- ♪ Copies of show music (if available)
- ♪ Whistle
- ♪ Pencil
- ♪ Highlighters and/or colored pencils
- ♪ Hat and sunglasses
- ♪ Water bottle
- ♪ Tennis shoes



REGISTRATION FORM

The Maestro Drum Major Clinic will take place at Brandon High School from Monday, 7/6/26 to Wednesday, 7/8/26. This clinic is for current, future, and aspiring drum majors. Please fill out and send to Clinic Director Marisa Romano at director@maestrodrummajor.com by 7/1/26 **WITH PAYMENT** to register for the clinic. Payments must be made online. Visit the Maestro website to pay or register online. If registering online, you do not need to fill out this physical form. After submitting the registration form and payment, a receipt will be emailed to the address provided. Fee must be paid in full prior to the start of the clinic. The fee for the 2026 clinic is \$300 per student.

Included in fee:

Student Workbook

T-shirt - indicate size: XS S M L XL XXL

Lunch every day

Student's Name: _____ Age: _____

School District: _____

Legal guardian (if student is a minor): _____

Email address: _____

Please list any dietary restrictions (dairy free, gluten free, vegetarian, etc.):

By signing, you agree to adhere to all fees and policies of the Maestro Drum Major Clinic.

Legal guardian signature: _____ Date: _____



MAESTRO HEALTH/MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

Please fill out this form and bring it to the clinic at check-in.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student's name: _____ Age: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____

Address: _____ City and zip: _____

Student's cell phone number: (____) ____-_____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Parent/guardian name: _____ cell phone: (____) ____-_____

Additional contact in case of emergency: _____

Relationship to student: _____ cell phone: (____) ____-_____

MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION

Medical insurance co: _____ Policy number: _____

Policy owner: _____ Group number: _____

Doctor's name: _____

STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION

List any known physical concerns that staff should be aware of.

Allergen: _____ Reaction: _____

Need treatment? Y/N Type of treatment: _____

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Need treatment? Y/N Type of treatment: _____

Indicate any prescription medications that will need to be taken during camp hours.

Medication	Dosage	Time to be taken

I give my permission to any hospital, doctor, or EMT personnel to treat my child in case of illness or injury. I hereby release and agree to hold harmless the Maestro Drum Major Clinic, the hosting school, and all employees or volunteers of these entities from all claims, actions, damages, and liabilities for personal injury or damage incurred while at the camp.

Legal guardian name: _____ Date: _____

Legal guardian signature: _____



MAESTRO DRUM MAJOR CLINIC POLICIES

Health Forms and Medical Needs

Maestro Drum Major Clinic requires a health form to be submitted for each participant. This information is kept on file and is available for use by administrative staff if a health situation arises. It contains insurance information, emergency contacts, special health needs, and pertinent medical issues. The health form and release signed by the legal guardian and received at check-in gives Maestro the authority to seek emergency medical treatment and authorizes a qualified doctor to make emergency medical decisions. All medical costs are the responsibility of the insurance company or the related guardian, including ambulance costs. The health form should be filled out by the legal guardian or the attending student if the student is over the age of 18 and brought to camp check-in.

First Aid and Staff Training

All administrative employees of Maestro are required to maintain current American Red Cross Certification for First Aid, CPR, and AED training to handle minor first aid situations. A basic first aid kit will be kept on site for minor situations, such as bug bites, blisters, or scrapes. The first aid kit will contain over the counter oral medications, such as tylenol. Please indicate on the student's health form if they are not to receive over the counter medications.

Medication

Students taking prescription medication that must be taken during the hours of the clinic must bring the medication in the bottle or package with the prescription, prescribing doctor, and dosage listed. For students under the age of 18, the legal guardian may decide whether the student may keep the medication and self-medicate or the staff will keep the medication and distribute it to the student. If refrigeration is required, please let staff know before the clinic begins. Maestro staff will distribute but will not administer medications, including creams and injections, except by emergency necessity.

Sun and Heat Exposure

Students attending Maestro are highly encouraged to wear hats, sunglasses, light colored clothing, and sunscreen. Students are encouraged to move out of the sun and alert a staff member at early signs of sun burn or heat related illness. Students will be given ample water breaks and opportunities to reapply sunscreen. Staff will closely monitor the temperature and heat index and follow recommendations from the National Weather Service.

Inclement Weather

A portion of the clinic will occur outdoors. Students are encouraged to come prepared with a rain jacket in the event of light to moderate rain. In the case of inclement weather, rehearsals will move to designated indoor spaces. Weather will be monitored by Maestro staff with the safety of the students as the top priority. In the event of a lightning strike within a six mile radius, students will be moved indoors and may only return outdoors thirty minutes after the last strike.

Meals

Lunch will be provided every day that the clinic runs. Maestro may or may not be able to accommodate dietary restrictions but will make every effort to provide an adequate and nutritious meal for all students. If a student has specific dietary constraints, it is recommended that they bring a packed lunch with them. Students are responsible for breakfast and dinner while at the clinic.

Prohibited Items

The Maestro Drum Major Clinic takes place at Brandon High School and as such must adhere to school district policies. Students may not bring or possess items that are considered inappropriate or threatening to anyone's health or safety. This includes, but is not limited to, weapons, drugs, alcohol, and any imagery or text that alludes to or explicitly shows these items. It also includes any imagery or text that could be considered offensive or threatening. Offensive or threatening displays are not tolerated and will result in dismissal of the student from the camp with no opportunity for a refund. Offensive language, verbal or written, is not tolerated, especially when directed at a student or staff member of the clinic.

Housing

Maestro does not provide housing to students. Suggestions for local hotels will be provided. Staff may help facilitate home stays if available and appropriate, but the responsibility for securing safe housing falls on the student's legal guardian.

Meal Time and Breaks

During meal times, breaks, or any unstructured time between classes, students are to remain on school grounds. Maestro Drum Major Clinic and Brandon Public Schools are not responsible for the actions or safety of students off of school grounds..

Communication

Any communication between staff and students will take place using the Band App or email. No one-on-one communications will occur between a staff member and a student for any reason. Staff members will not be in an enclosed room alone with a student for any reason. Students are allowed to have their personal cell phones with them for use throughout the camp as the students or staff members see fit. All policies outlined under Prohibited Items apply to personal communication devices, including cell phones. Maestro is not responsible for cell phone safety, use, or charges.

Guests

Guests are not permitted at Maestro unless given prior approval by the Director. Only individuals registered for the clinic may be on the grounds except during times designated as open to the public, including check in, check out, and community performance.

Photography

Students of Maestro Drum Major Clinics may be photographed by members of the staff and used for educational purposes. Photos may also be used for promotional materials, such as on the Maestro website and social media.