



## 2023 BAND RETREAT OVERVIEW

Our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Band Retreat will take place on **September 22nd through 24th**. The retreat will be held at the Cazadero Performing Arts Camp located in a redwood grove near the Russian River. The retreat will include three days of full band rehearsals with guest conductors, sectionals, workshops, performances, and teambuilding that will help strengthen our program and give us a strong foundation in which to start the school year. This packet has information pertaining to this event and will answer many questions you may.

### COST

- Cost is \$280 per student (*based on 110 participants*)
- Payment includes lodging, transportation, all meals, and guest conductors/master classes
- Please make payable to El Cerrito Band Association (ECBA)
- **Commitment to attend:** Friday, August 18, 2023
- **Final payments due:** Friday, September 8, 2023

\* It is important that we have commitment from all participants by **August 18th** so accurate bus reservations, camp accommodations (including food), and final costs for families can be made.

**To register scan the QR code below**



### FORMS AND DOCUMENTS

The following signed documents are needed by **Monday, August 28, 2023**. Students that do not have forms submitted and payment submitted by the deadline will not be allowed to attend the trip.

- **Permission Slip**
- **Behavior Contract**
- **Emergency Contact Info**

### TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to and from camp will be provided for all students and chaperones via charter bus. Parents are required to pick up their students at El Cerrito High School upon arrival on Sunday afternoon.

## MEALS

All meals are provided while at camp EXCEPT for lunch on Friday. Students need to bring a lunch with them on Friday morning.

## CAMP ACCOMMODATIONS

Camp accommodations are rustic. Campers sleep on wooden tent platforms above the forest ground. Each camper has a camp bed with a mattress and sleeps outside under the stars. Tents are used for storage and for privacy. Bathrooms and showers are in buildings nearby.

## PACKING LIST

Students are responsible for bringing all items needed for the weekend retreat at Cazadero Music Camp. **Students should plan on bringing the following...**

- A lunch for Friday afternoon (lunch not provided by the camp on Friday - all other meals are)
- **Sleeping bag and pillow**
- Instrument(s) and Music
- A jacket or sweater for early morning and evening wear
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Casual clothes for everyday wear (enough for three days at camp)
- **A towel**
- Toiletries (toothpaste and toothbrush, soap, shampoo, **deodorant**)
- Rubber sandals or other non-skid shoes for the shower (don't shower barefoot!)
- Sturdy shoes for lots of walking around camp
- Personal sports equipment (frisbee, football, etc.) that is marked with your name on it
- Personal medication
- Insect repellent
- Snacks

### **Students should NOT bring the following...**

- Laptops, iPads, and/or electronic games
- Fireworks
- Matches or Lighters
- Water guns
- Pocket knives or other items that could be considered a weapon

## CAMP CONTACT INFORMATION

If you need to contact your child at camp in an emergency please call the camp office at (707) 632-5159. Messages will be checked at the camp office periodically after regular hours. The Berkeley office will be open during regular business hours at (510) 527-7500.