2022 Marching Pirates Information Session
New Student Orientation Breakout Session
4:00-4:30
Main Campus Student Center, Rm. 249
Welcome and Introductions

Tonight's Agenda:
- Who are the Marching Pirates, what do they do, and why you should you join
- The 2022 performance schedule
- How to become a member
- Student-member insights
- Ask questions!
Who Are the Marching Pirates?

• We are the marching band that represents East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina.

• The band is a diverse community of ECU and local community college undergraduate students from a multiplicity of disciplines.
  – There were 55/61 majors represented in the 2021 Marching Pirates
  – Average GPA: 3.34

• Over half of our students participate in extracurricular clubs, Greek organizations, and/or have part-time jobs.

• The band is typically comprised of 200-225 students

• We are “The Sound of Pirate Nation,” Loyal to the identity of ECU and the traditions that transcend generations of students and alumni, but Bold in responding to the ever-changing needs of our current students.
What Do the Marching Pirates Do?

What Everyone Sees/Hears

Performances at ECU home football games (a traditional pregame show and a contemporary halftime show).

Student entertainment for parades, tailgate parties, alumni/campus events, and in the stands during games.

Engage with communities on and off campus through performance and service.
Culture of the Marching Pirates

Diversity and Inclusivity
Connection to a diverse community of peers who share a passion for the unique environment a marching band provides.

Excellence, Growth, Leadership
An atmosphere of professionalism that stimulates personal growth and development and better allows for the exploration of multiple areas of performance art, learning, and creativity.

Pride, Relationships, Respect
The continued enjoyment of music making, performing, and socialization that marching band offers.
The 2022 Marching Pirates

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2022 MARCHING PIRATES™

HOW TO JOIN
Sign up for band camp at marchingpirates.org
Register for MUSIC 1765

2022 QUICK FACTS
- Band camp: August 13-17
- Practice Schedule: M/W/F, 4-5:50
- 7 home football games
- 1 competition exhibition
- No audition to join (except drumline)
- Experience 84 years of tradition, pride, and excellence
- Make friendships and memories that will last a lifetime

ECU vs. UCF
Saturday, Oct. 22
Kodak black & white film

ECU vs. N.C. St.
Saturday, Sept. 3

ECU vs. WKU
Saturday, Sept. 10
High School Band Day

ECU vs. Campbell
Saturday, Sept. 17
Paul Wise Fieldhouse Dedication

ECU vs. Rice
Saturday, Sept. 24
Moby Appreciation

ECU vs. Memphis
Saturday, Oct. 15
Heating up Memphis

ECU vs. Houston
Saturday, Nov. 18
Season Finale

American Football Championship
Saturday, Nov. 23

ECU vs. NC St.
Saturday, Sept. 10
ECU vs. UCF
Saturday, Oct. 22

Crystal Coast Bowl Classic
Saturday, Dec. 10
Ponies roll into Galveston

Memorial Day Parade
Saturday, May 31, 11 a.m.

For more information, visit marchingpirates.org

marchingpirates.org
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Season at a Glance

• Preseason Band Camp: Aug. 12-17
  – 3 rehearsals Aug. 18-20 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

• Rehearsals: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 4:00-5:50 p.m.

• Performances: seven home games, one high school competition exhibition performance, one parade
2022 Halftime Shows

Saturday, Sept. 3, 10, and 17

“Magic”


Saturday, Sept. 24 (Military Appreciation)

“For Those Who Serve”

Featuring the songs: *Battle Hymn of the Republic*, *Born in the USA* by Bruce Springsteen, *We’re Comin’ to America* by Neil Diamond, and *God Bless the USA* by Lee Greenwood
2022 Halftime Shows Cont’d

Saturday, October 15 (Alumni Band), 22, and 29 (Crystal Coast Classic Exhibition)

“Purple and Gold”

Featuring the songs: Purple Haze by Jimi Hendrix, Burn by Deep Purple, Gold on the Ceiling by the Black Keys, Fields of Gold by Sting, House of Gold by Twenty-one Pilots, Purple Hat by Sofi Tukker, and Purple Lamborghini by Skrillex/Rick Ross
2022 Halftime Shows Cont’d

Friday, November 19

“Senior Show”

Featuring songs to be selected by the Marching Pirates own class of 2023!
Becoming a Member – 2 Steps

Step 1:
Register for the class with an advisor or through pirateport.ecu.edu.

Non-music majors: MUSC 1705-01; CRN: 80103 (2 credits)

OR

Music majors: MUSC 1706-01; CRN: 80104 (1 credit)

Deadline to complete both steps: Sunday, August 1, 2022
Becoming a Member – 2 Steps

Step 2:
Go to marchingpirates.org and register for band camp!
Perks, Swag, and other Incentives

• Credit:
  – 2 fine arts credits for non-music majors per semester
  – 1 credit for music majors; also fulfills large ensemble requirement

• Scholarships:
  – 4th-year members and higher $400 (2 disbursements of $200)
  – Student Leaders $400 (2 disbursements of $200)
  – 3rd-year members $300 (2 disbursements of $150)
  – Sousaphone, baritone, trombone and mellophone players $250 (2 disbursements of $125)

• Swag - All students will be outfitted with the following, free of charge:
  – 3 Official ECUMP uniform t-shirt (Purple, Gold, Black)
  – 1 Official ECUMP Polo
  – 1 Official ECUMP beanie and ball cap
  – 1 Official ECUMP Hoodie
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• Leadership and service opportunities:
  – These include a professional interview/audition sequence for leadership candidates, campus/community performances, networking access to alumni, volunteer to assist with band operations, etc.

• No tuition or student fees beyond equipment (shoes, gloves)

• Discounted pricing on season tickets ($180/ticket package for section 2)

• Travel Opportunities:
  – The band is scheduled for no fewer than three off-campus performances this fall throughout the state. All travel costs are covered by the Marching Pirates.

• Flexible(ish) schedule:
  – Class conflicts are allowable at ECU! Students can request to miss up to two hours of rehearsal per week. Simply contact Dr. B and your advisor!
Additional Information

• Contact Information for Dr. Busuito
  – E-mail: busuitoj20@ecu.edu
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• Visit marchingpirates.org to learn and get signed up today!

• Subscribe and follow us on social media!
  – Facebook: @ECUMP
  – Instagram: @marchingpirates
  – Twitter: @ECUBand
  – YouTube: @ECUBand

Thank you for coming!!!
GO PIRATES!!! #ARRRGH