2025 PACKING LIST

Hygiene

- ♦ Toothbrush w/ cap
- ♦ Toothpaste
- ♦ Shampoo
- ♦ Conditioner
- ♦ Face/Body wash
- ♦ Washcloth/Loofah
- ♦ Towels (at least 1)
- Razors (electric or disposable)*ALL MEMBERS*
- ♦ Glasses/contacts/solution
- ♦ Deodorant
- ♦ Comb/brush
- Hair Products (gel, pomade, spray, etc.)
- ♦ Bobby Pins
- ♦ Hair Ties (LOTS)
- ♦ Tampons/pads (2 weeks' worth)
- Chapstick (with SPF, no vitamin E)
- ♦ Nail Clippers
- ♦ Aloe Vera
- ♦ Gold Bond
- Medications (pain/allergies/ prescriptions/supplements)
- Makeup/makeup wipes

Essentials

- ♦ Power Strip
- ♦ Extension cord
- ♦ Chargers
- Portable Chargers
- ♦ Headphones
- Air mattress/sleeping pad (TWIN OR SMALLER, NO COTS)
- ♦ Fitted bedsheet
- ♦ Sleeping bag/blanket
- ♦ Pillow w/ case
- ♦ Personal ID
- ♦ Spending money (\$250-\$350)

Clothing

- ♦ Shirts (7-10**)
- Shorts (7-10**)
- ♦ Hat (1)
- ♦ Athletic Shoes (2)
- ♦ Shower Shoes (1)
- ♦ Socks (16, really)
- Black shin-high socks (for shows, 5 pairs)
- ♦ Underwear (16, really)
- ♦ Sports bras (7-10)
- White racerback sports bras (for shows, 4-5)
- ♦ Sweats (1-2)
- ♦ Long sleeve shirt (1)
- ♦ Light rain jacket (1)
- Nice Outfit (for free days/banquet)
- ♦ After show shoes sandals (1)
- ♦ Sweatshirt (1-2)

Laundry

- ♦ Laundry money (\$15-20)
- Detergent (pods/powder/sheets)
- Dryer sheets/scent boosters
- Mesh Laundry bag (dirty laundry)
- Trash bag or large airtight bag for smelly clothes

Bus

- ♦ Small blanket
- ♦ Pillow
- Bus Box (roughly shoe box size, plastic)
- ♦ Snacks (non-melting)
- ♦ Travel deodorant
- ♦ Travel toothbrush
- Hand sanitizer
- ♦ Febreze
- ♦ Face/Makeup Wipes

Rehearsal supplies

- Sunscreen (50+ spf)
- Bug Spray
- Sunglasses
- Earplugs
- Carabiners
- ♦ Binder (at least 1")
- ♦ Dot Book
- ♦ Music
- Plastic sheet protectors
- Mechanical pencils (5)
- ♦ Rehearsal backpack
- Trash bags/backpack cover
- Ziploc bags (for electronics/dot books)
- Coleman water jug: Deep Ocean color (MUST BE 1 GALLON)

SUGGESTED Items

- ♦ Fanny pack
- ♦ Knee pads
- ♦ Air mattress patch kit
- Ace bandage/brace
- ♦ Band aids/Neosporin
- ♦ Cortisone spray (heat rash)
- Suction cup caddy for bus window
- Travel mirror for makeup application
- Sleep mask
- Fitted sheet as a seat cover for bus
- Athlete's foot spray
- Stain stick
- New skin (liquid band aid)/moleskin (blister cover)
- Personal mementos (pictures)
- Bungee cords

PERCUSSION

Rattery

- ♦ Drum keys (1-2)
- Practice pad
- ♦ Stick tape
- Allen wrenches (1-2)

Front Ensemble

- Nexcare Absolute Waterproof
 Tape
- ♦ Bandaid Sport BandAids
- Extra set of nice-ish clothes for show unload

BRASS

- Black horn towel matching instrument size
- Tuner/Met
- ♦ Extra mouthpiece
- Valve oil and slide grease
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 Polish and cloth (Haggerty,
- spread or spray)
- ♦ Black hair ties
- Mouthpiece brush/snake cleaner
 Writing utensil (specifically pencil)

GUARD

- ♦ Mirro
- Makeup wipes
- Extra hair pins and elastics
- ♦ Gloves (2 pairs)
- ♦ Knee pads
- ♦ Electrical tape (b&w)/scissors
- Black and silver sharpies
- Black drid silver share
 Black fitted tank top
- ♦ Plain black shorts/leggings
- Skin tone undergarments (for under uniform)
- Extra body tight (OPTIONAL)

The numbers given are the minimum you should plan for.

Pack depending on how you personally live, but packing less generally makes life easier. **Laundry days are a projected 10-14 days apart on average, and at maximum 16 days apart, so plan accordingly.

Mark everything with your name!

! Bag Size!

You may bring **one large suitcase or duffel bag** plus **one soft shell small bag or duffel** (35L or less) to stow under the bus. This baggage is in addition to a rehearsal backpack that may travel with you on the bus plus your bus box.

Making Decisions:

Have I used this in the past two weeks? Where am I going to store it? Is there a smaller version that I can afford? If you think you NEED it but you're unsure, ask a returning member. Keep in mind the items you bring will be very well used over the summer, so don't bring your favorite designer t-shirt. Bring items you don't mind getting dirty.

Valuables

Keep this to a minimum because losing things sucks and having things stolen is worse. Ask yourself: Do you REALLY need it on tour? A note: the recommended spending money does not need to be cash – just available funds.

Haiı

No shakos means everyone does show hair. That means everyone brings hair products like gel, pomade, mousse, hairspray, etc. There is little chance of a formal haircut either, so either bring some clippers or make friends with someone who can give you a trim.

Socks

Socks may be an area you want to splurge in: cushion, support, and coverage are worthwhile investments. A compression shirt and shorts will be provided for your uniform along with a member tee/member shorts but you must bring tall black socks.

Leave at home:

Fancy/expensive electronics, expensive jewelry/sunglasses, entire makeup collections, **ANY SORT OF DRUGS/ALCOHOL/TOBACCO/E-CIGS/VAPE PRODUCTS.** We do not allow these and we pass through multiple states where they may be illegal.

Water Jug

We will be using the Coleman water jug in the color Deep Ocean. MUST be 1 gallon in size and keep liquids cool for long periods of time.

Laundry Money

Most laundromats accept card now, but there is always a chance you'll end up with a machine that requires quarters. Plan accordingly.

Some extra direction:

- Shirts (7-10): A new shirt/shorts each day is unnecessary for most people, so plan to re-wear your clothing. Load up on deodorant and you'll make it just fine.
- Shower shoes: To avoid any nasty foot fungus or even injuries to the bottom of your feet, pack a pair of flip flops or other appropriate shoe wear.
- ♦ Nice Clothes: For the end-of-season banquet, we like to clean up a bit.
- ♦ Sunscreen: 50 SPF is ideal at minimum, especially in the beginning of spring training. The UV index in Colorado is no joke. Please pack enough sunscreen!!
- ♦ Gold Bond: Actively avoid chafing.
- Trash Bags: A soaking wet backpack is never fun, so have a handy trash bag or two (or three) with you to cover your belongings in case of rain.
- ♦ Earplugs: Please protect your hearing. Drum corps is loud.
- Power strip: When you sleep in a gym, it's handy to charge your battery packs and regular electronics at the same time a power strip saves outlet space for everyone else.
- Air mattress/sleeping pad: To save space, **twin size or smaller** is required. No cots, as they scratch the floors and are hard to store under buses. Which type you use is up to you and your personal preference. Ask around with returning members for their advice!
- ♦ Spending money: Have some money for merch booths, buy stops, etc.
- Packing cubes can help keep your suitcase organized over tour, and bungee cords can do the same on the bus.