

Q: What should I pack for camp?

A: Use the following guidelines when deciding what to bring or leave at home.

Bring to Camp:

- Any payments/forms that are not turned in (this should rarely apply)
- Music in a folder/binder
with measures numbered
- Pencil/Highlighter
- Water bottle (with your name on it)
- Drawstring bag (to carry water bottle, music, etc.)
- **Sheet/blanket to put over mattress (XL Twin beds)**
- **Blanket/Sleeping Bag/Pillow**
- Clothing that meets your school's dress code requirements
- Fan
- Sleepwear
- Toiletries
- Towel and wash cloth
- Hand sanitizer
- Hand soap
- Shower shoes
- Swimsuit (for pool)
- Closed-toe shoes (for outdoor activities and rock wall)
- Deck of cards or other board games
- Spending money for snacks and other items
- Cell phone charger
- Jacket (in case of inclement weather)
- Camp T-shirt (provided upon arrival and worn on the final day)

Leave at Home:

- Skateboards, scooters, hover boards, and rollerblades
- Valuables (Wartburg is not responsible for lost or stolen property)
- *Students caught with drugs, alcohol, fireworks, weapons, or other illegal paraphernalia are subject to immediate dismissal.*
- Wartburg is a tobacco-free campus. Cigarettes, including e-cigarettes, are prohibited.

Q: Is bedding provided?

A: No, bedding is NOT provided. All on campus campers must provide their own sheets, blankets and pillows! Please double check that your student has these supplies with them!

Q: What if I don't feel well before I come to camp or while I am at camp?

A: Wartburg College follows CDC guidelines. Please do not send your student to camp if you think that there is a possibility they are ill (illness of any kind) – it is not worth the risk to your child and to the rest of the campers and staff at Wartburg. Parents/Guardians may be asked to come get their camper.

Q: How do I order All-State music?

A: According to IHSMA policy all music for All-State must be ordered through the school and director. Notify your teacher that you are registered for All-State Camp to ensure they reserve a packet of music for you, and make arrangements to pick up your music prior to arriving on campus. **Wartburg will NOT** have extra packets for students who arrive to camp without music. *Please make sure your measures are numbered prior to arrival!*
www.westmusic.com/allstate

Q: I am arriving late to camp/leaving early from camp. What should I do?

A: Late arrivals and early departures should be communicated in writing prior to July 30, and authorized by a parent/guardian. Late check-ins and early check-outs will be processed at the Meistersinger All-State Camp Headquarters in the Lobby of Neumann Auditorium and LH 118. Contact allstatecamp@wartburg.edu with the details of your arrival or departure as soon as possible.

Q: Registration: Where do I check in?

A: Check in is available from **10:15am to 12:00pm on Day 1** of camp at Neumann Auditorium. Be prepared to turn in any missing forms or outstanding payments at this time (again this is rare that anything would be missing prior to your arrival). The 1st event on campus begins at 12:15pm.

Q: Can I arrive and check in prior to 10:15am?

A: Check in is available from 10:15am to 12:00pm on Day 1 of camp at Neumann Auditorium. We appreciate you arriving early, but please understand that we are not able to open registration until 10:15am.

Q: What do I do after I check in?

A: After you check in, counselors will be available to show you to your residence hall so you can get settled in (View a map of campus). Your mandatory camp orientation meeting will take place at 12:15 pm in your residence hall with your counselor where you will learn more about the schedule for the day. E Lot is closest to Neumann Auditorium where check in is located, but may not be the closest parking to your residence hall. Leave your luggage in the car until you receive your room assignment and directions to your residence hall. Lunch is NOT included on the first day. Please make sure you have eaten before your orientation meeting at 12:15pm!

Q: Can I switch roommates after now or when I arrive on campus?

A: No, all roommate requests were due on your registration and plans on campus for housing have already been made.

Q: Can I switch rooms after I have been assigned?

A: No, all housing remains as assigned. This is a campus policy and security measure. Failure to follow this policy can result in removal from camp and campus.

Q: I'm a commuter- what does that mean for me?

A: Campers who are commuting daily to and from Wartburg should park in E, S, or F lots (view a map of campus). Once you arrive on campus for rehearsal in the morning, you are there for the day. All meals (with the exception of breakfast) and activities are covered in your registration fees. You are free to go at the close of the final rehearsal, but you are encouraged to participate in the evening activities! If for some reason you need to leave campus during the day, please let a counselor know where you are going, in case of an emergency. Please make sure you have turned in your Commuter Form (this was a digital form, located on your registration or also still available at www.wartburg.edu/camps under Meistersinger All-State Camp, on the right hand side that says "Commuter Release Form").

Q: What if I have to cancel?

A: **Registrations are non-refundable starting July 21.** Please notify us of your change in registration ASAP by emailing: allstatecamp@wartburg.edu regardless of the date.

Q: When is my voice lesson, and what do I do?

A: Campers who signed up for a private lesson will find out the assigned lesson time when they check in. Campers participating in a lesson should excuse themselves from rehearsal 10 minutes before their scheduled time to locate their assigned teacher in the Bachman Fine Arts Center (counselors will be available to help you). *Due to the high volume of camper participation, missed lessons will not be rescheduled and are nonrefundable.*

Q: Can I pack snacks and my water bottle?

A: Absolutely! You are welcome to have some items with you and we absolutely encourage everyone to have a water bottle! Please remember to be responsible in your dorms. All garbage should be picked up and taken care of. Maintenance will provide every dorm room with garbage bags. At the end of camp, all rooms must be cleaned out and trash placed in the dumpsters! Our expectation is that we all take care of our campus!

Q: What's for supper?

A: All meals will be provided at our main dining facility called the Mensa. The cafeteria is set up a la carte style, with a wide variety of options, including vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options offerings. If you have *medically necessary* dietary restrictions that were not declared at registration, please email chris.fosselman@wartburg.edu at Dining Service immediately! Your meal plan begins with dinner on the first day of camp and ends with breakfast on the final day.

Q: What happens after rehearsals are done for the day?

A: After putting in hours of hard work rehearsing the All-State music during the day, we have a variety of activities planned for you to relax and have fun!

- **The W-** Swimming, Rock Climbing, Basketball and other games
- **Karaoke and Free Sing/Open Mic** – Pick a song to sing for karaoke, or bring your own song to perform (all non-karaoke songs must be registered in advance by contacting allstatecamp@wartburg.edu).
- **Late Knight at the Zesty Orange** - If the evening's final rehearsal caused you to work up an appetite, head to the Zesty Orange for some smoothies or Wartburg's signature ice cream sandwich, the cool cookie. Board games and cards will be provided or bring your own.

Q: What is "Devotions" and do I have to go?

A: On the morning of Day #2, our counselors lead a non-denominational Christian worship service consisting of praise music, scripture, and short message that is open to all campers, but is not required.

Q: When should I wear my camp t-shirt?

A: All campers will have received their camp t-shirt upon arrival. We will wear the camp t-shirt, on the final day of camp.

Q: Can my family come to the recording session at the end of camp?

A: YES, the 2025 rehearsal and recording session is open to educators and families who are picking up their campers. Seating will be available in the balcony of Neumann Auditorium. Please be seated by 10:15am. Recording devices are not allowed during this session. The recording session will conclude at 12:15pm.

Q: What happens after the final rehearsal?

A: Camp concludes after the final rehearsal. Campers will be able to pick up their belongings and leave for the day with their ride. Campers are welcome to take pictures with Dr. Nelson, counselors and new friends following the conclusion of rehearsal! This is also a time that campers can register for prizes and drawings!

Please make sure your student has a way home at 12:15pm on the final day of camp!

Q: Can I get a copy of the recording session?

A: Practicing for your All-State audition does not need to end once you leave campus! As part of your registration, each camper will receive practice tracks of each piece, including voice part specific isolation of notes and rhythms, and complete performances from the final recording session at camp. **Recordings will be sent as mp3 files to the student AND parent/guardian email addresses on record unless otherwise requested.**

Q: If there are extra t-shirts, can they be purchased?

A: If we have extra camp shirts, they can be purchased by parents/guardians/educators, etc... Often families will ask to buy an extra one for a graduation quilt for example. Additional shirts are \$18 each.

Camp Regulation and Expectations

- ★ It is expected that campers follow their daily schedule for rehearsals, sectionals, lessons, etc...
- ★ College policy states that an individual is required to make restitution for any property damage done by that individual in a residence hall, rooms or other college property.
- ★ Leave your dorm room as you found it. Speak with a counselor if you have concerns.
- ★ Alcoholic beverages, drugs, smoking, vaping or an illegal items of any kind of strictly forbidden.
- ★ If a camper loses their electronic key fob & dorm key set, a \$200 charge will be assessed, per set.
- ★ If a camper loses their electronic key fob, a \$35 charge will be assessed.
 - Be responsible, and don't lose anything!

Q: What is the fastest way to contact camp staff while my student is at all-state camp?

A: Email is the fastest way to contact us while your student is at camp. Please email allstatecamp@wartburg.edu or sarah.bouska@wartburg.edu, leave information, and a phone number. You are welcome to call 319-352-8743, **but the fastest way for us to see a message & respond is by email.**

Thank you for choosing Wartburg College for All-State Camp! We look forward to working with your camper!

Gratefully,

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