

The Fifes and Drums of York Town



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The Corps

The Fifes and Drums of York Town were founded in honor of the 1976 U.S. bicentennial, to promote and represent the history of Yorktown. Our members, ages 10-18, come from all over Hampton Roads. No auditions or prior musical experience are required.

Membership

Recruit classes usually begin in January, with members added from our waiting list as space allows. We strive to keep costs as low as possible. Monthly dues are \$40, plus initial fees to cover instruments and gear. During performances, recruits serve as flag and banner bearers. As members progress in skill and rank, they earn increased performance and leadership opportunities.

Practice & Performances

Professional instructors guide our young musicians as they master a repertoire of 18th-century military field music. We hold weekly rehearsals and perform frequently in Yorktown. In addition to regular shows during the summer, the corps is featured year-round at community events such as parades, Independence Day celebrations, and Yorktown Day in October. We take our show on the road every year to places like Valley Forge, Independence Hall, Mount Vernon, and the U.S. Capitol.



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RECRUIT WAITING LIST APPLICATION



Name of Prospective Member: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Other Phone : _____

E-Mail: _____

Birthdate: _____ School: _____

Additional Details/Concerns: _____

Instrument (mark ONE): **Fife / Drum / First Available, Prefer Fife / First Available, Prefer Drum**

We typically have room for all fife applicants, but may have a waiting list for drum slots. Those choosing "first available" will be placed on their preferred list, but if spaces fill up, will be offered an alternative spot.

NOTE: Recruits are brought into the Corps as space allows on a first-come, first-served basis. Recruit classes have rehearsals every Thursday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Members pay monthly dues of \$40. New members will also be charged an initial instrument/gear fee: (beginner fife, \$12; drum sticks & sling, \$47). Dues and fees are subject to change based on annual budget requirements and equipment costs, but we do our best to keep costs low.

EMAIL completed form to: recruit-chair@fifes-and-drums.org

MAIL to: The Fifes and Drums of York Town, P.O. Box 489 / 202 Church Street, Yorktown, VA 23690

To be filled out by Recruit Coordinator:

Date application received: _____ Posting Location: _____

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