FAQ: Elon Basketball Band

Who can join the basketball band?
All Elon University students who play a wind instrument, drum set, or electric bass are eligible to join the basketball band.

Do I have to be in marching band to be in basketball band?
No, you do not have to be in the marching band to participate. However, most basketball band members do participate in the “Fire of Carolinas.”

When does the basketball band perform?
The basketball band performs at home Elon Men’s and Women’s basketball games. Members are expected to play at as many games as possible; conflicts are worked out on a game-by-game basis.

Does the band travel?
YES! The band travels to both the Men’s and Women’s Colonial Athletic Association conference tournaments in cities such as Washington, DC, Baltimore, and Philadelphia. The band may also travel to NCAA tournament games!

Do the band members receive any scholarships?
YES! Each member of the basketball band receives a small stipend based on the number of games played during the season.

When does the basketball season start and stop?
Basketball season starts in early November and ends in March. Members are not required to attend games over winter break, however all students who are available for winter break games are welcome and needed!

Is there an audition to join?
No. All students are welcome to join. There is a small part placement audition for wind players and a skill assessment for drum set and bass players. Email Dr. Kehl at akehl@elon.edu and tell him you’re interested, then keep an eye out for the placement auditions in October.

Why should I join the basketball band?
There are many reasons to join the band including performing awesome music ranging from old school to modern popular music, making friends with some of the best people on campus, traveling, scholarships, and having A LOT OF FUN performing for thousands of fans at every game!