

Performance Rules, Policies and Procedures

1. No student can drive to an away event unless approved IN ADVANCE by the band director, parent and principal.
2. No student can leave an away event/review early without ADVANCE approval from the director.
3. If a student has not passed the memorization test, he/she will be part of the loading crew until he/she can pass.
4. Always wear shirts that can be tucked for each performance. Failure to do so will result in your grade dropping.
5. All performance events are part of your overall grade. If you have to miss an event, I need to physically speak with your parent within 10 days of the event. Messages do not count.

Dress Code Rules for ALL MUSIC STUDENTS

1. Concert dress code is as follows:

GENTLEMEN – A white, long sleeve, button down dress shirt that is long enough to be tucked in to pants, black dress pants. Anything other than this, including shorts, are NOT ACCEPTABLE. Get them now – you will need them in December.

LADIES – A white dress blouse long enough to be tucked in and a black skirt or dress slacks. You may also wear a plain, black dress instead. Anything other than this is NOT ACCEPTABLE.

2. Football home game dress code is as follows:

ALL STUDENTS – Blue jeans and band shirt are REQUIRED.

We recommend that students refrain from wearing sandals, flip flops or any other un-sturdy shoes as we sometimes have to walk on uneven surfaces with heavy or oddly-shaped instruments.

3. Marching performance recommended attire:

ALL STUDENTS – Always bring BLACK SOCKS. This is a must as we have a close up inspection. We sometimes end up in locations that do not have adequate changing facilities. It is recommended that you wear a PLAIN WHITE tank top or t-shirt and shorts in case we end up changing outdoors or on the bus.

<p>LADIES – Absolutely NO MAKE-UP can be worn with the band uniform!</p>

Students not in proper performance attire will not be allowed to perform and their grade will drop. If you ever have any questions about dress code, please call me well in advance of any performances, ask me during class, or send a note to me. I will make every effort to respond to you as quickly as possible so you can be prepared.

Music Performance Trip Rules and Helpful Hints

These are long days away from home. These hints will help you make it through your day safely while ensuring everyone has a great time!

1. Breakfast – Please eat a very good and healthy breakfast so you will have enough energy to make it through to the next meal. Empty stomachs make for wobbly marching legs.
2. Lunch – Bring a good lunch or extra money for lunch (between \$10 and \$20 dollars). You may also bring extra snacks to tide you over between meals.
3. Money - Be careful with your money. We've had students keep their money in shoes, pockets or other unsafe locations and it then ends up missing. Wallets, purses, and backpacks are okay to bring. **Teachers and chaperones are NOT responsible for students' money.**
4. Travel – Some bus trips are longer than others. You can bring books, cards or other forms of entertainment on the bus; however, you are responsible for that items safety. The bus driver, teacher, school staff and chaperones are NOT responsible if your item is lost or stolen. Please plan accordingly.
5. Clothing and Uniform – **YOU MUST BRING YOUR OWN UNIFORM TO THE LOADING CREW. Do not ask a friend or chaperone to do this for you – it is not allowed. If your uniform is lost or stolen, you will have to pay for it. ALWAYS BRING BLACK SOCKS! THIS IS REQUIRED!** Certain locations do not have adequate changing facilities. We may end up changing on the bus or elsewhere. If you can, please wear shorts and a plain white t-shirt or tank-top to the band trip and bring other attire (band shirt, jeans, nice shorts, etc.) in a *marked backpack/bag* to change into after the performance. Always bring a sweatshirt/jacket in case of cold weather in certain locations.
6. Instrument – All musicians are responsible for getting their instrument to the loading crew. Do not ask a friend or chaperone to do this for you – it is not allowed. If you do and your instrument is lost or stolen, you will have to pay for it.
7. Classroom rules are bus rules too – All classroom rules are applied to behavior in the bus. The discipline is the same also. You must follow these rules and stay seated at all times while on the bus.
8. Spectators - Download a map to and from our performances and join us. Sometimes parking is far away or is in a hilly location so be sure and wear sturdy walking shoes. Bring any cameras you can to record this priceless performance. You may want to pack an umbrella and jacket for certain locations like Santa Cruz. The weather there is very adventurous!