## **Color Guard Guidelines and Information 2021**

Welcome to RHS Color Guard; we are so excited to get this year started. We have a great show picked out and are looking to have an excellent year. You are slated to build upon the fantastic tradition of RHS Color Guard that the last two years have set the precedent for to help us keep this a lasting addition to the RHS Ram Regiment Marching Band. It is up to you to set the standard for the year and for future members to uphold. Guard adds so much to the marching performance; it adds visuals to the sound, elements of impact, depth to the drill, and overall general effect. Let's work together to make this year awesome!

We will begin preparing for the upcoming season with an Interest/Info meeting on Tuesday, April 27th after school in the Band Room and a Mini-Camp of sorts during the week of May 10th with Guard Fundamentals.

Over the Summer, we will have rehearsals every Tuesday at the High School one day per week; daily time for this to come soon. This will go all the way up to Band Camp. Please make sure you can commit to the rehearsals and necessary schedule.

## **Rehearsals**

The basic guideline/rule for guard and marching band is simple:

## NOT PRACTICING = NOT PERFORMING.

Most of your rehearsals will be after school which means we have to utilize every minute of rehearsal to strive to improve the program. These practices are required and this means being at EVERY rehearsal On Time and ready to work. Bring your positive attitude with you and be open to learning new techniques and ideas. No one ever achieved anything by being stubborn and staying in one place.

## **School Year/Events**

\_\_\_\_\_Throughout the school year there will be several required events to attend. These include, but are not limited to: Every Rehearsal, Every Home football game, Select away football games, Every Playoff football game, 3 Saturday (all day) Marching Band Festivals/Competitions, 2 Holiday Parades, and a winter concert where Marching Band will perform. We realize that things will come up that will be out of your control (i.e. illness and other issues) and will absolutely work around these items as long as they are legitimate and reasonable. All of these guidelines apply to instrumentalists as well. We have to hit the ground running and will not have time to waste. Every member of the band is equally important and we all need to be here and do our part. We need to be a Whole, not full of holes.

Once again, I am so excited to get this year running and I know that you all will be a fantastic crew and will set a high professional standard!!

Please return this page to Mr. Pike or Mrs. McLaughlin by the beginning of Band/ Color Guard Camp on MONDAY AUGUST 2nd, 2021.

Information you provide is to allow us to disseminate information in a more efficient and quicker manner.

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_have received a copy of the Band class syllabus and reviewed the information with my child. We understand that each individual is important to the whole ensemble. It is understood that failure to fully participate in any Band concert, required performance, or required rehearsal will result in an incomplete grade for the grading period/final exam if an alternative assignment or exam is not completed. I (we) agree that my child will complete the alternative assignments or exams if an unpredictable event should arise.

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Student Signature:
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