

BAND HANDBOOK SELF TEST

This test is the first daily grade for band. Tear out and return in September
By writing your name below, and with the parent signature below, you
acknowledge that you have read the handbook, understand the material within
and agree to abide by the rules and statements described within.

Your Name _____

Parent Signature _____

I. Circle the most correct answer to each of the following based on the text in the handbook:

- 1) In high school band you will:
 - a) Have experiences that will last a lifetime
 - b) Make lifelong friends
 - c) Participate in a tradition of excellence
 - d) Through discipline make beautiful music.
 - e) All of the Above
- 2) It is the philosophy of the Band to:
 - a) Make a High Score at every contest
 - b) Win or Place at Contest
 - c) Perform with the highest possible quality all the time
 - d) Have a friendly, sociable band
 - e) Make sure everyone likes Mr. Severns
- 3) According to the philosophy of the Band it is the responsibility of the student to:
 - a) Perform at the best of their ability all the time
 - b) Win at all Costs
 - c) Sacrifice all of their time for band
 - d) Like all of your instructors
 - e) All of the Above
- 4) The rationale, reason, for teaching music:
 - a) As a tool for teaching skills like teamwork, leadership and discipline
 - b) To help people sharpen their mind
 - c) To have experiences that are powerful and uplifting
 - d) To provide a vehicle for expression
 - e) All of the Above
- 5) Which of the following is a goal of the Band for its students to:
 - a) Have fun all the time
 - b) Win at Contest
 - c) Read Music
 - d) Create lifelong friendships
 - e) All of the Above are goals of the band
- 6) An appointment made 6 months ago conflicts with rehearsal, you should:
 - a) Tell a director the day of the appointment
 - b) try and reschedule the appointment then bring a signed note 2 days in advance of the conflict.
 - c) leave a message that you will not be at practice.
 - d) miss the appointment and go to band.
 - e) skip the rehearsal
- 7) There is a Church choir meeting every Tuesday and you want to go but it conflicts with the last hour of band you should:
 - a) Each Tuesday say you are going to choir and miss the last hour of band.
 - b) Tell Severns in August you have Church choir Tuesdays and just leave
 - c) Quit church choir for the duration of marching season
 - d) Discuss with the band and choir director your options, and make a schedule that shares the time and keeps performance conflicts in mind
 - e) Drop band and complain that it takes too much time.
- 8) You are late to marching rehearsal, you should:
 - a) Quickly get your instrument, run to the band field, and celebrate
 - b) Grab a piece of pit equipment and bring it outside then go to your spot
 - c) Go straight to the field and run to Mr. Severns with why you were late, then walk inside and get your instrument
 - d) Make up an excuse that you were at tutorials
 - e) Skip the rehearsal
- 9) There is sectional at 4:00 pm, you should:
 - a) Set up your instrument and practice until the sectional starts
 - b) Go to a club meeting and check in, tell the sponsor you have to leave at 3:55 for band.
 - c) Go to the band room, set up your instrument and do homework until the sectional starts
 - d) Go over the music with a friend until the sectional starts
 - e) All of the Above are good things to do before a 4:00 rehearsal.

- 10) You plan to be on swim team in the fall, you should:
- Tell a director every time you are going to swim.
 - Tell a director in August are on the swim team and just leave each time
 - Quit the swim team
 - Talk to everyone about your options and make two copies of a schedule for the band director and swim coach that keeps performance conflicts in mind and make sure everyone who needs one has one.
 - Drop band and complain that it takes too much time.
- 11) Criteria the directors use for choosing who is in a marching spot include:
- Attendance
 - Attitude
 - Playing/Marching ability
 - Eligibility
 - All of the above
- 12) Band Class Options Include:
- Jazz Band basically only if you are in a band class band
 - Symphonic Band by audition in the spring
 - Concert Band in the spring for anyone who is interested
 - Symphonic Band in the fall, but plan to do marching band
 - All of the Above
- 13) Parents should be active members of the Band Booster Club because it:
- Raises money for equipment, instruction, show design, and other things for the marching band
 - Is a fun social group that supports your kids activities
 - Provide a work force to build, repair, and sew props, uniforms, and equipment for the marching band
 - To stay well informed of band events
 - All of the above
- 14) Your Grade in band does **NOT** include:
- Written and Playing Tests
 - Practice Records
 - Attendance at rehearsals and performances
 - Mr. Severns personal opinion of you
 - All of the above are not part of your grade
- 15) In Band you may use a school instrument if you:
- Use your own your own mouthpiece and reeds
 - Have filled out an Instrument use Form
 - Have never destroyed an instrument
 - Do so on a first come, first serve basis
 - All of the above
- 16) For marching band you should have:
- Tennis Shoes and Comfortable Loose Fitting Clothes
 - A big Supply of Water Balloons
 - Mountain Dew in your Water Bottle
 - Flip Flops and Sandals
 - All of the above
- 17) For the concert band uniform boys should have:
- A nice Blue Suit and Long Neck Tie
 - A Rainbow colored Bow Tie/Cummerbund combination
 - White Socks
 - A Tuxedo
 - All of the above
- 18) For the concert band uniform girls should have:
- A Black Band Dress
 - A big red hat
 - Open Toed Shoes
 - Lots of Jewelry
 - All of the above
- 19) Yearly band fees include:
- Activity Fee
 - Band Travel Fees
 - Winter Fair Share Fee if in the winter color guard or drum line
 - Fall Fair Share Fees
 - All of the above
- 20) Items **REQUIRED** for daily rehearsal include:
- A sharpened pencil with eraser
 - A 1" Hot Pink Binder with lots of stickers and pictures on it
 - A Metronome
 - A Tuner with Clip on Microphone
 - A Folding Stand

- 21) Items Required for Marching Band include:
- A Flip Folder with at least 10 Pages and Lyre specific for your instrument
 - A 3”X5” Memo Book w/ String and Golf Pencil (Dot Book)
 - A Band Shirt
 - Black Gloves, Socks and Specific Marching Shoes
 - All of the above

- 22) Instrument Requirements Include:
- Any mouthpiece you happen to have
 - No specifics on reeds, lubrication, or sticks.
 - A recommendation for an instruments but an option for alternatives approved by the director
 - All of the above
 - Students don’t need an instrument

- 23) When you practice it is best to:
- Go straight to the music you are working on of contest
 - Immediately see how fast and high you can play
 - Only work on contest music
 - Use a metronome to check and maintain a steady tempo
 - All of the above

- 24) Private Lessons are:
- a good way to increase your playing skills
 - free
 - only paid for if you attend
 - required
 - All of the above

- 25) Band Leader Opportunities Include:
- Drum Major
 - Section Leader
 - Group Leaders
 - Band Officers
 - All of the above

II. In the space on the left mark the best option, either True(T) or False(F)

- Talking during band rehearsal is unacceptable unless your hand is raised and you are given permission to speak
- Grades may be affected if you do not have all of your equipment at any band performance or rehearsal. This includes instrument, music, required uniform/band shirt, lyre, flip folder, pencil, mutes, or reeds
- It’s OK to correct someone next to you during a rehearsal if you are not a leader and they are definitely wrong
- Performers should sit up and look professional throughout a performance
- Performers should refrain from talking while on stage during performance
- Do not eat or drink anything but water while in uniform unless specific permission has been given
- Talking during a bands performance is allowed
- Concert goers should only clap between pieces and for soloists when appropriate, never between movements
- If you arrive late to a concert, you should walk right in and sit down
- Yelling, screaming, and whistling are acceptable ways to acknowledge a good performance
- Flash Photography should only be done between songs, never during the performance
- It is unacceptable to change seats or move around the stands during a game
- Band members should ignore the game so they are “ready to play”
- It is OK switch instruments during a game
- Wearing your jacket or band shirt unbuttoned is OK
- Students must stay in the band seating area throughout the game unless given permission for a bathroom break.
- You should have your own flip folder and lyre or the basketball band book during a game, and never share music
- Students are representatives of the school and the band program whenever they are in uniform, partial uniform, or a band shirt
- When asked to be quiet at a marching contest by anyone, do so
- At a marching contest it is OK stands during a bands performance
- When riding the bus it’s OK to move about the bus while it is moving
- Students should immediately get up when we arrive
- Buses should be clean, free of trash, and undamaged when we get off
- You must be in full uniform when getting on to or off of the bus
- You can be kicked out of band for excessive etiquette violations