



2019 / 2020 BEREA-MIDPARK MARCHING BAND

MARCHING BAND PROCEDURES – Summer, 2019

1. All band members will be issued a full uniform and raincoat. **A \$45.00 fee will be required for all marching band members.** This band fee covers the expense of one pair of gloves, music, maintenance of instruments, and an end-of-season uniform and raincoat cleaning. All **NEW** marchers will receive a beret and band t-shirt when their band fee is paid, and **ALL** marchers must have white band shoes that can be purchased for approximately \$35.00. Band Boosters will take shoe orders during Uniform Fittings. There will also be a \$9.00 tux-cleaning fee required for all boys in the band program (**except for those students who paid this fee for the 2018-19 school year.**) In the event of a family experiencing financial difficulty, please see Mr. Fudale or Mr. Barth.
2. All band members will be issued a folder, which is used to keep music in good condition. Folders are to be kept in the wood rack or in the student's locker. Music folders are **NOT** to be kept in the band room, practice rooms, or other music storage areas. Once the season is completed, the students will be required to turn in their folder and all music. *Lost or damaged folders will result in the student purchasing a new one.*
3. Grades for the marching season differ slightly than those of the concert season. Grades will be based on performance of music, execution of marching drills and dance routines, attitude, cooperation, and especially **attendance at all rehearsals and performances.** It is inconceivable that a missed rehearsal can be made up by sitting in a practice room for the same amount of time. Balance, blend, intonation, technical facility, marching precision, and execution of dance routines are practiced heavily at all rehearsals.
4. On performance dates, report to the band room in **full uniform!** Do **NOT** show up in casual dress and change at the school! The uniform is to be worn properly at all times! **These uniforms are in great condition – YOU are responsible for them and your raincoat! Take pride in your appearance – keep your uniform and raincoat neat and hung properly on the assigned hanger!**
5. Listed below are some of the tips for proper care of your uniform.
 - a. No uniform or any part(s) are to be kept at school, in lockers, cars, etc. Uniforms leave the school on the assigned hanger – **no exceptions.**
 - b. The student will pay for any part of the uniform or raincoat that is lost or damaged. The cost for uniform replacement is over \$400.00.
 - c. **NEVER put the uniform in a washing machine.** Specific uniform cleaning instructions will be provided in August on uniform distribution day.
6. Be prompt for all rehearsals and performances. Attendance is taken *twice* at all functions. Students who arrive late to rehearsal unexcused will have cleaning duties assigned to them during the week.
7. The band will sit in “**block band**” formation at all football games. Remember: You are representing your school and community. There are to be **NO** students or parents in the band block at any time during the game!! Also, there is to be **NO candy, food, or gum** in the stands during the **1st, 2nd, and 4th** quarters. This rule applies to **ALL** members of the band. **Cell phones are not permitted at any function where the Marching Band performs. All school rules apply while traveling with the Marching Band.**
8. With the exorbitant cost of instrument repairs, proper care and caution with your instrument is extremely important. Be very cautious during the 3rd quarter and in the bleachers. Keep instrument in case when possible. Student negligence, which causes damage to a school instrument, will result in the repair being paid for by the student.
9. All students will ride the bus to and from away games and any time buses are used. **STUDENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO GO HOME WITH FRIENDS.** Students may go home with their own parent if they bring a note and meet with Mr. Fudale or Mr. Barth at the band function.
10. All marching band students participating in the Phys. Ed. Waiver Program must adhere to all the rules and regulations set forth by the Berea City School District to receive the physical education waiver.