

ATTENDANCE AND GRADING POLICY

Dundee High School Marching Band 2023-2024

By signing this contract, it indicates that both the student and parent understand and agree to comply with the attendance and grading policy as well as resulting consequences if the policy is not followed.

Expectations

- Students are required to be at full band practices and sectionals (outside of the school day) throughout the season and will receive a grade for their attendance and participation.
 - A Performance and Practice Contract will be issue to each student.
 - When it is made available, you are asked to place an 'x' next to those events(s) that are unavoidable conflicts only and explain your reason(s) at the bottom.
 - Events left unmarked are considered those in which your child will participate.
 - Please make every effort to clear conflicts with the schedule well in advance and ensure that your student **is** at both practices and performances.
 - Sectionals date/times will be determined by student section leaders and a schedule will be provided to your student.
- Students with jobs are expected to take the performance/practice schedule to their Supervisors immediately to ask for those days off.
- Students involved in sports are expected to balance their time between both organizations. This requires planning and scheduling in advance to avoid last minute conflicts.
 - Performances always take precedence over sports practices, just as games take precedence over band practices.
 - In the case that a conflict arises involving both a game and a performance, the Athletic Director, Coach, and Ms. Yettaw will work together the best compromise possible.
 - Students will not be penalized in this instance if advanced notification has taken place.
- **Trenton Competition and MSBOA Marching Band Festival** Due to the competitive nature of these two events, excused absences will not be given for the Trenton Competition or MSBOA Marching Band Festival **except** in the case of illness or family emergency. All students must be in attendance to present a complete show worthy of competition and judging. Please schedule around these two performances.

Absences

- Absences noted on the Performance and Practice Contract will be excused at the discretion of the director.
- Understanding that there may be unforeseen schedule conflicts or unexpected life events, parents are asked to communicate in advance (by email or written note) if your student must miss a full band practice or sectional. Excused absences will only be given when notification is provided before the absence by the parent.

Consequences

- Performances are considered the equivalent of an exam grade. Students missing a performance will be required to complete an alternate assignment to make-up the missed grade. Performances that are missed **without** any prior notice will result in a zero.
- Excessive absences from practices or performances may result in dismissal from the Dundee Band Program

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Name of Student (Printed) _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____