

Hello Band Parents!

My name is Arvella Oliver, and I am the new Uniform Coordinator. Uniform checkout night is Tuesday, August 3 for returning marchers and Thursday, August 5 for new marchers. I need your help to make sure it goes smoothly for everyone and that our kids look their best for this year's show. Please review the following process with your child so that everyone is ready to go.

Fittings:

You must wear a t-shirt and shorts that fit for measuring and fitting. Baggy or oversized tees and shorts make it difficult to measure you properly, and your uniform will not look good.

Long hair must be put up in ponytail or 'bun' so that it fits under your shako.

Drum line marchers need to wear harnesses for their fittings

Please wear a good antiperspirant! This will make the 'atmosphere' more pleasant for all and help protect the uniforms. (I highly recommend Arm & Hammer unscented antiperspirant.)

Checkout:

Parents will remain in the band hall while students go through the fitting and checkout process.

NO food or drinks will be allowed anywhere near the fitting area!

Your section and rank leaders will guide you through the process. Please pay attention to them and to the adult volunteers.

Please do not remove the barcode tags from your uniform! The leadership team will do that at the end of the checkout process. If you find a barcode tag on the floor, please return it to Mrs. Oliver.

If your uniform pants are unhemmed they will be very long. Please do not walk on them! Roll them up!

Drum line, please remember to pick up your harnesses before entering the fitting line.

If you are purchasing marching shoes, wear the socks you will wear for the show.

Process: Payment and forms

Students proceed to hallway by choir room while parents go to RH1

Students take off shoes, go to check-in table and pick up uniform envelope.

If you were measured on July 29, go to uniform room door to pick up jacket and pants. If you have not been measured, go to the Little Theatre kitchen (across from bathroom). Do not go into the uniform room until you have been measured! Leadership will direct you.

When you have received your uniform, go into a practice room and put it on over your tee and shorts.

Go into the yellow band hall for fitting. When that's done, return to the practice room and take off your uniform.

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Return to yellow band hall and go to the garment bag station, then continue around the hall to pick up your white gauntlets, black gauntlets and shako, then go to the final checkout table. Please Do Not Wander Around! Go through the checkout stations in the proper order.

After final checkout please put your uniform in the garment bag. Put your hat in the designated place in the yellow band hall. Do not remove the string from your hat! You may loosen it as you please, but do not take it out.

If you are buying marching shoes, go to the choir room to be fitted.

When you have completed the process, meet your parents in RH1.

Parents, we are making one important change this year: in order to (hopefully) limit the number of pants to be hemmed, returning marchers will try on their uniforms from last year. If no alterations are needed, we would like the students to take their uniforms home to be laundered. Some freshman marchers may be assigned a uniform that belonged to one of last year's seniors that will need to be laundered. A 'washing instructions' sheet will be available at uniform fittings and I will be available to answer any questions you may have. If you would rather not wash the uniform, have your student leave it in the proper place in the yellow band hall after checkout.

Thank you for helping us make our band look great!

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