

Dorman Band Guidelines 2008

This coming year is going to be very exciting for the Dorman Band program. Being a DHS band member takes a great deal of work and time, but the rewards are well worth it. Most of you probably know that band members average 50-60 points higher on the SAT than non-music students. This paired with band members' well-roundedness, self-discipline, and music talent will help our students get into college and gives them an edge for scholarships. Please take the time to talk with your student about their interest in band. Rest assured that students can take band all four years at Dorman and still get all of the other academic credits that are required.

- The cost of band membership is \$350. \$250 for additional family members living at same address.
- A non-refundable \$100 deposit will be due June 3, 2008. The other non-refundable payments are due July 24 (\$100), August 14 (\$75) and September 18 (\$75). Make sure all checks are made to the "**Dorman Band**" and have student's first and last name on the memo line. See band director for financial arrangements.
- Tues. May 20th and Thurs. May 22nd are full band rehearsals from 3:50-6:40 PM. There is a mandatory meeting of parents of new members at 6:45 PM on Thurs. May 22nd in the high school band room.
- Summer Rehearsals begin July 22. Open House is 7:00 PM on Thurs. July 24 for all band parents/ students.
- Please go to the band website www.spart6.org/band/ for current band calendar and other vital information. Work, appointments, lessons, detentions, etc. must be scheduled around all rehearsals. Missed rehearsals/ performances will affect participation in future band activities.
- After-school rehearsals will be held on every Tuesday and Thursday 3:50-6:40 PM (rain or shine). Mondays will be used for extra Guard and Percussion Sectionals.
- **BAND MEMBERS MUST BE SCHEDULED AND TAKE A BAND CLASS! (Marching Winds, Percussion and Guard) Marching Band Class will be 4th Block 1st Semester. Be sure to register this spring for band.** Spring semester classes Wind Ensemble (10th-12th), Symphonic Band (10th-12th) and Freshman Ensembles placement will be based on playing ability and work ethics.
- Attendance at football games, parades, concerts, and contests is required. All guidelines in the Band Handbook and School Handbook will apply. (See website)

===Cut here and return form below =====Keep top half for your records=====

2008 Letter of Intent for the Dorman High School Marching Band.

Name _____ 2008-09 Grade _____

Please print.

Instrument(s) _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Student email _____ Student cell _____

Parent Names _____ Parent email _____

___ I have read the above guidelines and I want to _____ Mom cell _____

participate in the 2008 Dorman Marching Band. _____ Dad cell _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____