



Color Guard

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Course Description: The indoor color guard, also known as winterguard, is a subsection of the very successful Houston High marching band. Often known as the Sport of the Arts, winterguard builds skills in dance, design, and choreography while presenting a sense of pageantry to its audience. The indoor season technically begins in November after the marching season ends. Composition, however, for the indoor season actually goes on all year long. Once practices begin in November, the girls practice over 15 hours per week rehearsing their show in preparation for the competition season that runs from January through April. Winterguard members commit over six weekends in the spring semester for competition.

Classroom Expectations: Rules and Procedures

Excellent conduct is expected of all band members. Members are held to a standard that requires them to treat each other and their teachers with respect. The discipline demanded of band members dictates that they pay attention, be quiet, be on time, and arrive at rehearsal with all necessary music and equipment.

Consequences

If a problem persists, the parents are contacted and asked for help. If together, we are unable to resolve the issue, an administrator will be involved. Removal from the band program is possible for repeated and willful disregard for proper conduct.

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Grading Scale

<u>Numeric Grade</u>	<u>Letter Grade</u>
93-100	A
85-92	B
75-84	C
74-70	D
69 - 0	F

Grading System

Grades consist of evaluating a student's abilities as well as their improvement in both rehearsal and performance. Because this is a performance-based class, evaluations of a student's performance will comprise 60% of their grade. These evaluations are done through videotape evaluation, direct observation, incorporation of All District and All State audition results, and evaluation of chair audition results for our ensembles.

Attendance Policy

Missing a performance for an unexpected reason will result in a grade of zero. Since it is not possible to make up a missing performance, attendance is of paramount importance.

Syllabus

Your syllabus schedule must be in a table format. It doesn't have to look like this, but it must be in table format.

Monday, August 8 All day First Day of School Friday, August 12 7:00pm Rock-a-thon Saturday, August 13 » 7:00am Rock-a-thon Tuesday, August 16 7:00pm Booster Meeting Friday, August 26 5:00pm Bolton Away Game Friday, September 2 5:00pm Collierville Away Game Friday, September 9 5:00pm Bartlett Home Game Friday, September 16 5:00pm	Wooddale Home Game Saturday, September 17 10:00am Full Band Rehearsal Friday, September 23 5:00pm Raleigh Egypt Home Game Saturday, September 24 All day Contest TBA Saturday, October 1 All day Vanderbilt Competition Saturday, October 8 All day Contest TBA Tuesday, October 11 7:00pm Booster Meeting Friday, October 14 5:00pm Germantown Home Game Saturday, October 15	All day Contest TBA Friday, October 28 5:00pm Kirby Home Game Saturday, October 29 All day Bandmasters Championship Tuesday, November 15 7:00pm Booster Meeting Tuesday, January 17, 2012 7:00pm Booster Meeting Tuesday, February 21, 2012 7:00pm Booster Meeting Tuesday, March 20, 2012 7:00pm Booster Meeting Tuesday, April 17, 2012 7:00pm Incoming Freshman Meeting
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