

Warner Robins High School Marching Band Color Guard

2011 AUDITIONS

Hello!

We are so excited and glad that you are interested in becoming a member of this outstanding group. This packet is to help you and your parents become more familiar with our program. Of course, you will learn the technical aspects throughout the clinic. The following pages are to give you an idea of the commitments we ask from all of our members. The information you provide will help us in getting to know you better as well.

Enclosed in this packet:

1. This welcome Letter
2. Statement of Commitment
3. Parental consent
4. Tentative Schedule
5. Estimated Costs
6. Audition Application
7. Student Evaluation (5)

THE APPLICATION, INTENDED COMMITMENT, AND PARENTAL CONSENT MUST BE COMPLETED AND ON FILE WITH US BEFORE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY PART OF THE CLINIC. This is very important and WE CANNOT MAKE ANY EXCEPTIONS.

The recommendations must be completed and on file with us by the final audition day-April 8, 2011. These are just one part of the evaluation process, so please give them to your teachers as soon as possible.

There will also be a \$100 deposit due (accompanied with a self addressed stamped envelope) on or before April 6th. If we do not receive this deposit, you will not be able to audition. If you are selected for the 2011 Color Guard, this deposit (non-refundable) will go towards your uniform and accessories fee. If you are not selected, we will mail the check back to you.

PLEASE NOTE: This packet is not exhaustive—information is subject to addition and/or modification. All such changes will be communicated in writing with ample notification. Those girls who are selected for membership will be receiving more detailed information on schedules, fees, and program policies as soon as these are available after auditions.

Please see the marching band information packet that can be found on the band's web-site www.wrhsband.net . All color guard members are considered a part of the WRHS Band and must adhere to all policies and rules of the group.

Of course, if you or your parents have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Again, we are very glad you are here and look forward to the upcoming events!!!

The Warner Robins High School Band and its ensembles-including the color guard-do not discriminate against students based on race, religion, lifestyle, financial need, or for any other reason. Members are selected through an audition process based largely in part on a student's perceived abilities to achieve success in an ensemble and the overall attitude conveyed by the student.

Warner Robins High School Marching Band Color Guard 2011 STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

STUDENTS—PLEASE READ AND COMPLETE WITH YOUR PARENT(S).

As you are trying out and trying us out, we need to be very sure that you and your parents are aware of what is expected of you as an auditionee and, more importantly, what is expected of all girls selected for membership.

As you read each of the following, please take time to review all the attached information we have provided. Please also ask any questions you may have. This statement is very important to the success of this group and your happiness while participating in all aspects of the season. You should also take pride in the individual responsibilities we extend to members; without these, our organization does not work.

I, _____, understand that as a potential member of the 2011 WRHS Color guard, I will be expected to uphold and adhere to the following:

1. Attend ALL scheduled rehearsals and performances
2. **Fulfill all financial obligations in a timely manner**, including participation in designated fundraisers
3. **Represent my school, family, community, and band respectfully at all times.**
4. Keep a constructive attitude
5. Abide by all color guard, band, and school rules and instructions, however reasonably communicated.

I further understand the following about the audition process and the WRHS Color Guard:

6. I will not be allowed to participate until I have completed and returned all required forms
7. I will not be allowed to audition until I have turned in a \$100 non-refundable (if selected) deposit that, under the circumstance that I am not accepted, will be returned via mail.
8. The guard is a group made up of individuals. **Decisions made by the staff and band boosters are for the success and safety of the group, and not necessarily to cater to individuals.**

By signing below, I pledge in good faith that my parents and I have reviewed the expected commitment and I agree I am making this commitment as a potential member of the 2011 WRHS Color Guard.

Student

Date

I understand the expected commitment my child is making in conjunction with her consideration for and potential membership in the 2011 WRHS Color Guard.

Parent

Date

Warner Robins High School Marching Band Color Guard
2011 PARENTAL CONSENT

STUDENTS—PLEASE READ AND COMPLETE WITH YOUR PARENT(S).

My child, _____, has my permission to participate in the 2011 Warner Robins High School Color Guard auditions. I understand this is a physically demanding activity similar to dance and/or cheerleading. I further understand that while students will be supervised by staff members at all times, I am releasing Warner Robins High School and its agents from any liability in the event of injury. Additionally, **I understand that a \$100 deposit is required and that it will only be returned if my child is not selected for the unit.**

Parent

Date

ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY FOR ALL DATES/EVENTS. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

WHEN		WHAT	WHERE
Date(s)	Time	Event	Location
April 4 – April 8, 2011 (Mon - Thurs)	3:30 – 5:30	Audition Clinic	WRHS Gym
April 8, 2010 (Fri)	3:30 – until	Auditions	WRHS Gym
July 11 – July 15, 2011 (Mon – Fri)	7:30 – 5:30	Guard Camp	WRHS Gym - REQUIRED
July 18 – July 22, 2011 (Mon – Fri)	7:30 – 5:30	BAND CAMP	WRHS - REQUIRED

***ALL Auditions and Rehearsals ARE CLOSED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.**

In addition to the above dates, members are expected to attend the following during the fall:

- *Regular after-school practices (3pm-5:30pm) on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri when there is no game scheduled. A calendar will be given out in the marching band packet.*
- *Regular Saturday practices-typically 1 to 2 each month (Aug, Sept, Oct)*
- *All football games, pep rallies, & parades (Christmas Parade is Mandatory!! 1st weekend in December)*
- *All contests-typically 3 to 4 Saturdays from September through November*

AS YOU CAN SEE, WE HAVE A VERY FULL SCHEDULE. NOTICE, HOWEVER, THERE ARE NO PROGRAM OBLIGATIONS DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE. WE ALSO DO NOT HAVE ANY PRACTICES ON WEDNESDAYS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR. **MEMBERS MUST TAKE CARE OF PERSONAL BUSINESS DURING PERSONAL TIME AND OFF DAYS.**

ALL APPOINTMENTS-INCLUDING DOCTOR AND DENTIST VISITS, MAKE-UP TESTS, TUTORING, ETC SHOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF ON WEDNESDAYS. THESE WILL NOT BE EXCUSED ABSENCES. DETENTION IS AUTOMATICALLY UNEXCUSED. NO EXCEPTIONS!!! Work is NEVER excused!!!

Official calendar and attendance policies will be distributed to all members prior to the end of the current school year.

ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL DATES/EVENTS. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

ESTIMATED COSTS

Persons selected for membership will be responsible for a financial obligation to the program of approximately \$485 as reasonably estimated below. Please note the Band Boosters offer several fundraisers each year, some of which members can use to directly reduce their fees.

STUDENTS (and parents) ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL FEES. FULL PARTICIPATION IN ALL BAND FUNDRAISERS IS EXPECTED OF ALL MEMBERS.

What follows are our **best estimates** for uniform, equipment, and band fees. Significant differences between these estimates and the actual costs are not expected; however, minimal differences are likely and exact prices and invoices will be provided for members prior to the end of the band camp.

<i>Estimated Price</i>	
Item	Price
Uniform	110.00
Duffle	25.00
Pole	10.00
Practice Flag	11.00
Wind suit Jacket	40.00
Wind suit Pants	35.00
Gloves (Weapons Only)	14.00
Shoes	40.00
Makeup	18.00
Poncho	7.00
Band Camp Fee	125.00
Equipment Rental	25.00
Shipping and Handling	10.00
Monogramming	15.00
Rough Estimate with Fees	485.00

*These prices are estimates only.

**Only a few these items are the same as those in last year's uniform; therefore, each girl will receive a detailed invoice of their individual items needed and cost for those.

FEES

The Color guard is just one part of the marching band; therefore, members are responsible for all applicable band fees. Band camp fee includes instruction, 2 t-shirts, and select meals during the season.

*** A detailed payment schedule is listed below. Amounts may change when final costs are determined. The final payment will reflect balance due. This could be more or less.

2011 COLORGUARD PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payment #1 April 6, 2011	\$100.00 (3rd day of try-outs)		
Payment #2 May 1, 2011	- \$48.00	Payment #7 August 1, 2011-	\$48.00
Payment #3 June 1, 2011	- \$48.00	Payment #8 August 15, 2011-	\$48.00
Payment # 4 June 15, 2011	- \$48.00	Payment #9 September 1, 2011-	\$49.00
Payment #5 July 1, 2011	- \$48.00		
Payment# 6 July 15, 2011	- \$48.00		

Warner Robins High School Marching Band Color Guard 2011 AUDITION APPLICATION

****This application must be accompanied by 5 teacher recommendations in sealed envelopes.**
****SECTION LEADER applicants must have 6 teacher recommendations in sealed envelopes.**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN BLUE OR BLACK INK.

Name _____ **Home Phone** _____

Email _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Address _____ **Current Grade** 8 9 10 11
 _____ **Date of birth** _____
City, State Zip

Parent/Guardian _____ **Work phone** _____

Email _____

Experience: Attach a separate sheet if necessary for explanations.

1. Have you been a member of this or any other color guard before? **YES NO**

If yes when and where? _____ How many years? _____

2. Do you have formal dance training? **YES NO**

If yes where did you study? _____ How many years? _____

3. Do you play an instrument? **YES NO**

If yes which instrument? _____ How many years? _____

4. Have you been involved in other performance activities such as drama or athletics? **YES NO**

If yes what? _____ How many years? _____

5. Have you ever quit or been dismissed from a team/group at any school? **YES NO**

If yes explain.

6. Have you been in ISS or suspended at any time in the last two years? **YES NO**

If yes explain

On the back of this form or on a separate piece of paper, please tell us why you would like to be a member of the WRHS Color Guard.

**Warner Robins High School Marching Band Color Guard
2011 STUDENT EVALUATION**

Student Name _____

School _____ Homeroom _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this evaluation on behalf of the above-named student. Please fill out the following information to the best of your knowledge. All ratings and comments will be kept confidential. Return this form to the student in a sealed envelope, OR use HCBOE pony to send to **MR. RYLES, WRHS (4056) BANDROOM. This form is due NLT April 6, 2011**

PLEASE RATE THE STUDENT'S QUALITIES USING THE FOLLOWING SCALE:
A=BEST; B=ABOVE AVERAGE; C=AVERAGE; D=BELOW AVERAGE; F=POOR.

	POOR		AVERAGE		SUPERIOR
1. WORK HABITS	F	D	C	B	A
2. ATTITUDE TOWARDS OTHER STUDENTS	F	D	C	B	A
3. RESPONSIBILITY	F	D	C	B	A
4. PROMPTNESS	F	D	C	B	A
5. REACTION TO CRITICISM	F	D	C	B	A

IS THIS STUDENT CURRENTLY PASSING YOUR CLASS? YES NO

DO YOU RECOMMEND THIS STUDENT FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE GUARD? YES NO

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO WRITE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BELOW AND ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET IF NECESSARY.

Signed _____

Name _____

Subject _____ School/phone _____