

TALLWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

BAND

HANDBOOK

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Greetings Students and Parents

Welcome to the 2019 THS Band Season! I hope you are ready for another incredible year! However, every year comes down to a few questions: How good do **YOU** want to be? How hard are **YOU** willing to work? What kind of band do **YOU** want this to be?

Before we can begin our experience, it is important to understand that there are certain guidelines that you must follow in order to be successful. Please read through the information in this handbook very carefully. It contains some important dates, some new rules, and lots of information you will need to be familiar with.

The Marching Lions are known for giving their audience something special. This year we will present **Vibrations**. The show is variations on the Beach Boys classic tune and will explore the science of sound. With arrangements by Daniel Valadie and drill by Brandon Cochenour, we are sure to have an exciting marching season.

Being a member of the Tallwood High School Band affords you many opportunities, but also binds you to many responsibilities. You are expected to:

- Abide by the VBCPS Student Code of Conduct.
- Abide by the VBCPS Student Honor Code.
- Work cooperatively with all staff members and other students.
- Report promptly to ALL rehearsals, performances and band functions on time.
- Practice your music or guard work regularly.
- Give your BEST every time, all the time.

I am very excited about the 2019-2020 school year. Every member of this group has so much to offer and together we will achieve greatness! Remember... ***Although perfection can never be attained, it must always be our goal!*** Be ready to work hard and above all *have fun*. This is **YOUR BAND**.

Timothy J. Rossettini

*Director of Bands
Tallwood High School*

Attendance Policy

As with any organization, attendance and participation are crucial to the overall success of the group. All rehearsals and events **are mandatory**, and students will be held accountable for tardiness, absence and lack of participation. The success of the band program depends on the dedication and attendance of all members of the group.

All events and rehearsals are scheduled and provided to students in advance. Students are responsible for ensuring that all other personal matters, **including work and appointments**, are scheduled and taken care of on days when they do not have a band commitment. If you believe a conflict is unavoidable, see the Director as far in advance as possible. Often times, arrangements can be made in order for students to be able to participate in rehearsals.

Marching Band Course Requirement

Marching band at Tallwood is a part of the student's overall first semester grade. **All Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble members are required to participate in marching band.** Those students who do not wish to participate in marching band may participate in the Concert Band and will have multiple alternate assignments to fulfill the marching portion of their grade.

Students may only be exempt from marching band if they participate on a Fall Varsity sports team at Tallwood High School, or if they are enrolled in four or more Advanced Placement courses.

Band and Other Activities

Though eligible for exemption, there are band students who play a Varsity sport, are enrolled in four Advanced Placement classes, or are enrolled in the Global Studies and World Language Academy and take eight classes. The Director of Bands, Coaches and Teachers at Tallwood will work together so that students may participate in all of the activities they wish. However, students are responsible for working out a practice and rehearsal schedule with their coach and the Director in advance.

Communication

All communication of absences or tardies must be done in person or by phone between the student and the Director. Students may not tell another band member that they will be absent or tardy, even if their excuse is valid. Students must take responsibility for their missed rehearsal time by letting the Director know in advance.

If a student must miss a rehearsal because of illness, it is helpful if the student or student's parent calls to notify the Director that the student will be absent. The student's parent must also follow up with a written note confirming the validity of the student's absence.

Rehearsals

Unless otherwise specified, weekly marching band rehearsals are held Tuesdays from 2:30–5:30pm and Thursdays from 5:00–8:00pm. **Friday afternoon or Saturday rehearsals may be held on occasion.** The Percussion will rehearse Mondays from 2:30-4:30pm in addition to weekly rehearsals. Color Guard will also have an additional weekly rehearsal, day and time TBA.

Concert rehearsals for the Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Wind Ensemble will be scheduled for the weeks prior to a concert.

TARDINESS

Unexcused tardiness to rehearsal will not be tolerated. Thursday rehearsals are scheduled late in the day so students may fulfill their academic responsibilities after school. Unexcused tardiness will result in disciplinary action:

- **First Offense:** Student conference with the Director and 15 points off their participation grade.
- **Second Offense:** Phone call to the student’s parent and 15 points off their participation grade.
- **Third Offense:** Suspension from one performance, detention after school, 15 points off the student’s participation grade and the student can earn no higher than a “B” in band.

ABSENCES

An absence occurs when a student misses a rehearsal in its entirety, or when a student is more than 30 minutes late. Excused absences are limited to four reasons:

1. Personal illness which confines you to home (i.e. an excused absence from school)
2. A death in the family
3. Religious holidays (must be preapproved by the director at least two weeks in advance)
4. Approved prearranged absences submitted in writing at least two weeks in advance

All other absences are considered unexcused. Any student who misses a rehearsal may be prohibited from participating in the next performance if the Director and/or staff feels the student is not adequately prepared. Unexcused absences will result in disciplinary action:

- **First Offense:** Student conference with the Director, phone call to their parent, and 15 points off their participation grade.
- **Second Offense:** Suspension from one performance, 15 points off the student’s participation grade and no higher than a “B” in band.
- **Third Offense:** Expulsion from the group and a grade of 63/E in band.

Performances

Because every student is critical to the success of the group, **any student who misses a performance without cause will receive a grade of 63/E in band for that current marking period.**

Class Requirements and Expectations

The students at Tallwood High School are all young adults, and are expected to act as such. To ensure a healthy learning environment for all students, the following procedures, expectations and requirements are expected of all students. I will try and update grades on a weekly basis.

Seating Arrangements

Stands and chairs are set up in a specific seating arrangement, and should not be moved unless instructed by the director. Students should enter and exit the rows of chairs through the ends of each row, never the middle. For the safety of all students, books, instrument cases and other belongings should be placed out of the way in a designated area to prevent blocking the rows.

Class Time

Students are expected to enter and exit the band room or auditorium in a timely and orderly fashion. Gum, food and drinks (except water) are not allowed and will be confiscated. Repeated violations will result in a disciplinary referral.

When the director takes the podium, students are expected to be in their seats and prepared to start class with their instrument, music and other class materials. Any student not in their seat on time and prepared will be counted tardy and their grade reduced.

Instrument Storage

When not in use during class, instruments should be stored in their assigned shelves or lockers. The band room will be open to students each morning and after school to bring and take home their instrument. No personal items should be stored in the instrument storage closet. **Any personal items found in the instrument storage closet will be thrown away.**

All students are expected to take their instrument and music home each day. It is impossible to practice at home when your materials are left at school! Students who have large instruments will be provided a second instrument to keep at home, if one is available.

Hall/Restroom Passes

Students are not permitted to leave during class unless it is an emergency. All rehearsal time is valuable, and without a full class, the ensemble suffers. In the event of an emergency, students must fill out the yellow sheet before approaching the director for permission to leave.

In accordance with Tallwood High School's policy, no student will be excused to go to guidance or an administrator without a written pass from guidance or an administrator.

Equipment and Equipment Care

Every member of the THS Band assumes responsibility for the equipment they use throughout the year, regardless of whether that equipment is owned by the school or the student. To prevent unintentional damage, no student is permitted to use, play or try another student's equipment at any time any time. Additionally, there are specific guidelines for the upkeep of each instrument.

Some materials (*indicated by an asterisk**) may need to be purchased if the student does not own them.

Flute

Instruments should be swabbed after each use using a cleaning rod with a cotton handkerchief.

Instruments should be polished before each performance with a polishing cloth.

Clarinet

Instruments should be swabbed after each use and prior to each performance using a cotton cleaning swab*.

Recommendations*

Mouthpiece: *Vandoren B45 or Hite Premier*

Reed: *Mitchell Lurie or Vandoren*

Ligature: *Rovner*

Alto and Tenor Sax

Instruments should be swabbed after each use using a cleaning swab* or Pad Saver*, mouthpiece brush* and neck brush*.

Recommendations*

Mouthpiece (Alto): *Hite Premier, Meyer 5M Hard Rubber, Otto Link 5 Star or Selmer C Star*

Mouthpiece (Tenor): *Hite Premier, Meyer 6M Hard Rubber or Otto Link 6 Star*

Reed: *Vandoren Blue or Java*

Ligature: *Rovner*

Brass Instruments

All valves and slides must be kept lubricated with valve oil* and slide cream*. Tubing should be cleaned once a week using warm water and a snake brush*. Mouthpieces should be cleaned once a week using a mouthpiece brush*. Instruments should be polished before each performance using a polishing cloth*. Sousaphones should remove the mouthpiece, bits and neck prior to putting the instrument in its case.

Color Guard

Flags, weapons, and props must be cleaned of dirt, mud and water after each use. Tape should only be applied as instructed by a staff member. Equipment and costumes should be kept clean and will be assigned and monitored by the Color Guard Staff and Band Boosters. All equipment and costumes must be returned at the conclusion of the marching season.

Grade Evaluation

Grades are determined in accordance with Virginia Beach City Public Schools' Grading Scale.

Mr. Rossettini's Philosophy

A cooperative attitude, good behavior and consistent improvement are crucial to a healthy learning environment for all students. Students must truly try to make less than a C in band. However, each year students fail band because they will not follow the rules and meet class expectations. I will try and update grades on a weekly basis.

Each student's attitude and performance affects the entire ensemble. As a team, our efforts must be cooperative or everyone suffers. The student's grade reflects both their attitude and effort.

Performance Grades

All students will have at least two performance grades each grading period. These grades may be completed in a variety of ways, including any the following activities.

- **Regular private study with an approved tutor.** The tutor must fill out an evaluation sheet.
- **Class Recital.** Recital may be performed as a solo, duet or small ensemble.
- **All-District Band Event.** All students in Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble are required to audition, unless excused by the director.
- **Tallwood High School Bands Concert.** In appropriate attire INCLUDING FOOTWEAR for boys and girls.
- **District Band Assessment**
- **Graduation Performance**
- **Term Paper.** Papers may be on an approved performance-related or music technology related topic. All papers must be three pages, typed and double spaced.

In addition, all students will perform individually—sometimes in front of the class—as a graded exercise, to ascertain their current performance level or to determine section seating. These auditions usually include major scales (including rudiments for percussionists), assigned music and sight-reading.

- **A** – Prepared musically and reporting on time
 - **B** – Not knowing music, being 5 minutes tardy or leaving 5 minutes early
 - **C** – 10 minutes late or leaving 10 minutes early, and not knowing music
 - **D** – 15 minutes late or leaving 15 minutes early, and not knowing music
 - **E** – More than 15 minutes late or leaving more than 15 minutes early, and not knowing music
- Any student receiving an E for a performance may not earn higher than a C in the class.**

Earning Your Grade

- 10% - Quizzes
 - 10% - Extra Rehearsals
 - 20% - Class Participation
 - 20% - Tests/Projects
 - 20% - Practice Records
 - 20% - Performances/Auditions
- *Parents will be contacted for students with a D or E at progress reports and report cards.

Classroom Grades

Any student who comes to rehearsal without their instrument will receive a zero for the day. Students whose instruments are being repaired must bring a note from the repair shop (not their parent), and must make up any missed work.

- **A** – Prepared for class with all music and materials
- **B** – Prepared with music, but no pencil
- **C** – Not prepared with music, but has a pencil
- **E** – Not prepared for class, with no music and no pencil

Attendance

Students are expected to attend all scheduled rehearsals and performances, and will be graded according to the attendance policy set forth in this handbook. Band is an academic course, and will be treated as such.

At several points during the year, all band classes come together to perform as a group at school-sponsored special events. All students are required to perform at these events, including concerts, District Band Assessment, and graduation. Any student who does not perform at graduation, excluding graduating seniors, will receive a grade of 63/E for the semester.

Make-Up Work

Any student excused from a rehearsal or performance will be required to make up any work they missed. Make-up work must be completed within one week of the absence, or within one week of returning to school from an extended absence.

A missed performance or rehearsal may be made up by either an individual performance of all music from the performance or rehearsal in front of the ensemble or the director, or an alternate assignment at the director's discretion.

Practice Records

All students must fill out a practice record each week. Students are required to practice five times per week for at least 30 minutes *each day*. Accepted practice days begin at 30 minutes: 45 minutes one day does cover 15 minutes the next day. After school rehearsals—such as marching band, jazz ensemble or concert rehearsals—may be counted as practice time for that day. Performance days do not count toward practice records.

- **A** – Turned in on time with five days at 30 minutes each
- **B** – One day late or four days at 30 minutes each
- **C** – Two days late or three days at 30 minutes each
- **E** – Three days late, or fewer than three days at 30 minutes each

What Do I Need to Pay For?

Students are given ample fundraising opportunities to help offset the costs of band participation. Payment plans are also available, and can be arranged through the Band Boosters and Director of Bands. Checks may be made payable to *Tallwood High School Band Boosters*.

Marching Band Fee

\$350 - Returning marchers

\$375 – First year marchers and Color Guard

Payments due:

June 1 - \$50 deposit for all marchers

July 1 - \$50 payment for all marchers

August 1 - \$50 payment for returning marchers; \$75 payment for new marchers and Color Guard

September 3 – \$50 payment for all marchers

October 1 - \$50 payment for all marchers

November 1 - \$50 payment for all marchers

December 2 - \$50 payment for all marchers

*This fee helps offset the cost for each student's instruction, music, drill, copyrights, marching t-shirt, marching band hoodie (for first-year marchers), and other marching band supplies. New hoodies are \$30 for returning marchers. **All** students will be required to provide their own long, black socks.*

Shoe Fee - Due August 23, 2019

\$35 - Shoe Fee (*for first-year marchers*) All first-year marchers are required to purchase Drill Master marching band shoes for a one-time fee. The Band Boosters will fit students and order the shoes during the first week of band camp. **Any returning marchers that need to purchase new shoes will also need to be fitted and pay the \$35 shoe fee.**

Ensemble Fee - Due October 30, 2019

\$30 - All students in the band program must pay the Ensemble Fee, per individual ensemble (Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, etc.). This fee helps offset the costs of participating in All-Virginia sanctioned events, music, clinicians, and other concert supplies.

Concert Attire Fee - Due November 30, 2019

\$30 - Rent a tuxedo or concert dress from the Band Boosters. **Boys and girls are required to provide their own appropriate footwear. Boys are required to provide their own long black dress socks.**

\$5 (optional) – Boys may rent a gently used, professionally laundered tuxedo shirt from the program for the duration of the concert season. Sizes are subject to availability.

Students have the option to purchase or rent their concert attire from the Band Boosters. Gentlemen must provide their own winged-tip tuxedo shirt with studs. Students must return all rented items by the end of the school year or the student will be financially responsible for replacing each item.

Financial Obligation

Tallwood High School requires that all students to fulfill their financial obligation to the band program by the set due dates. **Any student not fulfilling their obligation will not be eligible to:**

- Participate in any band trip or special ensemble
- Receive their schedule for the following year
- Receive any band awards
- Participate in the graduation ceremony or receive their diploma

What to Know for Band Camp

Time

Students should be *on the field*, ready to play at the scheduled times. Arrive early so you have time to prepare and get to the field on time.

Meals

Students will NOT be able to leave the school for meals. We recommend you pack a cooler; we may be offering the concession stand again.

Attire

Students must wear shorts, a white t-shirt, socks and sneakers. Jeans, flip-flops and sandals are not allowed. Students may wear a lightweight hat (no Do-Rags) and should bring a spare pair of socks in case of rain. **If dressed inappropriately, you will be asked to find a change of clothes. If you cannot, one will be provided for you; the Drama department has plenty of costumes!**

What to Bring

- Sunscreen. *Apply before you arrive in the morning.*
- Deodorant. *Reapply after lunch if needed.*
- Lip Balm. *Especially for brass players.*
- Instrument and Accessories. *Valve oil (Brass), five good reeds and cork grease (Woodwinds), Real Feel or Vic Firth drum pad (Percussionists).*
- Music Lyre and Flip Folder. *Mandatory for all students. Must be labeled with your name and section.*
- Durable Black 3-Ring Binder and 50 Plastic Page Protectors. *Binder should be labeled with your name and section.*
- 2 Pencils and 2 Highlighters. *One yellow highlighter and one other color.*
- Reusable Water Bottle. *All students must have a bottle labeled with their name and section. (NOT a recycled plastic bottle!)*
- Marching Band Music and Drill. *You will get one copy! Extra copies are \$1 per page!*

Staff

Heather Craft and **Seth Foster** will work with the woodwinds. Heather is a former drum major and alumna of Tallwood High School. Seth is a former drum major and alumnus of Tallwood High School.

Katie Baynor, Brendan Johnston, and Ben Liebman will work with the Brass. Katie received her Bachelor of Music in Music Education from James Madison University, with a concentration in trumpet. Brendan is a former sousaphone section leader and alumnus of Tallwood High School. Ben Liebman is an alumni of the Cadets and Bluecoats Drum and Bugle Corps.

Ronnie Collins will once again be leading up the visual component of the Marching Lions Guard. Ronnie has been an integral part of the band program since joining us 6 years ago.

Additional staff will be hired over the summer and will fulfill any needs required by the band program.

Schedule

Bear in mind that this schedule is tentative and all dates and times are subject to change. Mr. Rossettini will make every effort to give ample notice for any unexpected schedule changes. For the most up-to-date schedule, check the calendar on TallwoodBand.com.

Band Camp

August 12-16

1:00-9:00pm

*Meal from 5:00-6:00pm**

August 19-23

1:00-9:00pm

*Meal from 5:00-6:00pm**

August 26-27

5:00-8:00pm

Thursday, August 29 – First home football game!

Come see what the students have been working on for two weeks! More information to come.

** More information on meals in the What to Know For Band Camp section.*

Marching Season

August 29

Football vs. Green Run

September 3

Drumline plays for first day of school

September 21

Competition at Princess Anne High School

September 28

Competition at Hermitage High School (Henrico, VA)

October 4

Football vs. Kempsville (Homecoming)

October 12

Competition TBA

October 18

Football vs. First Colonial

October 24

State Marching Assessment, Warhill High School, Williamsburg

October 26

7th Annual Tallwood Invitational

November 1

Football vs. Kellam

November 8

Football vs. Princess Anne (Senior Night)

November 11

Veterans Day Parade @ Oceanfront

December 7

Holiday Parade @ Oceanfront

The Marching Lions Uniform

The uniform of the Marching Lions has become a symbol of the discipline and dedication of its members. To maintain this reputation, there are certain rules for wearing the uniform properly. These rules are meant to promote pride and respect in those privileged to wear it.

Uniform Parts

All major pieces of the uniform are marked with a number. Students are responsible for remembering their numbers and ensuring that all pieces stay together.

SHOES AND SOCKS

Students should write their name on the inside of both shoes. Shoes should be kept clean and should be polished before performances. High black socks with no logo will be worn with the Drill Master marching shoes.

HAT, GLOVES AND GAUNTLETS

Gloves should be kept clean throughout the season. Any student with long hair must tie their hair back and put it up inside their hat. The marching hat must be kept upright at all times. When the band is not wearing hats, students should remove their gloves, place them in the hat and rest the hat on the bleachers. *Students should not carry their hat by the plume or the strap.*

JACKET AND PANTS

Students must make every effort to keep jackets and pants clean throughout the season. Students should wear the current season's marching band t-shirt as the top layer under the jacket. Only the current marching band t-shirt is acceptable as the top layer.

Uniform Guidelines

When not being worn, uniforms will be hung properly on each student's designated hanger. If any uniform is not hung properly, the **band** will not be dismissed until it is fixed. Students will be held financially responsible for damage to or loss of any part of the uniform.

HOME COMING

If any band student is elected to Homecoming Court, they will be required to march in their marching band uniform during halftime of the Homecoming game. They should be prepared to wear the Marching Lions uniform as part of the Homecoming Court.

While in Uniform

- **No unapproved jewelry**
- No playing except in an organized fashion led by the Director or Drum Major(s)
- No profanity, obscene gestures or shouting
- No displays of affection
- No smoking, spitting, or chewing gum
- No running

Marching Performance Procedures

During performances, each student not only represents themselves and the band, but also Tallwood High School, the community and the Virginia Beach Public Schools System. Students are expected to act like the young adults they are. **All students will abide by the Virginia Beach Public Schools Code of Conduct and Cell Phone Policy.**

Before We Depart

- Students will arrive in the band room at the designated time.
- The band staff will perform a brief inspection of each student as they exit the band room to load the buses.
- Unless the Director instructs otherwise, all students will wear the uniform in its entirety. Hats and gloves will be removed only if instructed by the Director.

While We're There

- All marching band members, including the Color Guard, will sit in their assigned section ranks and may not switch seats. Upon entering the stands, students will remain standing until the Director seats them.
- Non-band members including alumni are not permitted to sit within the band. Reserved seating is available around the perimeter of the band.
- Throughout the duration of the performance, students will follow any and all directions given by the Drum Major(s) and Director.
- The Band will act as a single unit; all members will stand and sit together as instructed.
- When in the stands at football games, pay attention and be ready to play at a moment's notice. We will not play when someone is injured, or when playing might interfere with the game.
- Every consideration will be made for restroom breaks. Students must ask permission before using the restroom and must be accompanied by a chaperone or another band member.

When We Leave

- After the performance, students will remain seated. The Director will dismiss them row-by-row.
- Once we return home, the band will be dismissed once all equipment is properly stored, uniforms are properly hung and students are seated and quiet in the band room

Questions?

Have questions? If you have a question, please do not hesitate to ask. The only bad question is the one that is not asked. This list should help direct you to the correct person.

Director of Bands

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Marching Band Staff

Woodwinds: Heather Craft, Seth Foster
Brass: Katie Baynor, Brendan Johnston, Ben Liebman
Percussion: Jonathan Wudijono, Christian Madsen
Color Guard: Ronnie Collins

Band Boosters

President: Renee McCroskey
Vice President: Jen Rossettini
Vice President (Fundraising): Davida Wright
Treasurer: Rebecca Edwards
Secretary: Melissa Kelley

Website

Ben Carr
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Emergency Treatment Form

Medical Information, Release of Liability and General, Parental Permission Form for Practices and Field Trips

Contact Information

Child

Last	First	Middle
Street Address	City	Zip Code
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Age	Student Email Address

Father

Name	Home Phone	Cell Phone	Work Phone
Street Address	City	Zip Code	Father Email

Mother

Name	Home Phone	Cell Phone	Work Phone
Street Address	City	Zip Code	Mother Email

Your Child's Medical Information

Please attach a copy of your insurance card.

Insurance

Insurance Provider	Policy Number
Policy Holder's Name	

Doctor

Family Doctor/Clinic	Doctor Phone	Date of Last Tetanus Shot
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Please check any conditions or allergies your child has.

√	Condition	√	Condition	√	Condition	√	Allergies
	Asthma		Mononucleosis		Hearing Impairment		Aspirin
	Lung Disease		Low Blood Pressure		Nose Bleeds		Penicillin
	Ear Infection		Head Aches		Bladder Infections		Sulfa Drugs
	Epilepsy		Migraines		Kidney Infections		Tetracycline
	High Blood Pressure		Motion Sickness		Special Diet		Hay Fever
	Dizziness		HIV				Insect Stings
	Emotion Disorder		Diabetes				Lactose
	Sickle Cell Anemia		Hepatitis				Peanuts
	Convulsions		Hypoglycemia				Latex
	Heart Disease		Polio				
	Kidney Disease		Fainting Spells				

Student Name _____

Over the Counter and Ongoing Medications

I give chaperones and sponsors permission to administer the following over-the-counter medications to my child. Please check "YES" or "NO"

Medication	YES	NO
Tylenol		
Ibuprofen (Advil, etc.)		
Aspirin		
Motrin		
Midol		
Diarrhea Medication		
Immodium		
Upset Stomach Medication		
Pepto Bismol		
Tums		
Dramamine/Motion Sickness Medication		

Please list the name and dosage of any medication your child takes on an ongoing basis, including over-the-counter medications, prescriptions and inhalers.

Please list any medication your child **cannot** take:

Supplying Medications

Parents or Guardians must provide all prescription medication. Parents or Guardians must also provide any non-prescription medication that must be taken on a daily basis. These medications must be left in their original bottle or container and placed in a Ziplock-type bag. Inside the bag, please include an index card with the student's name, medication name and clear instructions for administering the medication.

Parent or Guardian Authorization

In the event of sickness or accident, I grant the sponsors and chaperones permission to seek any and all medical attention for the above named child. In the absence of a parent or guardian, I grant permission to any licensed medical facility or physician to provide all needed medical care and treatment to my child.

Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Father

Print

Signature

Date

Mother

Print

Signature

Date

Uniform Commitment Sheet

Student Information

Last First Middle Grade

Instrument(s)

Replacement Costs: The replacement costs for each piece of the uniform are updated yearly and are listed below.

MARCHING BAND

Description	Cost
Plume	\$16.75
Shako (hat)	\$30.95
Shako Box	\$8.95
Beret	\$7.95
Bibber Pants	\$49.95
Jacket (custom)	\$274.94
Baldric/Sash (custom)	\$46.34
Gauntlet – purple (custom)	\$46.34
Gauntlet – black (custom)	\$46.34
Shoes (Drillmasters)	\$38.95
Gloves Suregrip – black/white	\$2.20
Gloves – Half finger	\$2.60
Tshirt	\$10
Hoodie	\$30
Mesh Drawstring Bag (18x24)	\$6.99

CONCERT BAND

Description	Cost	Cleaning
Strung Pearl Necklace	\$14	N/A
Gown (Denise sweetheart neckline)	\$81	\$18.98
Tuxedo Coat	\$181	\$20.76
Tuxedo Trousers	\$51	\$18.98
Tuxedo Shirt (wingtip collar)	\$28	\$5.29
Dress Shirt (black)	\$31	\$5.29
Necktie – purple (poly satin)	\$21	\$13.57
Bowtie – black (poly satin)	\$13	\$13.57
Bowtie – purple (poly satin)	\$18	\$13.57
Bowtie – gold (lame')	\$21	\$13.57
Cummerbund – black (poly satin)	\$17	\$14.29
Cummerbund – purple (poly satin)	\$17	\$14.29
Cummerbund – gold (lame')	\$19	\$14.29
Tuxedo Shirt Studs – black (set of 4)	\$23	N/A
Cufflinks – black (classic round)	\$26.36	N/A

Uniform Agreement

We, the undersigned, do hereby, agree, in full, to abide by this *Contract*, assuming full responsibility for each issued marching and/or concert uniform items care and maintenance, including, but not limited to, financial liability for the repair of uniform item(s) due to any and all damages caused by misuse, negligence and/or careless treatment and behavior, and dry-cleaning by a professional business, and replacement for any unreturned or missing uniform item(s).

Parent Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date Marching
Uniform Received

Student Signature

Date Concert Uniform
Received

THS Band Contract

In order to represent Tallwood High School in the school, the local community, Virginia Beach Public Schools, the commonwealth, and the region, a commitment above and beyond normal class work is required from the band students and their parent(s) or guardian(s).

I/We, the parent(s) or guardian(s) of a Tallwood High School student, understand that he/she will be participating in the Tallwood High School Band and that participation carries significant time and financial obligations.

I/We acknowledge that we will be required to pay the following applicable fees in full by the dates specified and that payment plans are available and may be arranged through the THSBB Executive Board and Director of Bands:

- **Band Fee:** \$350 for returners, \$375 for new members and Color Guard; *Deposit (\$50) Due June 1, 2019; \$50 payments due July 1, August 1 (\$75 for new marchers and Color Guard), September 3, October 1, November 1, December 2.*
- **Shoe Fee:** *Due August 23, 2019.* \$35 for new marching band shoes
- **Ensemble Fee:** *Due October 30, 2019.* \$30 per concert ensemble my child participates in during the 2019-2020 school year;
- **Concert Attire Fee:** *Due November 30, 2019.* \$30 for those renting from the Band Boosters.

The band program is well aware that all courses required for graduation take priority before a band class is scheduled for the student's course load. All accommodation will be met in order for band to be a part of your class schedule, after required course requirements are scheduled, even if that means you have to change ensembles. By signing this contract I understand that my elective priority, regardless of my course request, now becomes Band.

I/We acknowledge that if our student withdraws from marching band, but participates for the first full week of band camp we are required to pay 50 percent of the Band Fee.

I/We acknowledge Tallwood High School's policy for financial obligations to the band program and acknowledge that any student not fulfilling their obligation will not be eligible to:

- Participate in any band trip or special ensemble/activity
- Receive any awards from the band program
- Participate in Tallwood's Graduation ceremony

I/We the undersigned acknowledge that we have read and agree to the policies set forth in the Tallwood High School Band Handbook.

Band Member

Last Name	First Name	Parent(s) Email Address
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Grade	Instrument
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Parent(s) or Guardian(s)

Last Name	First Name(s)	Email Address
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Street	Zip	Phone
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Signatures

Parent/Guardian (sign)	Date
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Band Member (sign)	Date
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