

Dorman Band Guidelines 2009

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 \$250. \$200 for additional family members living at same address. This does not include the cost of a required marching band trip or shoes/gloves.
- A non-refundable \$100 deposit will be due May 26, 2009. The other non-refundable payments are due July 23 (\$100), August 13 (\$50) and September 17 (remaining trip \$). 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.
- May 19, 21, 26, and 28 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 21st in the Dorman High School band room.
- "Open House" 7:00 PM on Thursday, July 23, 2009 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 9th Grade 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*=====

2009 Letter of Intent for the Dorman High School Marching Band.

Name _____ 2009-10 Grade _____
Please print.
 Instrument(s) _____ Home Phone _____
 Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Student Date of Birth _____

____ I have read the above guidelines and I want to participate in the 2009 Dorman Marching Band.

Mom cell _____
 Dad cell _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____
 Parent Signature _____ Date _____