

Mabank Jr. High School Panther Color Guard Class 2022-2023

Expectations Handout

Welcome to the Mabank Jr. High Color Guard class! Our goal is to have a great time, have fun, and learn the skills and techniques on the Color Guard equipment. In addition, we view this class as a training ground for becoming a member of the HS Color Guard in 9th grade. The purpose of this handout is to explain the guidelines and expectations for the Fall Semester. This sheet, along with the MJH campus rules, will help Color Guard students and parents know what is expected.

Procedures and Band Hall Expectations

These procedures ensure that the Color Guard class will establish and maintain a tradition of excellence and will protect **students, equipment,** and our **facility.**

- No gum, food, or drink in the band hall. (Water bottle is fine)
- Students will always be careful and courteous in their actions. This included how they speak to each other and the instructors.
- Only Color Guard students are allowed in the band hall.
- Students are **required** to dress out each day in appropriate workout attire (see below/supplies)
- Students should not leave their equipment or any other personal items unattended.
- Students are expected to take their equipment home when assigned.
 - Practicing what we learn in class at home is **imperative** to your child's, and our group's success.
- Everyone will assist in keeping all areas neat and clean.

Behavior/Rehearsal Expectations

- **Students will contribute to creating a learning atmosphere.**
- Students will dress out and be punctual to class on a daily basis.
- All required materials are to be brought to class each day.
- Everyone will always speak to others, and instructors with respect.
- Always try to bring a positive attitude. This means try to come willing to learn and grow, and actively work to create an enjoyable atmosphere **especially when you are upset or are having a bad day.** Being a member of the Color Guard should be an amazing experience, and we want you to get the most you can out of it.

Performances

We are very fortunate to have our Jr. High Color Guard class. Not very many jr. high schools have this opportunity. When the instructors feel ready, performance opportunities will be scheduled. These may include Pep Rallies, Competitions, and/or other school functions. These dates will be given to the students/parents in a timely manner.

Grades/Rule Following

Grades will be taken weekly in the following 2 categories: Daily Participation and Performance Evaluations. If we have students who are not following these rules, we will take these steps: 1) Private conference with the student, 2) Call home to ask for parent help, 3) Write-up to the office, and 4) Removal from the program.

Equipment

Most of the equipment used will be school owned. Guard equipment is **EXPENSIVE** - and because of this, a great deal of care is needed in making sure it is returned in the same condition that it is issued in. ANY damage (including rips, tears, and marks) will be taken care of by the students' family.

DAILY SUPPLIES:

- Proper workout attire for ladies and gentlemen. (Shorts, leggings, and a top that will allow for movement & routine)
- Athletic shoes. (Tennis shoes or similar. No crocs, and students are not allowed to work out in just socks.)
- Guard Equipment: Flag/pole, rifle, saber, and/or any other props needed in class.

Uniform/Performance Attire

Depending on the event, students will wear a prescribed uniform that our instructors deem is appropriate. If there are any questions, please contact an instructor (contact information listed below).

Color Guard Fees/Dues

As we approach an opportunity to perform, a small amount will need to be collected from our parents in order to costume our participants. This amount will be no more than \$50.00. We are happy to take payments on this amount to help our families. More information will be provided as we get closer to a performance/competition.

****Please be aware, directors will handle issues as they arise, on a case by case basis.****

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me-

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By signing this, I certify that I have read and understand the expectations required for the Mabank Junior High Color Guard class.

Expectations Form-Signature - **Return by Friday, September 23, 2022**

Student Signature

Print Student Name

Parent Signature

Print Parent Name