



COLOR GUARD HANDBOOK 2025

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Summer Rehearsals

All *high school* students will be expected to complete summer assignments.

Google Classroom assignments will post on Wednesdays throughout the summer from May 29th to July 3rd.

July 7th – 9th Guard Camp from 9am – 4pm (*9th -12th grades only*)

Weekly Sectional Rehearsal

The color guard will have sectionals on Tuesdays from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm each week. This will last the entire marching band season. This will be our only sectional day therefore it is very important that members be present.

Attendance policy

It is extremely important that all color guard members be at every rehearsal. Throughout the season the color guard is learning choreography to add to the marching band show. Just missing one rehearsal can put a member very behind; consequently putting that member in jeopardy of performing. Student will be assessed at the end of each week to determine if they are able to perform.

Please text Mr. Driver at 901-338-6075 during the season if your student is going to be absent.

Rehearsal Attire

Members will wear matching tops on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays. During band camp students will need to wear a blue colored top every day. Our matching practice tops will be available for purchase through an online store furnished by ***HAPPI CHICK***.

Attitude Policy

All members are expected to maintain positive relationships with each other and staff members at all times. Bullying of any kind WILL NOT be tolerated. Members who break this policy will be kept out of performances and possibly dismissed from the color guard.

Will I be in every minute of the show?

Not every member will be in every minute of the show. Much like a Broadway show you might see on stage, members will go on and off the field to add to the overall production. Some times younger members maybe asked to sit out a short section of the show. Unlike the wind players in the band, color guard members have often just begun to learn the skills necessary to perform in the show. In order to support younger members growth without overwhelming them we will often sit them out of a small section.

Hair and Make-up

During the marching band season ALL members are expected to keep their hair a natural color. This means no unusual colors, i.e. Barney purple, fire engine red, shamrock green, etc. Girls are also asked to keep their hair long. Members must ask before doing anything to their hair.

Every member will be responsible for purchasing a matching lipstick and eye shadow that they will wear for all performances.

High School Guard & Band Fee

Every ***HIGH SCHOOL*** member of the Hernando Color Guard will be required to pay an extra \$150. This fee will be due July 15th.

Every ***HIGH SCHOOL grades 9-12*** are expected to meet the financial obligation of \$1200 as outlined in the band handbook.

8th Grade Guard Fee

To participate in the **2025 8th grade color guard** students will be expected to pay **\$650**.

This cost will cover uniform, shoes, unitard, practice flag, travel tank & shorts.

Students can pay the entire fee at once or break it up into the following payments.

- June 10, 2025 - \$225
- July 15, 2025 - \$225
- August 12, 2025 - \$200

HERNANDO COLOR GUARD CONTRACT 2025

I, _____ (student print name), hereby certify that I have read and understand the contents of this handbook. I recognize and fully understand the rules and regulations by which I may participate, and I will abide by the rules set forth by this handbook to insure a safe and successful Marching Band Season. I accept the condition that my commitment will create a position specifically designed for me in the **2025** show. I therefore enter into this contract in good faith that I will fulfill the entire duration of the competition season. I do not enter into this contract carelessly or superficially, but with sincere **commitment, dedication, and integrity.**

Student Signature	Date
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I, _____ (parent), hereby certify that I have read and understand the contents of this handbook. I recognize and understand the rules and regulations by which my child may participate, and I acknowledge that he/she will abide by the rules set forth by this handbook. I understand that if for some reason my student does not finish the season there will be **NO REFUND** of fees.

Parent Signature	Date
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