

SOLO & ENSEMBLE

- Any BHS band student may participate in either a solo or an ensemble.
- No students from other schools may participate in BHS ensembles.
- Solos must be accompanied by a pianist which student hires, unless the solo is labeled unaccompanied.
- Solos must be a minimum of 2 minutes.
- Ensembles must be a minimum of 2 minutes.
- Chamber choirs must be a minimum of 4 minutes and must have at least 9 people.
- Any student may participate in a total of 3 events.
- They may also participate in chamber choirs and not count towards the 3-event total. **NO STUDENT MAY PARTICIPATE IN MORE THAN 2 CHOIRS.**
- Ensemble members may NOT be replaced once the event goes to district so make sure all your members have dates free for state just in case.
- No ensembles may change any members from state if they are nominated for MYAF
- ***If Solo & Ensemble is hosted at Brighton, all performers must commit to at least one volunteer shift during the event. This is in addition to the annual required volunteering. As a performer, points will be awarded for shifts in excess of those required.***

MARCHING BAND UNIFORM

It is a privilege to wear the BMB and Color Guard uniforms. All parts of the uniform must be worn at each performance. If your uniform does not meet the standard required, you are subject to being removed from a performance or not traveling with the band. These uniforms are a symbol of pride and will be worn accordingly. You must take great care of your uniform! If a band member is seen treating their uniform incorrectly at any time, the student is subject to a loss of performance grade. Here are some dos and don'ts that will always help you and your uniform look great:

- DO NOT remove any material from the uniform yourself.
- Transport your uniform in its garment bag (if it requires transportation) and your hat in the hat box, every time!
- When at a performance, the uniform should be on the student at ALL times. Under no circumstance is a band member to give ANY part of their uniform to another person. Students found in possession of uniform parts not assigned to them will be subject to disciplinary action.
- Take extra time and care when hanging up your uniform. Pants hang folded on the crease, not the seat. Always store your hat in its hat box.
- Hair should not touch the collar. Cosmetics and jewelry are to be kept to a minimum while in uniform. Required marching band uniform shoes must be worn.

Gloves and shoes are purchased by individual members from the band. Care for these items (wash the gloves!) and they will last you for most of, if not your entire marching band career.

Description of Uniform, Equipment, and Associated Costs

1. Summer Uniform (required)
 - a. Marching Shoes: \$40 new, \$10 used (if available)
 - b. White/Pink Gloves: \$3/pair
 - c. Orange dry-fit shirt: \$10 (XS-XL), 2X = \$12, 3X = \$13
 - d. Logo Athletic Shorts: \$25
2. Flip-folder/lyre combo (holds your music to your instrument)
 - a. Flip folder: \$5
 - b. Lyre: \$5
 - c. Folder/Lyre Combo for Flute, Trombone or Trumpet: \$10
3. School-owned instrument rental fee (pays for annual sanitation/maintenance)
 - a. \$50 per instrument, \$100 max.
4. Gameday meals (booster-organized)
 - a. \$10 per game (not Homecoming)
5. Marching Band Uniform Refundable Deposit fee (one-time, new members only)
 - a. \$50
6. Marching Band Uniform Dry Cleaning (annual)
 - a. \$20
7. Concert Uniform fees
 - a. Freshmen: \$10
 - b. Soph/Jun/Sr. Tuxedo fee: \$20

Soph/Jr/Sr. Dress fee (optional): \$60 new, \$30 used (if available)



BHS MARCHING/CONCERT BANDS UNIFORM and EQUIPMENT COSTS

A \$50 MARCHING BAND UNIFORM DEPOSIT IS EXPECTED FROM ALL FRESHMEN, NEW STUDENTS, AND ANY STUDENT WHO USED THEIR DEPOSIT TO REPAIR A UNIFORM PIECE THE PREVIOUS MARCHING SEASON, AT THE TIME OF INITIAL UNIFORM FITTING IN AUGUST. Like a textbook deposit, this deposit will follow the student throughout their participation in the BHS band program and will be refunded upon request or donated to the Band, less any loss, damage, or unpaid cleaning fees, when the student graduates (No matter when the student leaves the program the refund does not take place until the end of their senior year). **Please note that most damage occurs when a student walks through the hem in the marching band pants as a result of wearing the pants too long or too low. The fee for a walked through hem is \$50. Be sure pants are hemmed and worn properly!**

An annual uniform cleaning fee of \$20 will be assessed to each student

Uniform fitting will take place according to the schedule listed on the Marching Band Tentative Calendar (p.5). Uniforms for both marching band and concert bands will be fitted at the same time.

The Summer Uniform (orange dry-fit shirt and black shorts) is required. These are sold during uniform fitting and throughout the season as needed. Black marching shoes and black socks (covering the ankles) are also required for any performances in which the summer uniform is worn (band camp show, homecoming assembly, Memorial Day parade, etc.). A plain white t-shirt is to be worn under the marching uniform. The required black marching shoes that are to be worn with both uniforms must also be purchased at the time of uniform fitting (\$40 new/ \$10 used, if available). Tall black socks must be worn with black shoes (*no footies or ankle length socks are allowed*). **ANY non-standard (as listed above) attire will result in student being sent home/reduction in participation grade.**

*****There is to be no eating or drinking in uniform unless provided by Boosters*****

BHS MARCHING BAND UNIFORM CARE INSTRUCTIONS

UNIFORM FIT

PANTS: The pant length should end at the bottom of the ankle. The crease should not have a fold/bend in it when you stand at attention. Wear your shoes when measuring pant length.

JACKET: The sleeves are to come to the bottom of the wrist. This may be shorter than you normally wear.

HAT: NO HAT "SLAPPING". Keep hat and plume (in tube) in the hatbox when not wearing. To put plume into tube, insert plumes TOP FIRST. This will ensure feathers lay in the right direction. Wipe hats clean at the beginning of the season, and as needed throughout the season.

COLORGUARD & TWIRLERS: DO NOT wash, dry, spray, dry-clean, hem, cut, staple, tape, or alter in any way. See CG Coach with questions or concerns.

UNIFORM ALTERATIONS

HEMS: Sew the hems in by hand. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES should the fabric be cut, or the original hems in sleeves or pants removed. NO STAPLES, GLUE, TAPE, STITCH WITCHERY/HEM TAPE, OR SEWING MACHINE HEMS.

UNIFORM ACCESSORIES

*Black shoes (POLISHED)

*Black Socks (**TALL- NO ANKLES SHOWING!**)-When cold, wear heavy socks under black

*Summer uniform shirt/shorts worn under marching uniform

*White Gloves (CLEAN)

*Bars/Stars as assigned

*Raincoat (bring to every game, even if no rain is forecasted)

- Hang up uniform when not wearing. If it is wet, hang it to dry **OUTSIDE** the garment bag. (Wet uniforms will mold if not allowed to dry properly!)
- A garment bag will be issued to all new members and will be used for the duration of student's years in band. If needed, a replacement garment bag will be provided for a \$15 fee
- Take your uniform and raincoat home after every performance. Do not leave any part of uniform or raincoat at BHS unless other instructions are given
- Student is responsible for anything lost, damaged, or stolen
- Hem sleeves and trousers with a hand sewn basting stitch, leaving original hem in.
- Keep track of your assigned uniform numbers
- NEVER Leave your uniform in a heap
- NEVER hem sleeves or trousers with staples, glue, tape of any kind, iron-on hem tape/stitch witchery, or by sewing machine.

BHS MARCHING BAND UNIFORM REPLACEMENT COSTS

All students are expected to take care of their uniforms.

Any damaged or lost parts ***will be charged to the student*** as follows:

Marching Coat \$425.00
Bibbers \$189.00
Shako \$80.00
Shako box \$10.95
Beret \$15.50
White Plume \$25.00
Pink Plume \$10.00
Plume Tube \$5.00
Trombone Cover \$35.00
Drum Major Coat \$395.00
Fur Busby \$125.00
Rain Parka \$130.00
Hanger for Uniform or Rain Parka \$5.00
Garment Bag \$15.00

PROPER UNIFORM FIT AND WEAR

Boys & Girls

Hair pinned up - not to fall
below collar

No long or oversized earrings

Tall black socks

Polished black shoes



Sleeves hemmed to bottom of
wrist.

White t-shirt, black shorts
underneath.

Clean white gloves

No break in pant crease

Hem to bottom of ankle

Temporary hem only