



BAND TRIP APPLICATIONS DUE

The deadline for application for the band trip is Thursday, November 29th. Please check with your child and make sure that the application was submitted into the deposit box in the band room. On-time application is the first indication that the band member is organized enough to with our group, and is important for setting the number of airline seats, hotel assignments, etc. We will consider anyone who does not turn in an application to be declining participation in the trip. If your family has extenuating circumstances, contact Mr. Snyder at csnyder@rtmsd.org.

MIDYEAR UNIFORM CLEANING

The Fall marching season has come to a close. A mid-year band and colorguard uniform cleaning is required. The instructions below must be followed **EXACTLY**. Failure to follow instructions could lead to damage to the uniform.

STUDENTS WILL BE HELD FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO HIS/HER UNIFORM.

In addition, if you feel that any part of your uniform has a factory defect (e.g. weak seam), please bring it to Mr. Snyder's attention so it can then be discussed with the uniform company representative.

CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUMENTALIST TUNIC (a.k.a JACKET):

Students are to remove the gold, square medallion from the uniform and keep it and the 2 fastener backs in a safe place. Seniors should also remove their senior medals.

- Place tunic on a hanger. **LABEL** the hanger with the student's name and tunic number. You can use a tag with a string or write the information on a piece of tape and fold the tape onto itself onto the hanger, or any other method. We just need the student's name and tunic number to be easy to read and attached to the hanger.
- Students are to bring their tunics to the band room and hang them on designated garment racks by **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7TH**.
- The tunics will be sent to a professional dry cleaner to be cleaned and pressed.

INSTRUMENTALIST PANTS:

- Turn pants inside-out before washing.
- Use detergent that is **NOT** Chlorine based (NO mention of chlorine or bleach on the label). However, detergents with "bleach alternatives" are OK.
- **DO NOT** use fabric softeners or detergents with fabric softeners.
- Wash in COLD WATER ON GENTLE CYCLE.
- HANG TO DRY - AIR DRY ONLY. **DO NOT** PLACE IN DRYER OR USE A HOT IRON on the uniform.

COLORGUARD UNIFORM:

- Turn uniform inside-out before washing
- Uniform must be HAND WASHED IN COLD WATER.
- Use detergent that is **NOT** Chlorine based (NO mention of chlorine or bleach on the label). However, detergents with "bleach alternatives" are OK.
- **DO NOT** use fabric softeners or detergents with fabric softeners.
- Avoid wringing-out areas with sequins.
- AIR DRY ONLY (preferably laying flat on a rack to dry). **DO NOT** PLACE IN DRYER OR USE A HOT IRON on the uniform.