

2019-20 SCARLET BRIGADE BAND ATTENDANCE POLICY as of 6/6/19

Note: This policy is under review by Mr. Swetland and is subject to revision for the 19-20 marching season.

The Scarlet Brigade Band has established a COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE. In order for us to perform and compete to the best of our ability, it is essential that all Scarlet Brigade marching band members be present at all rehearsals. Medical appointments should be scheduled on days that don't conflict with the marching band practice schedule. Work is not an excuse for missing marching band practice. Because we recognize that situations sometimes arise where one may have an acceptable reason to miss rehearsal, the following policy has been adopted and will be adhered to strictly:

A. Excused Absences

1. Illness: Marching band is not the place to be when you are ill. However, if you can come to school and attend your classes, you can attend practice. If you are at home, please call the band room prior to the start of practice to let us know you will not be there. Band Room phone number is (707) 400-5816.
2. Emergencies: These will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Keep Mr. Swetland informed of the situation.

B. Unexcused Absences

1. Work
2. Babysitting
3. Punishment for grades
4. Birthday parties
5. Family trips
6. Missing instruments: If your instrument is in the repair shop, turn in a receipt. Tell Mr. Swetland ahead of time to see if we have extra instruments.
7. Medical Appointments: Please schedule appointments on other days in the week that don't conflict with the marching band practice schedule.

C. Tardies

1. Three tardies equals one unexcused absence.
2. Every tardy must have a reasonable excuse.

D. Repercussions

1. Excused Absences – Excuses not accepted without parent signature/phone call.
 - a. First – no consequence
 - b. Second – no consequence
 - c. Third – you will not be allowed to march in next review under the discretion of the Director
2. Unexcused Absences
 - a. First – no consequence
 - b. Second – attend but not perform in next review
 - c. Third – attend but not perform in next review
 - d. Fourth – dismissal from marching band – no refunds
 - e. Friday before a review rehearsals- any practice missed on a Friday before a review will result in the member not marching that review
3. Tardies
 - a. Three tardies equals one unexcused absence
4. No Shows at Band Review
 - a. First – you will not be allowed to march in the next review
 - b. Second – your standing in marching band may be affected
5. Attend but not perform at Band Review – if you are required to attend but not perform at a band review you must wear a band shirt, help with preparations and be under the constant supervision of a Booster.