

# PMMU 2018 **Uniforms** Care & Etiquette

# **Marching Band Uniforms**

For a new marching band member, putting on a uniform for the first time can be very confusing! However, nothing can beat how awesome you'll look when every single band member is precisely dressed and performing at their best! The following sections will help you become familiar with how to wear and care for each part of the uniform.

Since the band is judged on appearance during performances, the goal is to have each marching member look the same. That means careful attention to the smallest detail...from tucking in shoelaces to having each hat brim sit at the bridge of the nose!

Your uniform identifies you as a Penn Manor Marching Unit member; it MUST be kept in excellent condition and must ALWAYS be worn properly. Uniforms are stored in band room, but it is each student's responsibility to have all of the parts for each performance. Students are also responsible for hanging up their uniforms properly after performances and making sure they have all required uniform parts. Please review this policy to better understand how to care for your uniform. Replacing your uniform is expensive.

### **Full Uniform:**

- Coat
- Hat/Box
- Garment bag (Booster issued)
- Bibbers
- Gauntlets

- Long Black Socks
- Gloves
- Dinkles
- Band Shirt /Show Shirt

Color guard costuming, makeup and hair decisions will be decided by Mrs. Baxter. Please see her for any questions.

# Marching Uniform 101

#### First of All,

Having new, innovative, custom designed marching band uniforms is a PRIVILEGE. Therefore, we must treat them with respect. This includes:

- Taking care of all uniform parts
- Always folding pants properly (along the crease)
- Hanging uniform properly after every performance
- If your uniform is not on your body or hanging, it is to be neatly folded the correct way.
- The only belongings in your garment bag are to be band uniform related (i.e: extra black socks)

#### Undergarments

The only approved undergarments the band will be allowed to wear under uniforms are as follows:

- Band or show shirt
- Thin, well fitting shorts. Please do not wear baggy shorts as this will change how your uniform fits. Biker shorts or another alternative also works.
- You may not wear jeans under your uniform.
- Everyone is advised to keep an extra pair of long black socks in either their garment bag, or school locker. Everyone forgets things occasionally, so have a back up!

## **Uniform Policies**

- 1. Band and color guard members with an incomplete uniform or costume may not be permitted to perform. (see pg. 1 for full uniform components)
- 2. The only food/ beverage students are allowed to consume while in full uniform is WATER!!
- 3. Always carry you hat in the upright position. We will carry our hats in our left arm (arm at a 90° angle), with fingers around brim of the hat.
- 4. Never touch the plume on your hat. Plumes will only be handled by parent volunteers wearing gloves.
- 5. Always report uniform malfunctions or damages to parent volunteers immediately.
- 6. Always leave your garment bag half zipped after a performance to allow the uniform to dry.
- 7. Band members may not wear makeup while in uniform as this may create stains in the white portion.
- 8. Never run, use profanity or yell/ scream in uniform.
- 9. Never sit on grass, mud or lean on school busses or walls while in uniform.
- 10. Always conduct yourself professionally while in uniform. Once again, wearing this uniform is a privilege. You are representing not only yourself, but the marching unit, your school and community. All of your actions while in uniform are are a reflection of these things. Please make good decisions :)