

PERKINS-TRYON MIDNIGHT REGIMENT COLOR GUARD RULES AND REGULATIONS

We are a part of the Perkins-Tryon Midnight Regiment which means **ALL** school and band rules apply. (Please see the Perkins-Tryon Band Student Handbook for more information.)

Color guard members must follow school policy and OSSAA rules for eligibility and grades.

Rehearsals:

- 🚩 We rehearse at the same times as the band rehearses (including band camp, morning band rehearsal, etc.) **as well as an additional color guard “sectional” which will be established by the Colorguard director.** The day of the week that rehearsal will be on will be determined and announced before the beginning of band camp. Additional rehearsals may be scheduled before approaching performances. You will be given appropriate notification.
- 🚩 Students are expected to come to rehearsal with the right attitude of sincerity, concentration, and dedication to working hard to achieve success with his/her teammates.
- 🚩 Attendance at all rehearsals and performances is mandatory. Excused absences will only be accepted when verified by a parent or doctor. If a student is well enough to attend class during the school day, the student is expected to attend rehearsal. An absence for another school-related activity should be cleared with both the sponsoring PTHS Staff person and a guard or band director a week in advance. Excuses such as work and homework are not acceptable. It is **NOT** acceptable to let a fellow color guard or band member know you will not be at rehearsal or a performance- you must contact a color guard or band director. Absenteeism in Guard is very difficult to recover from. You are expected to take time outside of rehearsal to catch up.
- 🚩 Please dress appropriately during rehearsal; this means no jeans, tight jean shorts, dress shoes, sandals, or dress attire. You should be wearing clothing that is easy to move in and tennis shoes/dance shoes to EVERY rehearsal.
- 🚩 Please be on time for rehearsals. In order for you to be on time, you need to be there early. Instructors will dismiss practice, not the clock. You are expected to stay for the entirety of rehearsal.
- 🚩 There will be absolutely **NO** cell phones out during rehearsal. Personal things need to be taken care of before rehearsal or during breaks. If there happens to

be an emergency, family members can contact a guard/band instructor.

- 🚩 No gum, candy, or other foods during rehearsal (unless otherwise specified). You will need to bring water to help keep you hydrated during breaks.
- 🚩 There will be no excessive talking at rehearsals.
- 🚩 No jewelry should be worn while participating in the color guard activity or while in uniform. This includes necklaces, earrings, rings, and watches. You will be permitted to wear small post earrings to rehearsals only.
- 🚩 All rehearsals are closed rehearsals; this means at no time should friends attend the rehearsal with you.
- 🚩 Please try and have a great time while being respectful and following the rules at the same time!

Equipment:

- 🚩 You will be responsible for any and all practice equipment. You must take your practice equipment home and bring it to every rehearsal.
- 🚩 You will be responsible for transporting your equipment to and from rehearsals and performances (carrying it over to the football stadium, loading it on to the trailer, etc.)
- 🚩 You are to make sure that your flags are rolled properly and that all other equipment is in its place at all times.

Fees:

- 🚩 There will be “color guard member fees” that needs to be paid in full by the last day of band camp (August 19, 2022). If this is a problem, please do not hesitate to talk to a guard/band director so we can work it out/discuss fundraising opportunities.
- 🚩 There will be a required uniform for performances that **may** need to be purchased. The cost will be determined later in the season and we are willing to

work with members on fundraising if need be. We will do the best we can do to keep the cost as low as possible.

Other:

There may be alternates in the color guard. At any time, an alternate may be placed into a performing position. Likewise a performing member may lose their performance spot and become an alternate due to grades, eligibility, discipline, excessive absences, poor work ethic and attitude, and/or level of performance.

The image of the PTHS Color Guard is very important. As a member/performer, I understand that I am representing the group at all times, even when not with the group, and that I must maintain the highest level of professionalism. Unacceptable behavior and inappropriate attire are not allowed. All rules and expectations in the PTHS Handbook apply at all times.

Each situation under these rules will be treated on an individual basis.

This set of rules has been designed to help ensure your safety. Although you may not 100% agree with the rules, please try to understand that they are here for your benefit.

Last updated: Sunday, April 10 , 2022.

STUDENT CONTRACT:

I have read and understood all the guidelines listed. I realize that failure to adhere to these guidelines could result in my removal from the Perkins-Tryon Color Guard Program for the remainder of the current school year. I understand that I represent my school and community at all times and will conduct myself according to school policy, the band’s membership handbooks, and these guard guidelines.

Student name: _____

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

***Please return this page to your band director by Tuesday, April 26th.**