

Paschal Winterguard 2017-2018 Information

The focus of November- April is winterguard. The group *will* continue to dance (dates to be announced of special events), but after school rehearsals will be devoted to winterguard. JV and Varsity will have different rehearsal days and times. Contests take place on Fridays or Saturdays (Varsity has one Sunday show). **ALL members need to be present at every show (even if their group is not performing at the contest)!**

WHAT IS WINTERGUARD?

Winterguard is the same as colorguard (flags, rifles, sabres, dance), but it takes place indoors in a gym. Each group learns only one routine for the season, and it is set to music (no band). We compete in the NTCA (North Texas Colorguard Association) Circuit, and the Paschal High School JV and Varsity guards have become well-known, competitive groups in the circuit.

WINTERGUARD FEES

\$100 for the season (transportation, show fees, clinicians, choreography, equipment, etc.)

IMPORTANT: FIRST PAYMENT OF \$50 IS DUE BY DECEMBER 1ST

SECOND PAYMENT OF \$50 IS DUE BY FEBRUARY 1ST

***In order to participate in winterguard, marching band fees **MUST** be cleared, **AND** members must be up to date with winter fees. Contact Mr. Wright about payments, payment plans, etc.

OTHER POSSIBLE EXPENSES

- Show make-up
- Hair products (hairspray, gel, bobby pins, hair ties, etc.)
- Appropriate undergarments (JV will be wearing same costume for marching show)
- Electrical tape (black and white)
- Meals on contest days/ rehearsal camp days

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is required at every rehearsal. Contact Gary if you need to miss for any reason. Also, let a captain know to ensure that you have communicated **AND** to catch up on any work/ drill that you miss.

- **ONLY GARY CAN APPROVE ABSENCES.**
- Bring a Doctor's note if you are injured/ sick
- Communicate ASAP. PLAN AHEAD FOR RIDES!
- Failure to attend may result in being taken out of the show in certain sections OR being removed from the organization.
- Missing the rehearsal before a show will result in not being allowed to perform at the contest.

ADDITIONAL REHEARSALS/ WEEKEND CAMPS

Additional rehearsals may be scheduled to make sure that the group is prepared. We are extremely mindful of everyone's time and will only do so if absolutely necessary. We will give at least a week of notice UNLESS it is an extreme situation (restaging show due to injuries, grades, etc.). Weekend camps simply mean that we will add on Friday and/or Saturday rehearsals to the schedule to complete staging and choreography. These dates are already planned out. We may also need members to come on a Saturday or Sunday to help paint the winterguard floor.

PARENT INVOLVMENT

We LOVE when parents get involved. Whether you want to chaperone, help with hair/makeup, drive props, or simply cheer loudly at a show, we are VERY thankful. Please contact Sunshine Garcia and/ or Jess Zamarripa to get involved.

The guard is a part of the band family. Please consider joining the Band Boosters. Attendance at every band booster meeting is not required. The band boosters plan fundraisers, activities, and more to help our kids. We would love for the guard families to get involved!

FUNDRAISERS

We fundraise ALL year. Our first fundraiser will be selling tamales (pre-order). The phone-a-thon will be coming up soon also- please make sure that your child does their share of the work! We want to keep costs down, and that requires fundraising. Additionally, if you have done a successful fundraiser in the past, LET US KNOW! We are open to ALL ideas!

COMMUNICATION

Ms. Reasoner will send out emails about contests, schedules, rehearsals, and more through Charms. Please make sure you are signed up. The captains communicate through Remind 101 texts. All members should already be on the Remind texts, and parents are welcome to join.

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We are looking forward to a great season!

Gary Locke and Alysa Reasoner