

W.T. WOODSON ATHLETIC EXEMPTION REGULATIONS AND FORMS

According to the Fairfax County Music Program of Studies and Woodson's Course Description guide, Marching Band is an integral part of the Advanced and Intermediate band course requirements. At Woodson High School, athletes who are also serious musicians are allowed a *special exemption* to participate in a **VHSL sponsored W.T. Woodson sport** (Football, Cross Country, Cheerleading, Volleyball, and Field Hockey) **whose practices and games directly conflict with Marching Band activities**. Students who take this exemption and are cut from the sports team are required to return to Marching Band. Under this exemption you will still be required to participate in the following band events during the marching season:

- July 4th parade (if not away on vacation)
- Uniform Day
- Tag Day
- Fruit Sale

Because the first quarter grade is based on performance in Marching Band, students requesting this special exemption must perform the following material in order to earn a first quarter grade*:

- All 15 Major Scales and Arpeggios
- Chromatic Scale (full range)
- Solo work(s) or Etudes (grade appropriate and from 12-15 min in length) to be approved by the private teacher and band director

Percussionists are required to play both snare (rudiments and a solo) and Mallets (scales and a solo).

If your student is requesting this exemption, he/she must turn in to the band director, a list of works he/she will be preparing during the first quarter by September 15th.

The works performed must be from VBODA graded repertoire for the instrument (not pop literature or band parts) and should be appropriate for the student's current ability level. The student's private instructor will aid in the selection and final approval of these works. However, students must understand that these works must be prepared on their own or with a private instructor during the fall.

You must complete two forms before being approved for the exemption:

- *Request for Special Exemption Form due by June 1st*
- Works to Be Performed Form due September 15th.

GRADE REQUIREMENTS FOR SOLOS

- A. A superior interpretation and performance, technically and musically. The performance demonstrates the student is able to meet all the technical demands of the music with precision and no aural evidence of strain: the musicality of the performance demonstrates an acute awareness of the composer's intent and desire. It is, to all appearances, free of technical errors and shows much attention to the music's expressive features.

- B. An excellent interpretation and performance. The musical requirements are met with integrity in meeting the composer's intent, desires and instructions. It is an authentic reading, marred by noticeable technical errors and intonation defects. Performance lacks some polish and finesse.

- C. A good interpretation and performance. The performer is unable to execute all of the technical demands of the music with precision and accuracy and does not demonstrate an awareness of the musical demands required for an outstanding performance. A large number of technical errors, obvious problems with intonation, rhythmic inaccuracies, and a lack of dynamic contrast mar the performance.

- D. A performance, which approximates the technical and musical requirements of the music but is seriously lacking in its rendition. The performance is consistently weak and filled with technical errors and intonation problems. The performer shows weaknesses in fundamentals of embouchure, tone production, rhythms, and articulation, and is not prepared to meet the technical or musical demands of the music.

- F. A performance, which is unacceptable technically or musically. It demonstrates a lack of technical proficiency and musical understanding. The quality of the performance shows careless and bad playing habits, evidence of poor training.

Request for Special Exemption for Marching Band Form

Due by June 1st

We have read the above requirements for exemption for Marching Band during the fall and understand the responsibility of the student to make up this work through a quality performance.

Reason for exemption request:

Sport: _____

Coach: _____

Practice days/times for this sport: _____

Game days/times for this sport: _____

2011-2012 BAND REGISTRATION FORM

Please Type or Print

STUDENT: _____ GRAD YEAR (circle) **2012 2013 2014 2015**

INSTRUMENT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____ STUDENT E-MAIL: _____

FATHER: _____ MOTHER: _____

FATHER WORK PHONE: _____ MOTHER WORK PHONE _____

PARENT E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Fees:

\$120.00* **Band fee/uniform rental fee** (*This includes Band DVD and \$40 for the Band Patron Cavalier Card Program. \$40 of this you will get back when you sell your 4 Cavalier Cards*). *Make check payable to W. T. Woodson Band Patrons*

***Note:** *Put Registration Form, Emergency Care Form, Uniform agreement and fee in the black box in the band hall or mail it to: Woodson Band, 9525 Main Street Fairfax, VA 22031 Due by June 1, 2011*

Agreement:

I hereby grant permission for my son/daughter to attend all Band Rehearsals and Performances with the W. T. Woodson High School Band in addition to all other activities of the Band during the 2011-2012 school year.

I understand that, once submitted, all fees are NON-REFUNDABLE should my son/daughter withdraw from the program. I understand that the fee is, in addition, our **commitment to participate** in the program and this form is our contract.

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____



FOR THE PARENT: WE NEED YOUR HELP! PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR AT LEAST ONE COMMITTEE. (See below.)

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| Concession Stand | First Aid Help |
| Telephone Committee | Chaperone |
| Uniforms | Hospitality |
| Tag Day Help/Driver | Car Washes |
| Color Guard | Spring fundraiser |
| Fruit Sale (Fall) | Tiny Tots |
| Newsletter | Cavalier Cards |
| Equipment (Pit) | Spiritwear |
| Publicity | Freshmen Parent Liaison |

Parent Volunteers: We/I would like to help the Band Patrons and band student activities during the year by assisting with the following committees:

Parent Name(s): _____

Committees that you would volunteer for: _____

DUE June 1st, 2011!

Works to Be Performed

Due September 15th

Student Name (print): _____

Instrument: _____

Private Teacher: _____

Repertoire:

Etude	Collection	Page#	Time (approx)
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Solo	Composer	Grade	Time (approx)
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➤ These works are to be performed the final week of **the quarter** for a grade.