

# Woodson Winter Guard 2023-2024

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## What is Winter Guard?

During the winter months, the Woodson Band supports the Woodson Winter Guard. This group performs indoors to pre-recorded music. The Winter Guard uses rifles, sabers, flags and other props to assemble a complete visual production. Winter Guard season begins mid-November and continues until the beginning of April. The Woodson Winter Guard competes in the Atlantic Indoor Association circuit and/or Winter Guard International with competitions in across Virginia.

## What are the expectations of attendance?

Every member is expected to attend every rehearsal and competitions. The only acceptable reasons for an absence are family emergencies (i.e. a death in the family), and injury or illness. If there is a question about this expectation, please contact the coach directly at the email listed in the contact section of this packet. For last minute decisions for an absence (i.e. going home sick), the member should contact the captains directly. For predetermined reasons for an absence (i.e. a mandatory religious gathering) the coach should be contacted at least one week before the absence.

Students may not miss rehearsal regularly (i.e. missing each Tuesday) and still participate in Winter Guard. While an occasional absence is acceptable

## Parent Involvement

Parent involvement and support is vital to the success of the Woodson Winter Guard program. Every Winter Guard member's family is **required** to help provide transportation to the Winter Guard competitions. In addition, the Winter Guard program may need a volunteer coordinator, a trip coordinator, prop makers, equipment managers, and more. Winter Guard is a wonderful program, but we must have every family's help and participation. Get involved! It is lots of fun and very rewarding for the participants and their families! A Signup Genius link will be sent to all guard families, making it easy to sign up to volunteer.

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## Communication

As in any activity, communication is key. There are a few different ways to make sure that you stay connected with the team and any band/guard related news. Complete the Registration Information page with accurate information as most communication will occur via email.

Please contact email with any questions, comments, or concerns that you have.

# Additional Information

## How much does Winter Guard cost?

The Woodson Band Patrons generously pays for many expenses associated with the Winter Guard program. Some of these expenses include coaching fee, show expenses, competition fees, and other miscellaneous expenses. Each Winter Guard member pays a \$400 fee. This fee pays for the Winter Guard uniform and helps defray the cost of the flags and other props used in the show. The fee also covers appropriate foundation garments, hair accessories, and show shirts. If the cost of joining Winter Guard is beyond the means of a family, they can contact the Color Guard Director or Mr. Morgan, Director of Woodson Bands, to confidentially discuss scholarships or alternate payment timelines.

## Financial Information

All payments should be made out to: “**W.T. Woodson Band Patrons**”, with “Winter Guard” and your student’s name in the memo.

A **\$100** deposit is due by Saturday, November 18, 2023 along with the completed registration form. All students must turn in their deposit payment by this date or risk forfeiting their spot on the team.

Families may pay the entire remaining sum of \$300 in one block payment, to be paid by February 3, 2024. However, in an effort to make the program more flexible, we also offer a payment plan option. Because we operate as an attachment of the band program and through the non-profit Band Patrons organization, we rely on families to keep up with their payment schedules. Please communicate financial issues to Mr. Morgan – we do not want finances to be a barrier for participation.

Listed below are the deadlines for the payment plan.

1. November 18 - \$100 Deposit Due
2. December 9 - \$100
3. January 13 - \$100
4. February 3 - \$100

Members can pay more or in full prior to deadlines.



### EMERGENCY CARE INFORMATION

In case of an emergency, the school staff will contact 911.  
Every attempt will be made to contact a parent, a guardian, or a designated emergency contact.

STUDENT INFORMATION				
Last:	First:	Middle:	Date of Birth:	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
School Name:		ID No.:	Teacher or Counselor :	Bus # (AM):    Bus # (PM):
<input type="checkbox"/> Student has medical alert information on file. See page 2 for details.			Student Cell _____	

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT INFORMATION				
This form is to be completed by the enrolling parent. The enrolling parent is the natural or adoptive parent or legal guardian with whom the student lives the preponderance of the school week and who enrolled the student in school.				
Enrolling Parent	Last:	First:	Middle:	Telephone
Number:		Street:		Home:
City:		State:		Work:
Relationship:		Language:		Cell:
<input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Self		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resides with		E-mail:
Other Parent	Last:	First:	Middle:	Telephone
Number:		Street:		Home:
City:		State:		Work:
Relationship:		Language:		Cell:
		<input type="checkbox"/> Resides with		E-mail:
Other Parent	Last:	First:	Middle:	Telephone
Number:		Street:		Home:
City:		State:		Work:
Relationship:		Language:		Cell:
		<input type="checkbox"/> Resides with		E-mail:
Other Parent	Last:	First:	Middle:	Telephone
Number:		Street:		Home:
City:		State:		Work:
Relationship:		Language:		Cell:
		<input type="checkbox"/> Resides with		E-mail:

OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION			
Please list at least two people we may call if the parent(s) or guardian(s) cannot be reached in the event of an emergency. These people also have your permission to pick your child up from school during the school day.			
Name of Person	Relationship	Language	Telephone
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

\* Please remember to sign page 2.

**2<sup>nd</sup> page of Emerg. Care form**

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## Rehearsal & Performance Calendar

DATE	TIME	Description	Location
November 13	4:30-7:00	Try-Outs	Band Room
November 14	4:30-7:00	Try-Outs	Band Room
November 15	4:30-7:00	Try-Outs	Band Room
November 18	2:00-6:00pm	Technique Camp	Aux Gym
November 21	3:30-5:30	Rehearsal	Band Room
November 28	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
December 1	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
December 2	2:00-6:00pm	Drill Camp	Location TBD
December 5	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
December 8	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
December 9	2:00-6:00pm	Drill Camp	Aux Gym
December 12	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
December 15	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 2	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 5	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 6	2:00-6:00pm	Drill Camp	Aux Gym
January 8	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 11	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 13	2:00-6:00pm	Drill Camp	Aux Gym
January 16	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 18	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 20	2:00-6:00pm	Drill Camp	Aux Gym
January 24	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 26	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
January 29	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 1	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 3	TIMES TBD	AIA Forest Park	
February 6	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 9	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 14	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 16	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 17	Times TBA	AIA Mt. Vernon	

February 21	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 23	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
February 24	TIMES TBD	AIA Woodgrove	
February 27	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 1	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 2	TIMES TBD	AIA Potomac	
March 5	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 8	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 12	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 15	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 19	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 22	7:00-9:30pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
March 23	TIMES TBD	AIA South County	
April 1	2:00-6:00pm	Rehearsal	Aux Gym
April 2	2:00-6:00pm	Rehearsal & Parent Perf.	Main Gym
April 5	After School	Depart for Norfolk	Band Room
April 6	TIMES TBD	AIA Championships	Hampton Rds

# 2023-2024 WOODSON BAND REGISTRATION FORM

## Winter Guard

Please Type or Print

DUE Nov. 18

STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_ GRAD YR (circle one) **2024 2025 2026 2027**

T-SHIRT SIZE (circle): **S M L XL XXL** Shoes Size \_\_\_\_\_

GLOVE SIZE (circle): **XS S M L XL** STUDENT FCPS NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME 1. \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME 2. \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT EMAIL (not FCPS): \_\_\_\_\_

LIST OTHER MUSIC GROUPS OR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – (Meeting Days): \_\_\_\_\_

### Agreement:

I hereby grant permission for my son/daughter to participate in Winter Guard activities for the 2023-2024 school year. I have read and I understand the schedule and commit to my student attending all required winter guard events. I understand that, once submitted, all payments are **NON-REFUNDABLE** should my son/daughter withdraw from the program. I understand that these fees and this signed form is **our commitment to participate** in the program. Forms and payments turned in after the due date are **not** guaranteed a permanent position in the competition show.

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send check payable to: "Woodson Band Patrons" Put checks in the "Band Box" located in the Band room or Mail to Woodson High School Band, 9525 Main St., Fairfax, VA 22031

NOTE: Your finances should not stop you from being a part of the Woodson Band Program. Contact Mr. Morgan directly to discuss financial options.

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