



MUNFORD HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Things your student may not tell you...

Every Marching Season there are a number of things the students are asked to do. Some of the time I have found these things out from a desperate child with a very limited amount of time to find the solution.

1. **I need Band Blowout attire.** Khaki Shorts, White Shoes, White Socks, and a Belt need to be purchased. This outfit is what the students wear for any marching event that requires "Blowout Attire". The Khaki shorts are harder to find later in the summer. The white shoes need to be plain white. The "Show Shirt" completes the outfit, and 1 show shirt is provided by the booster organization. If you don't want to wash it Friday night after a game so it will be ready for a Saturday competition you might want to buy an additional shirt. Show shirts are required to be worn on all off-campus trips.
2. **Compression Top and Bottom.** These will be worn under the uniform. Students will order these items directly through the Band Boosters. Students will wear a show shirt and regular shorts/pant over compression gear when traveling to competitions or performances
3. **Buy PLAIN white socks.** The socks that have colored bands or colored heels may be visible so only purchase plain white socks.
4. **Hair has to be off the collar and up in the hat.** Bobby pins and hairspray are a necessity for marching season once uniforms are being worn. Guys, your hair has to be off the collar, and girls if it's long it has to be up in the hat. You should arrive competition-ready hair up in a high bun and hair sprayed in place.
5. **Always be 15 minutes early.** The students are expected to be in their assigned locations at the start time. If they are getting dropped off at the start time they may be late.
6. **Label Everything.** It may make its way back to your child if a name is on it if its left lying around.
7. **Always plan for snacks/drinks/funds.** The Booster organization does provide some snacks, meals, and drinks during events and trips. Most of the time meals at games or competitions will be a visit to a concessions stand so your student will require some funds. But our children are working very hard and burning a bunch of calories so they are constantly eating. Packing a snack or 2 and an extra drink for trips is always recommended.
8. **Get a bag** having a sturdy and easily recognizable bag will help your child keep all their belongings together.
9. **Always bring sunscreen to everything**
10. **AND lastly, it cannot be said enough... Hydrate Hydrate Hydrate.**