

Mount Pleasant Winterguard

Student and Parent Handbook



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2023-2024

THE MOUNT PLEASANT WINTERGUARD HANDBOOK

The **Mount Pleasant Winterguard Handbook** contains information relating to winterguard activities, winterguard rules, scheduling and important release forms/information forms, which you are to complete and return. Please complete the forms and return them, along with your child's \$500.00 fee, by February 1st, 2024. If you are unable to provide payment in full prior to this date, we would be more than willing to set up a payment plan option for your family. To set up a payment plan, contact Keith Lee at 704-267-6707 or at keith.lee@cabarrus.k12.nc.us prior to February 1st, 2024.

WHAT TO DO

1. Please read the entire handbook with your student(s).
2. Encourage your student(s) to practice the fundamentals taught at Audition Prep Days.
3. Complete the forms and return them to the director by February 1st, 2024.
4. Please mark all dates on your calendar and free all dates. Attendance is **mandatory**.
5. Please volunteer to work for the Mount Pleasant Band Boosters. The band really needs your talents, ideas, and energy! We strive to be one of the leading programs in the state, but we cannot do that without the support of our parent volunteers.
6. Please remember that all rehearsals and all performances are mandatory. We work very hard to make the most of the limited amount of rehearsal time that we do have.
7. If you should have any questions, please contact Mr. Lee at 704-267-6707 or via email at keith.lee@cabarrus.k12.nc.us.
8. Payment plan arrangements can also be worked out through Mr. Lee at the above-listed contacts.

ATTENDANCE FOR WINTERGUARD MEMBERS

All winterguard activities are on the calendar accessible through the band website and through the Band App. This should be your main source of information. All notable changes will be communicated as soon as possible.

Members are expected to be at every rehearsal and performance of the Mount Pleasant Winterguard. In general, cases of illness (must have a valid doctor's excuse), death in the family or extreme family emergency are the only excuses that will be accepted for missing a rehearsal or performance. Conflicts with work, other school activities, church, and community activities along with routine dental or doctor appointments will generally be considered unexcused absences. Talk with your instructors at least two days prior to rehearsal to get possible clearance. Communication is key!!!!!!!

Under most circumstances, an absence from a performance without prior approval will result in dismissal from the organization with no refund of fees paid or at least a regulation to "alternate" status for the remainder of the season. A conference will be requested for any student who accumulates more than two absences from rehearsals.

Late arrivals and early dismissals must also be cleared **in advance with the instructors**. Corrective measures will be taken against any members who arrive late to rehearsals. Members will not be excused to leave after performances at contests except in the event of illness or family emergency. Any student who leaves any event or rehearsal without proper dismissal will receive an unexcused absence. Two late arrivals will constitute an unexcused absence.

Each member should arrive **early** for all announced rehearsals and performances. Members should be in place, ready to go, before the call time, not at the call time.

Any requests for a planned absence, late arrival or early dismissal must be **submitted via our Google Form (<https://forms.gle/a1MbNToMVk4xP6th7>) at least two days in advance to Mr. Lee. No staff member, instructor, booster or parent can excuse a student for any reason.** You may, in addition, contact the appropriate staff member or instructor for information purposes only.

QR CODE TO ABSENCE LEAVE FORM:



If you receive an unexcused absence within the week, you will not perform in the next performance. If you receive two unexcused absences, you will be dismissed from the winterguard without refund of fees.

It is essential that we have complete student and parental cooperation in this matter. Any absence, regardless of reason, creates a hardship for everyone.

PHYSICAL FITNESS AND INJURY

All members of the Mount Pleasant Winterguard Program will be put through a regimented physical fitness program. This program is intended to set them up for success while participating in this activity. They will be doing a variety of things to increase cardio endurance, strengthen core stability, and to gain strength. At no time are students permitted to “sit out” during these activities. The program that is set up is not out of reach for anyone and is even adaptable for different levels of fitness. It will also be expected that students perform physical fitness on their own time. The program that is created will not take a lot of time out of the students’ personal time or our rehearsals (20-30 minutes max). If you are against doing this, then no need to be a part of the winterguard.

If students are injured for whatever reason, particular care will be made to ensure further damage is not done. Exercises will be adapted and possible work to rest ratios will be established to ensure that the student is taken care of. Legitimate medical conditions (with Doctor’s note) will be dealt with case by case.

Students who “sit out” during a rehearsal due to not taking care of themselves prior to rehearsal (hydrating, eating properly, exercising, etc.) will be sent home and will be given a non-excused absence from rehearsal. The staff and I will be able to tell if it is an actual medical issue or a “you are too lazy” issue. If your sitting out of any portion of rehearsal is due to the “you are too lazy” issue, that “sit-out” constitutes an unexcused absence.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

During the season, winterguard members will have regular rehearsals on Monday and Thursday from 5:00-8:00 PM. There will also be some Friday and Saturday rehearsals scheduled. Rehearsals are **not optional**. No athletic team member could expect to participate having never attended a practice or camp session. Our philosophy is the same, but unlike athletic teams, the winterguard has no “back ups” or “second string players”. Absences are a detriment to the entire organization. Students who make a commitment to winterguard should be in attendance at 100% of all rehearsals and camps. *Rehearsal times will shift once winter sports are done.

WINTERGUARD COMPETITIONS

The winterguard will perform at six (6) competitions this winter/early spring. Participation in these events benefits the winterguard in many ways. It provides motivation to strive for excellence, it raises standards of quality for performance, and it builds esprit de corps. It also offers an opportunity to gauge the band's progress and to gain positive recognition for our students, our school, and our community. Finally, it provides a positive experience as a reward for hard work. All winterguard competitions are open to the public. The competition schedule is as follows:

February 3rd - CWEA Preview @ Catawba Ridge HS
February 17th – Mooresville HS
February 24th – North Lincoln HS
March 9th - Rock Hill HS
March 23rd – Indian Land HS
April 6th – CWEA Championships @ Winthrop University

PARTICIPATION IN OTHER EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Students who participate in the Winterguard should be aware of the time commitment involved with such an ensemble. Conflicts arise when students attempt to take on multiple extra-curricular activities during one semester. It is best to limit the number of extra-curricular activities in which you participate in order to do them well. We will do our best to work around conflicts, however, the best way to avoid conflicts is to not take on more than you can handle. If you have any questions concerning this issue, please speak to Mr. Lee.

THE WINTERGUARD FEE

All students participating in the Winterguard will be required to pay a participation fee. The fee for all winterguard members will be \$500.00. This fee will be put toward member t-shirts, guard costumes/flag/floor and design, travel and transportation, drill, and instruction. Student fees must pay for these components of our program as there are no budget allotments from MPHS or CCS for the winterguard program. Fees can be paid in one lump sum or in increments dictated by the schedule set forth on the "Payment Coupon" section of this handbook. Fees can be paid by cash, check (made out to the Mount Pleasant Band Boosters), or through PayPal at <http://mpband.org/payments/> (all PayPal fees that are incurred or the responsibility of the individual utilizing PayPal to pay their dues; The MP Band will not pay those fees for you). In addition to the winterguard fee, all students will be responsible for purchasing their own shoes, gloves, undergarments, etc. (gloves and shoes purchased through the band).

The \$200 NON-REFUNDABLE deposit is due December 31st, 2023. All fees must be paid in full by February 1st, 2024 (additional time to pay can be requested; see below). If a student drops out at any point, no refunds of money paid to that point will be given as we encumber these funds to order necessary materials. Students who drop out prior to February 1st, 2024, you will still owe up to what fees were due prior to the point they dropped out (owe \$200 if they drop after December 31st, \$350 if they drop after January 15th). If a student decides to drop out after February 1st, 2024, all winterguard fees (\$500) will still be owed by that student and their family due to items already having been purchased with that student's participation in mind. Request to drop out must be submitted to Mr. Lee at keith.lee@cabarrus.k12.nc.us. The date the e-mail is received will be what is utilized to determine what the student still owes in fees to the point of dropping out. All delinquent fees will be turned in to the main office of the school and held against the student until fully paid. If you require additional time, please contact the Band Director, Band Booster President or Treasurer as soon as possible. Fundraising money earned during the season may be applied to the commitment fee.

Multiple Child Discount – Families who have multiple children currently in the marching band qualify for a multiple child discount. The oldest child will be \$500. Each additional child is \$400 per child (\$100 discount per child).

UNIFORM RESPONSIBILITIES

The winterguard uniforms are very expensive and require appropriate care. You will be assigned a specific uniform at the beginning of the year, and it is your responsibility to return that same uniform at the end of every performance in good condition. Failure to do so will result in a damage or replacement charge for the ENTIRE uniform. Guard shoes and appropriate accessories as assigned for auxiliary wear are also the student's responsibility. All winterguard uniforms will be sent to the dry cleaners when deemed necessary by the Director. The cost of cleaning the uniforms is included in the winterguard fee.

Wearing the Uniform

Your uniform should be worn with pride. This means that every band member wears all uniform parts appropriately at all times. All components of the uniform should be put together. No jewelry, including rings, watches, visible necklaces, earrings or other facial piercing, is ever allowed while wearing the uniform unless there is a specific component required. This decision will be made by the Director and Staff, not by students or parents.

When wearing the uniform, the following guidelines should be used:

1. Hair styles for all guard members will be as uniform as possible, and the specific style will be determined by the Staff.
2. No student will be permitted in the uniform room. Uniforms remain at school and must be checked out from a parent and checked back in at the conclusion of the event. Under no circumstances should the uniform ever be "wadded up" and thrown around. All uniforms must be properly hung on the hangers and returned to the uniform room before any student will be allowed to leave.
3. Label all shoes, gloves, t-shirt, and any other items with your name using a permanent marker. DO NOT mark on the uniform or any of the uniform accessories. Remember, love your fellow winterguard members, but don't trust them to remember what is theirs and what is yours. Lost or stolen items are not the responsibility of the Director or Staff.
4. No eating or drinking (with the exception of water) is permitted while in uniform. Students are feed prior to contest (see "Pre-Game/Competition Meals" section of this handbook for more details).
5. Mount Pleasant Winterguard members will display the highest degree of class while in the uniform. We will conduct ourselves as young ladies and gentlemen, **NO MATTER WHAT THE OTHER PROGRAMS OR THEIR FANS MAY DO!** While in uniform you are clearly identified as belonging to our group, so you bring the entire group shame when you act inappropriately. As a general rule, remember that there will be no profanity, rude language or gestures, excessive displays of affection, displays of poor attitude, or use or possession of alcohol, tobacco products, or controlled substances.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

All winterguard members are expected to travel with the entire unit unless otherwise specified by the Director. Every student is expected to ride with the winterguard from Mount Pleasant to any performance. On certain occasions, students may travel from the event with a parent. Other special arrangements will be limited and will require written permission from a parent or guardian on the official form. Students may travel with PARENTS/GUARDIANS ONLY! No student will be allowed to travel with brothers, sisters, other family members, neighbors, etc. If parents are not physically present to drive their child, the student MUST return to the school with the band. This is for accountability concerns, and the policy will NOT be flexible. A signed note from a parent is NOT ACCEPTABLE; the parent MUST be present before the child will be released. In addition, the travel release form must be completely filled out, signed by the parent, and given to the chaperone responsible for attendance on the bus which the band member was riding.

When Traveling in Large Groups:

1. Students will be dismissed as a group to board the buses.
2. Students should keep the noise level at a minimum on the bus and should keep all body parts and other objects inside the bus at all times. Students will remain seated in the seat during the trip. This means that you must SIT in the chair, not turn around on your knees facing the opposite directions. This request is for your own safety.
3. Chaperones will be treated with the utmost respect at all times. Their authority is an extension of the Director's authority. When they stand to give instructions, students will stop all talking and listen carefully for directions. Chaperones are instructed to report any absences and/or behavior problems to the Director. Remember, chaperones donate their time to benefit our organization, and they will be treated with respect at all times!
4. All students must sign in when boarding the bus and must check their names off the list when they re-board the bus after a performance.
5. No radios/phones/tablets, etc. without headphones will be permitted on the bus.
6. No student should get off the bus until he or she is told to do so.
7. After getting off the bus, students should get their instrument from the equipment line, return the cases, and then wait patiently and quietly for instructions to go to the warm-up area.
8. The possession of or consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or the use of tobacco products, illegal drugs, or any other controlled substance are strictly prohibited. Use of these will be referred to school administration and may be turned over to local law enforcement for processing. In addition, use or possession of these substances will result in immediate dismissal from the Mount Pleasant High School Band program. **PARENTS: PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT IF YOUR CHILD IS FOUND TO HAVE POSSESSION OF THESE SUBSTANCES, OR TO HAVE CONSUMED THEM, THEY WILL BE IMMEDIATELY SENT HOME AT YOUR EXPENSE.**

PRE-COMPETITION MEALS

A pre-performance meal will always be served to the winterguard members prior to each contest. This food is prepared by the parents and provided at designated times on Saturdays of competition dates. Times are subject to change based on performance times. Students will not be permitted to eat while in "performance mode" for contests. Only circumstance where this would be permitted is if food is required for medical reasons (diabetes, etc.).

GENERAL MP WINTERGUARD RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Attendance at all rehearsals and performances is mandatory.
2. Excessive tardies or absences will cause you to lose your spot within the winterguard without a refund.
3. If you are well enough to attend school, you are well enough to attend the rehearsal/game/competition.
4. Club meetings, detention, and after school jobs are not considered excused absences or tardies.
5. Should the need for an emergency absence occur, a parent must contact Mr. Lee at keith.lee@cabarrus.k12.nc.us.
6. All winterguard members are expected to give 100% effort during all rehearsals and performances.
7. All winterguard members are to treat the band instructional staff with respect at all times.
8. All winterguard members are to treat the band booster parents with respect at all times.
9. Negative attitudes and abusive language will not be tolerated.
10. Students are expected to take excellent care of their equipment.
11. All students should arrive at least ten minutes before call time in order to be on time.
12. Bring all required materials to every rehearsal.
13. Students may not drive off of campus during rehearsals.
14. Respect for your peers is expected at all times.

15. All students will appropriate clothing (t-shirts, tanks, sweats, shorts, etc.) to every rehearsal.
16. No gum in rehearsals.
17. Proper decorum is expected during all award ceremonies.
18. All students will wear the MP Winterguard Uniform correctly and with pride.
19. We are a professional performing ensemble with extremely high standards. Get on board.

OPERATING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Behavior Expectations

Productive rehearsals are the backbone of a strong winterguard program and must run efficiently to accomplish the goals of the program. These procedures ensure that this goal will be met. *No student has the right to interfere with the education of the rest of the group because he or she does not have the self-control to follow rehearsal procedures. Check your responsibility and your attitude carefully!*

CONDUCT

1. There will be absolutely no food, drinks, candy, or gum brought into rehearsal areas at any time unless authorized by the Director or Staff.
2. Do not touch equipment that is not yours or allow another student to handle yours. Only winterguard members are allowed to handle guard equipment. In short, if it's not yours, never touch it!
3. If you have not been assigned a piece of school owned equipment, do not take it upon yourself to grab something that has not been assigned to you. They must be properly signed out to you for your use. If you take equipment that has not been properly assigned to you and something happens to it (i.e. – lost, stolen, damaged) and you have been found to be the one to have taken that piece of equipment, I am going to turn the matter over to the SRO for proper criminal charges to be filed for theft.
4. Students will be held financially accountable for damage to school-owned property, including uniforms, equipment, and any other item or items that are the property of Mount Pleasant High School or the Mount Pleasant High School Band Booster Organization.
5. All talking shall cease when the appropriate Staff member takes his/her place in front of the group. Students are asked to raise their hand to be recognized for talking. Talking in rehearsal WILL NOT be tolerated.
6. At the conclusion of rehearsal, all will be placed in the appropriately assigned areas or will be taken home.

No student should ever feel that he or she has the right or ability to inappropriately talk back to the Director, a staff member, a band parent, another teacher, administrator, school employee, or any adult. Requests are made of you for a good reason and are made of you for your common good. If you feel that you have been asked to do something unreasonable, DO NOT argue with the person who asked you to do it. Comply with the request immediately, then come talk to the Director and we will discuss your situation. You are students and you have not earned or been given the right to arbitrarily talk back to any adult associated with Mount Pleasant High School. Slouching, rolling eyes, failure to make eye contact, sucking at your teeth, or any other inappropriate gesture is considered rude and unacceptable! If this is a problem for you, then don't join the winterguard! Bad attitudes of any kind will not be tolerated, and will result in lowered grades, loss of performance and/or travel privileges, or removal from the band program.

SCHOOL OWNED EQUIPMENT

1. No person except the person to whom it is assigned (unless instructed by the Director) should handle school-owned equipment.
2. All winterguard members are expected to treat school-owned property with respect and care. Any misuse of the provided equipment will result in the parent and student facing a replacement or repair charge.

WINTERGUARD STUDENT LEADERSHIP

The winterguard may have student leadership that will be selected to help in a variety of functions within the band.

The Leadership Team: The student leaders will handle matters of administration, teach sectionals, maintain the practice areas, and ensure see that winterguard policies are carried out. The Student Leaders will also be responsible for attendance, equipment inventory, loading of equipment for all trips and maintaining all school owned equipment. They are also responsible for ensuring that the members of their unit are successful, meaning they may be tasked to teach a variety of sectionals, do remedial work with their sections or a select student, etc. There may be more than one student leader or none at all. This is dependent on requirements from the Director and the Staff.

GENERAL INFORMATION

WHAT IS WINTERGUARD

Winterguard is one of the programs that is under the Mount Pleasant Band Umbrella. The Mount Pleasant Winterguard is an auditioned group that is a competitive unit that is an extension of the Mount Pleasant Marching Band. This ensemble allows colorguard members and our other marching band members an outlet during the winter months to continue to build skills in body movement, choreography, flag/sabre/rifle work, etc. The values and expectations held for this ensemble are the same that are held for each and every ensemble under the Mount Pleasant Band Umbrella.

All members of this ensemble are expected to participate in marching band the following fall. Those students who cannot commit to being in the marching band in the fall (either as a marching musician or colorguard member) due to other school activities (sports, etc.) will be analyzed in case-by-case manner. Those who cannot commit to marching band due to activities outside of school in the fall will not be taken into the ensemble.

Those students who have quit a previous extracurricular ensemble under the Mount Pleasant Band Umbrella (i.e. marching band, previous season of winterguard) will NOT be accepted as members into this ensemble. We cannot and will not accept the risk that these individuals pose to the group due to their unwillingness to complete a prior commitment. Members must prove their worthiness of being a member of the Winterguard by being a contributing member of the marching band, first.

COMMUNICATION PLATFORM

For all communication, we will be using the BAND app. This app will allow us to communicate effectively and quickly. To sign up for the MP Winterguard page, please go to <https://band.us/n/afa99fq8z5A2b> or scan the QR Code:



FUNDRAISING

Every year, all programs under the Mount Pleasant Band Umbrella (Marching Band, Colorguard, Winterguard, etc.) will conduct multiple fundraising events. These fundraisers can aid in the payment of your student's winterguard fees, the costs of trips, or any other expense your student may incur. Money earned will go towards the daily expenses of the group such as: music, instruction and transportation costs. Some of these fundraising activities may include working at the Cabarrus Arena, Charlotte Motor Speedway, yard sales, car washes and community service. All students are expected to participate in every fundraising effort. Student accounts will be set up for each band member, with specific percentages of fundraising money going toward these student accounts. This money can be used at the student's discretion, as long as it is for an expense for an activity under the Mount Pleasant Band Umbrella.

STUDENT COMMITMENT FORMS

This form secures your spot in this ensemble. By signing this, the student and the parents/guardians of the student are obligating themselves to this ensemble for the upcoming season. This form is important because we have to get our show designers personnel numbers very soon for drill, flags, etc. This form can be found at <https://forms.gle/jGNayq5hDZVcswBS6>. Please read it carefully. **Please complete this form by December 11th.*



MEDICAL INFORMATION FORMS

All students are required to have a health form properly completed and signed by parents or guardians before they will be allowed to participate in band activities. On every trip the winterguard takes, the health forms are taken along in the event of a medical emergency. Chaperones also assist the student with personal medical and hygiene problems, as well as the administration of prescribed medication from the student's doctor. They are also available to disburse other medications that would be used for minor medical ailments. Accurate and current information is very important, so please complete these forms as accurately as possible. ****Please return this form by February 1st.***

STUDENT PERMISSION AND RELEASE FORM

A student permission and release forms are located on the back of the student medical form. Please read carefully and sign in all areas requested. ****Please return this form by February 1st.***

SCHEDULE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

Once you and your child have read the entire rehearsal and performance schedule, there is a form where you will sign to acknowledge that you have read the schedule, understand the policies for attendance, and that your child will abide by the schedule for the 2023-2024 Winterguard Season. The student is also required to sign the schedule acknowledgement form. This form is not to be taken lightly. Our ability to function as a performing ensemble depends on the attendance of every member at every rehearsal and performance event. We do not have back-ups or substitute players like a sports team.

REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Dec 7	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 8	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 11	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 14	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 15	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 16	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Dec 18	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 21	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 22	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 23	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Dec 28	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 29	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Dec 30	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Jan 2	Tuesday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Jan 4	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 5	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 6	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Jan 8	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 11	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 12	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 13	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Jan 18	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 19	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 22	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 25	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 26	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Jan 27	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Jan 29	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 1	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Feb 2	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 3	CWEA Preview @ Catawba Ridge HS	ALL DAY EVENT
Feb 5	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 8	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 9	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 10	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Feb 12	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 15	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 16	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 17	Contest @ Mooresville HS	ALL DAY EVENT
Feb 22	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 23	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 24	Contest @ North Lincoln HS	ALL DAY EVENT
Feb 26	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Feb 29	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 1	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 2	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Mar 4	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 5	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 8	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 9	Contest @ Rock Hill HS	ALL DAY EVENT
Mar 11	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 14	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 15	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 16	Saturday Camp	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Mar 18	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 21	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 22	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 23	Contest @ Indian Land HS	ALL DAY EVENT
Mar 25	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Mar 28	Rehearsal	5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Apr 2	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Apr 3	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Apr 4	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Apr 5	Rehearsal	4:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Apr 6	CWEA Championships @ Winthrop University	ALL DAY EVENT



EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION & PERMISSION FORM 2023-2024

(Student's Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

(Grade) (Birth date) (Instrument or Section)

(Student's Home Address) (City, Zip) (Home Phone) (Email address)

(Father/Guardian Name) (Place of Business/Work) (Work Phone) (Email address)

(Mother/Guardian Name) (Place of Business/Work) (Work Phone) (Email address)

IN CASE OF ILLNESS OR EMERGENCY, THE FOLLOWING PERSON MAY BE CONTACTED IF THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS CANNOT BE LOCATED:

(Name of Friend/Neighbor) (Phone Number) (Relationship to Student)

List any Medications that your son/daughter will need to take: _____

List any health problems regarding your son/daughter that we need to be aware of: _____

Is your son/daughter under any medical treatment presently? yes no. If yes, please list reason: _____

I, _____, the parent of _____,

have insurance coverage, which will accept responsibility should an accident or health problem arise.

Insurance Information (Company): _____ Policy #: _____

Family Physician: _____ Phone #: _____

RELEASE FORM

I understand that there will be adequate adult supervision on all outings involving the Mount Pleasant Band/Winterguard. In the event that my child suffers any illness or accident requiring emergency medical aid, I hereby authorize Mr. Lee, or his designee, to acquire any necessary medical treatment for my child, understanding that Mr. Lee, or his designee, will contact me at the earliest possible moment. I also give permission for my child to travel with the winterguard. By signing, I attest that I will not hold Mr. Lee, Mount Pleasant High School, Cabarrus County Schools, or any Chaperones responsible for any accidents.

This signature will serve as my acknowledgement of my understanding of the information listed above and will allow Mr. Lee or his designee to seek medical assistance for my child should a time for such assistance ever occur.

Parent Signature: _____

Date _____

Mount Pleasant High School Winterguard Permission for Field Trips 2023-2024

Date: February 1st 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians:

In order for your son/daughter to be allowed to participate in off-campus, we must have the following agreement signed by a parent/guardian giving permission. This permission form is blanket permission for the entire 2023-2024 school year.

Sincerely,

_____, Band Director

Destination: All Competitions

Mode of travel: Activity Bus or Chartered Bus

This is to certify that I/we the parent/parents/guardian of (name of student) _____ do hereby grant permission for him/her to attend all football games (home and away) and all parades and understand that all CCS, MPHS and Mount Pleasant Band rules and policies apply.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mount Pleasant Winterguard Attendance and Schedule Acknowledgement Form 2023-2024

We, the parent(s)/guardian of _____ have carefully reviewed the Mount Pleasant Winterguard Attendance Policy and the Mount Pleasant Winterguard Schedule for 2023-2024. We have marked our personal calendar and we have cleared all rehearsal and performance dates with our child’s employer or faculty advisors for additional activities. We have no date conflicts.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mount Pleasant Winterguard Member Pledge 2023-2024

As a member of the Mount Pleasant Winterguard, I understand that is a privilege that requires commitment and carries with it responsibilities. I have read and understand the expectations for all Mount Pleasant. As a member of this ensemble, I understand that I personally contribute to the overall success of the ensemble. As such, I will abide by the following terms of this contract:

- I will behave in a way that will bring respect to me, my teachers, my instructors and my school.
- I will not use foul language or inappropriate gestures, or bully other students.
- I will learn and follow the disciplinary components required of a strong and meaningful musical performance.
- I will learn and apply all technique as it pertains performance and ensemble effect.
- I will listen to and respect the decisions of all administrators, teachers, instructors, and adjudicators.
- I will never use the winterguard program as an excuse for not completing an assignment for another class.
- I will behave in a respectful manner in all of my classes.
- I will always give 100% to every rehearsal, run-through, and performance and demonstrate esprit de corps at all times.

Signature of MP Band Winterguard _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

2023-2024 Winterguard Payment Schedule and Payment Coupons

In order to prevent holes in the production and also to ascertain a correct headcount at an early date, the Mount Pleasant Winterguard has a payment schedule for winterguard fees which will begin with a non-refundable commitment deposit of \$200.00. Security is the primary reason for this process. We must prevent drop out, and ensure that the Band Boosters will have enough money in their checking account to cover the purchase of our uniforms, flooring, drill, instruction, etc. The payment deadline dates are as follows:

Sunday, December 31st, 2023	1st payment of \$200.00 is due. (non-refundable)
Monday, January 15th, 2024	2nd payment of \$150.00 is due.
Thursday, February 1st, 2024	3rd payment of \$150.00 is due. \$50 for those that qualify multiple child Discount (Oldest child \$500; additional children \$400 per child).

Each cash or check payment should be accompanied by its corresponding payment coupon. Please fill out all information on the coupon every time you make a cash or check payment. If you choose to pay your child's band fee in one lump sum on the first payment date, please write this on your payment coupon. Credit card payments can also be made, via PayPal on the band website (www.mpband.org) under the "band payments" tab. Additional payment arrangements can be made with Mr. Lee, if necessary. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Lee at 704-267-6707, or at keith.lee@cabarrus.k12.nc.us.

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Marching Band Payment Coupons

**Use these if turning money in or using credit from student account
Make checks payable to Mount Pleasant Band Boosters**

3rd Payment (Due Thursday, February 1st, 2024)

Student Name: _____ Payment Amount: **\$150.00 / \$50 (see above)**

Student Instrument: _____ Circle Grade Level: 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

Student Signature: _____ Parent Signature _____

Payment Type (please circle): Check Cash Credit from Student Account

2nd Payment (Monday, January 15th, 2024)

Student Name: _____ Payment Amount: **\$150.00**

Student Instrument: _____ Circle Grade Level: 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

Student Signature: _____ Parent Signature _____

Payment Type (please circle): Check Cash Credit from Student Account

Non-Refundable Commitment Deposit /1st Payment (Sunday, December 31st, 2023)

Student Name: _____ Payment Amount: **\$200.00**

Student Instrument: _____ Circle Grade Level: 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

Student Signature: _____ Parent Signature _____

Payment Type (please circle): Check Cash Credit from Student Account

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