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FARRAGUT HIGH SCHOOL BAND HANDBOOK 2023-2024



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Band Member Agreement

This student has my permission to participate in all activities sponsored and sanctioned by Farragut High School Band, Farragut High School, and Knox County Schools. **This form will take place of individual permission slips for field trips taken by members of the Farragut High School Band Organization.**

I understand and agree that my child must abide by all rules, regulations, and policies set forth by Knox County Schools, Farragut High School, and the Farragut High School Band, and that all infractions of the above will be dealt with according to state, district, or school-level policies. Should my child's behavior jeopardize the health, safety, and/or welfare of other band students, I understand that he/she will be sent home immediately. I accept full responsibility for all costs associated with my child's misbehavior and subsequent damage to property and personal injury.

As a team activity, my child's participation in camps, practices, games, competitions, performances, and service events as detailed on the *Fall Calendar of Events* is required and his/her absence will impact the band's performance and competition scores. **I have read this document and I understand that my student's grade may be reduced as a consequence of failure to participate in each activity. I also understand that absences will be excused or unexcused based on director discretion.**

I understand that any fees paid for membership in the band program will be forfeited in the event that my child can no longer participate for any reason. I also understand that failure to pay fees can impact not only my student but every student in the band. Impact can include cancellation of events for the entire band.

In case of illness or injury, I give the band directors the authority to act on my behalf in seeking medical attention for my child. I will accept the financial responsibility for all medical treatment and associated costs. I will not hold the band directors, staff members, chaperones, or Farragut High School Band responsible for any costs associated with the treatment of my child.



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Conduct and Attendance Policies

Students of the Farragut Admiral Band should be aware of their visibility and conduct at all times. Social media including GroupMe and other group chat platforms are places where you should represent yourself, your school and the FHS Band in the best way you possibly can.

Excused Absences

Again, being a team event, attendance is highly important. Therefore, the only excused absences are prearranged school conflicts and those that would be excused for regular school attendance (death in the family, religious holiday, severe illness). Individual needs will be addressed as they occur. Excused absences are subject to approval by the directors.

How to Request an Absence

There is a google form you will fill out on the band website FarragutBand.org asking permission for your absence to be considered excused. Please use this form for *any reason* your student will be missing *any* rehearsal time after school, including possible tardiness. *All* after school absences will be kept on file using this method. Emails, in person relay and handwritten notes will be referred to this google form to be completed before rehearsal starts. Illnesses can be reported to Mr. Carrico or Mr. Brown as soon as you are aware in addition to this form.

Tardiness

In order to have effective rehearsals, the expectation is that your student will arrive before the start time of rehearsal. The suggestion is to arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time of rehearsal.

Regarding competition band attendance, if a competition band student has an unexcused absence for ANY after school rehearsal, they will not participate in any performances in the week they were absent. Excused absences will be handled regarding performance status on a case by case basis. All after school rehearsals are required and will impact the whole group if someone is unprepared. Please schedule all doctor's appointments, lessons, or other events at another time.

Students who represent the leadership of the FHS Marching Admirals are expected to hold themselves to a higher standard of conduct and musicianship. Leaders are expected to have a thorough knowledge of their music, drill, uniforms and attendance. They should also be readily available to help any band member who needs help in these areas. Leaders will only miss rehearsals under dire circumstances.



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Student Media Release

I, as the parent/guardian hereby give Knox County Schools and its employees, representatives and authorized media organizations permission to photograph, interview and record my child and his/her likeness for use in audio, video, film or other electronic, digital and printed media. I also give Knox County Schools permission to release photos or recordings of any type to news media outlets including, but not limited to, newspapers and television stations.

I understand that neither Knox County Schools nor the news media has any obligation to use or be compensated for such rights. I am also aware that I will not receive monetary compensation for my child's participation, and I waive any right to inspect or approve final use of materials.

I agree to release and hold harmless Knox County Schools, its staff, the Board of Education and assignees from any liability or claims of damage, known or unknown, related to such use.

Please note if you opt out of the media release form, your child's photograph will still be included in yearbook and classroom publications as part of directory information unless you notify the district otherwise. Additionally, if at any time you wish to withdraw your consent, you may contact the Office of Public Affairs at 865-594-1905; however, any prior photos or recordings of your child will remain part of the district's archive.

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Calendar of Events

*All Calendar events and itineraries will be found on www.farragutband.org/calendar.
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CLASS BAND

Summer - Hours are listed on the website calendar:

April 11-14	Guard and Percussion Auditions
June 12-16	New Student Camp, Parade Practice
July 17-21	Band Camp 8am-12pm, 1:15-5:00pm
July 24-28	Band Camp 8am-12pm, 1:15-5:00pm

Rehearsal - Held each day indicated below except in the case of school holidays:

Pre-Game: Friday (home game) 3:50pm-4:20pm

Football Game Schedule - Attendance is required for all students for games designated as "Full Band". Participation at away games is ONLY for fully registered students. Pep bands are NOT required and do NOT go onto the field.

August 18:	Home vs Dobyys-Bennett	Full Band
August 25:	Home vs Powell	Full Band
Sept 1:	Away @ Knox West	Pep
Sept 8:	Home vs Cleveland***	Full Band
Sept 15:	Bye Week	No Game
Sept 21:	Away @ Bearden*	Full Band
Sept 29:	Home vs Bradley Central	Full Band
October 6:	Home vs Oak Ridge**	Full Band
October 13:	Home vs. Jeff County	NOT ATTEND
October 20:	Away @ Hardin Valley	Pep
October 27:	Away @ Maryville	Pep

COMPETITIVE BAND

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Full Ensemble: M, Tu and Th*	4:15 - 5:45 PM
Game Day: Friday*	3:50 - 5:15 PM

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*** Home Game week's 3rd rehearsal will be on Fridays, Away Game week's 3rd rehearsal will be on Thursdays.

*Thursday Night Game **Senior Night ***Homecoming



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NO COMPETITIONS
NO SATURDAY OBLIGATIONS

Parades - Attendance is required (if you are in town) for all events. Itineraries will be announced/posted before the event, usually the Monday prior or whenever the schedule is released to the band directors.

July 4	Farragut Fourth of July Parade
Nov 10	Veteran's Day Parade
Dec 2	Farragut Christmas Parade

Concert Bands - Attendance is required for all events. Itineraries will be announced/posted before the event, usually the Monday prior.

Dec 14	Holiday Concert
	Call Time: 6pm, Concert 7pm

COMPETITIVE BAND

Competition Schedule - Attendance is required for all events. Itineraries will be announced/posted before the event, usually the Monday prior or whenever the schedule is released to the band directors.

Sept 30	@ Karns High School
October 7	@ HVA
October 21	@ Bands of America, ETSU
October 29	@ Seymour High School

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Fee Schedule for One, Two and Three Students

If you have a mixture or something more complicated, it will be worked out in registration. These are just examples.

The deadline to sign up for Competitive Band is May 1 and at that time you would be responsible for paying the difference to get you up to date if you change your mind from Class to Competition.

One Student Class Band (This is the base pay not including add ons) \$315 Mar 31 DUE	One Student Class Band and Competitive Band (This is the base pay not including add ons) \$700 Mar 31 (\$350), Aug 15 (\$175), Sept 15 (\$175)
Two Students Class Band (This is the base pay not including add ons) \$429 Mar 31 DUE	Two Students Class Band and Competitive Band (This is the base pay not including add ons) \$1199 Mar 31 (\$599), Aug 15 (\$300), Sept 15 (\$300)
Three Students Class Band (This is the base pay not including add ons) \$543 Mar 31 DUE	Three Students Class Band and Competitive Band (This is the base pay not including add ons) \$1698 Mar 31 (\$850), Aug 15 (\$424), Sept 15 (\$424)



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Student Uniforms

If the colorguard's uniform differs, a description will be provided for them.

Gloves, neck straps and other items should be cleaned before each performance.

UNIFORM #1: 4th of JULY PARADE

Hat: Blue "Marching Admirals Band" Hat, must be in good condition

Hair: French braids, 1 or 2, loose braids/hair will not be accepted, boys with long hair included

Shirt: Band Camo T-Shirt For 4th of July Parade, tucked in

Pants: Khaki type shorts with brown belt

Shoes: Athletic shoes with white socks (no flat sole shoes aka. Converse, Vans, etc.)

Jewelry: Anchor necklaces only, NO earrings OR facial piercings

Other: Natural colored makeup only, if fingernails are visible, neutral colors only

COLORGUARD WILL BE THE EXACT SAME MINUS THE HAT

UNIFORM #2: FALL

Hat: Blue "Marching Admirals Band" Hat, must be in good condition

Hair: French braids, 1 or 2, loose braids/hair will not be accepted, boys with long hair included

Shirt: Band Logo Polo, undershirt underneath the Polo... all tucked in

Pants: Khaki type shorts with brown belt

Shoes: Athletic shoes with white socks (no flat sole shoes aka. Converse, Vans, etc.)

Jewelry: Anchor necklaces only, NO earrings, facial piercings

Other: Natural colored makeup only, if fingernails are visible, neutral colors only

Gloves, neck straps and other items should be cleaned before each performance. Do NOT Bleach gloves as it turns them yellow

COLORGUARD WILL BE THE EXACT SAME MINUS THE HAT

UNIFORM #3: FULL UNIFORM FOOTBALL

Hat: Shako

Hair: Tight top bun at the crown of the head, boys with long hair included

Shirt: Blue Camo Shirt

Pants: Fitted, weather appropriate, athletic, black (if full length) NEVER JEANS

Shoes: Drillmasters and LONG BLACK socks (up to the calf at least)

Jewelry: Anchor necklaces only, NO earrings, facial piercings

Gloves: YES (percussion does not have gloves)

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UNIFORM #4: FULL UNIFORM COMPETITION (Competitive Band ONLY)

Hat: Shako

Hair: Tight top bun at the crown of the head, boys with long hair included

NO HAIR OVER THE EARS OR TOUCHING THE COLLAR

Shirt: SHOW SHIRT

Pants: Fitted, weather appropriate, athletic, black (if full length) NEVER JEANS

Shoes: Drillmasters and LONG BLACK socks (up to the calf at least)

Jewelry: Anchor necklaces only, NO earrings, facial piercings

Gloves: YES (Minus percussion)

Other: Natural colored makeup only, if fingernails are visible, neutral colors only

Gloves, neck straps and other items should be cleaned before each performance. Do NOT Bleach gloves as it turns them yellow

UNIFORM #6: COLORGUARD FOOTBALL/COMPETITION

Hair: Determined by Taylor

Body Tights Under Uniform

Shoes: Nude Dance shoes

Jewelry: Anchor necklaces only, NO earrings, facial piercings

Gloves: YES

Makeup: Determined by Taylor

UNIFORM #5: PLAYOFF

Hat: Weather Appropriate, Farragut gear preferred

Shirt: Weather Appropriate, Farragut gear preferred

Pants: Jeans without holes

Shoes: Weather Appropriate

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CONCERT ATTIRE

Males: Black Suit Jacket, Black Slacks (Can be part of a full Black Suit, NO jeans), White Button-Up Shirt, Black Socks, Black Shoes, Black Belt, and Undershirt (preferably white). Can wear black tie or black bow-tie

Females: Same as males if you wish. Black dress or skirt. Solid Black Top if wearing a skirt. Nice Black Shoes. Black Socks. If you wear a dress or skirt that the length is above your knees, you must also wear some type of black leg coverings.