



The Marching Red Raider Uniform and Other Helpful Information--2017

Coatesville Area Senior High School Provides:

- **Jacket, Pants, Raincoat and Hat** - These items will be measured by the band's Uniform coordinator/committee to fit you at Band Camp. You are responsible for taking proper care of these items when in your possession. You will be taught the proper way to fold the pants, hang the jackets and return them to the garment bags and storage racks.

****Please note****—The jacket and pants are **DRY CLEAN ONLY**. CPMC dry cleans all the uniforms before and at least once during the marching season and in special circumstances, for instance: if we've been caught in a rain storm or right before championships. **If your student is not responsible with these items (drops it in the mud, spill drinks or drops ketchup, mustard, tomato sauce, etc.), you, the parent, will be responsible for getting the items dry cleaned in time for the next event. Cost to parent for individual cleaning will be approx. \$30-\$50 per uniform, if we must have it cleaned.**

Coatesville Parents Music Club orders and distributes:

- **ONE band uniform T-shirt** - You must indicate the size needed on the Contact Information and Band Uniform T-shirt Order Form. **If you do not return this form CPMC will order a size Large shirt for you.** This is the T-shirt that must be worn under the band uniform for ALL functions. If you are not wearing **THIS** T-shirt, you are **NOT** in uniform. A new T-shirt is designed each year.

You are responsible for buying the following uniform pieces—

If any of these items are missing, you are not considered in full uniform and will not participate in the event/competition:

- **Dinkles/Color Guard Shoes** - Dinkles are black marching shoes. If you have Dinkles that fit and are in good condition you do NOT need to order a new pair. If you do not have Dinkles or need new Dinkles, then you will be fitted for them during the first week of Band Camp. Order forms will be distributed at that time and payment is due with your order. Color guard members also wear a special shoe that will be ordered during band camp as well.
- **Gloves** - Pit and Drumline players do not wear gloves. All other band members need at least one pair of white gloves and one pair of black gloves. Note that Cymbal players wear special gloves. Order Forms will be distributed during the first week of band camp.
- **Black socks** - You need **SOLID** black socks that go **OVER** your ankles. Buy several pairs.
- **Hair Ties, Hair nets or Under Armor skull caps** - ALL hair must be underneath your marching hat. Please determine which method will work best for you.

Warm-up Suits-required to be worn after competitions and is an “out of uniform” uniform.

- New students are required to buy one full warm-up suit set. Returning students may order a whole new set or just the jacket or the pants as needed. The cost is approximately \$89.00 for a full set. The warm-up jacket is long sleeved, full-zip. The jacket has Coatesville Music Department logo embroidered on the left chest and the student’s last name embroidered on the right chest and the left hip on the pants. These will be fitted during band camp. More ordering information will be coming later.

What do I wear under my uniform?

- Besides the REQUIRED uniform and your band T-shirt, most band members wear comfortable shorts, the baggy basketball shorts (mesh), leggings, tights, or even yoga pants. If you wear sweatpants, they MUST NOT be able to be seen protruding from your uniform pants. When it’s cold, it is acceptable and encouraged that you wear long sleeved BLACK Under Armor underneath your band T-shirt. **You cannot wear hoodies under the uniform—they won’t fit and they aren’t allowed.**

What happens after performances?

- **Football games** - We stay in uniform until after the football game is over.
- **Competitions** - **IF** there is time, we often will change out of the uniforms after our competition performance is over. Warm-up suits are required and you should bring any other clothes that you might want with you for warmth and on the bus.

When do we eat?

- **Football games** - During football games you will have free time during the 3rd quarter to visit the bathrooms and eat. The band does **NOT** eat in the stands.
- **Competitions:** Times will vary depending upon performance times.

Food

- Make sure you either bring a lunch/dinner or money to purchase food and drinks at games and competitions when instructed to do so. Some days we will practice during the morning and afternoons before boarding the buses to leave for competitions. On these days, it is advisable to bring both lunch and dinner (to eat at school or on the way). Times vary for every competition and there may not be time to hit a concession stand at the event. Some competition days the CPMC will provide a lunch in the school cafeteria. **Please pay attention to announcements and e-mail communications which will let you know what you need to bring with you.**

NOTE: All band members and Color Guard will remain together as one group at ALL games and competitions. No one is to leave the group without the consent of the band director and/or a CPMC chaperone. You will be escorted by a staff member and/or a chaperone to concessions, restrooms, buses, etc.



If you have other questions, ask your section leader, Mr. Hughes, a CPMC Band Mom or Dad or visit the CPMC website--<http://www.cvillepmc.org/>