Brentwood High School Marching Band

Important Uniform Information

Each instrumentalist has been issued a Marching Uniform consisting of:

Jacket, Bibbers (pants) and **Gauntlets** (cuffs) in a garment bag. (Pit members do not wear gauntlets.) These items are individually fitted and altered for each student and each item is marked with a specific number. You are expected to return the same issued items, cleaned and on the original hanger, at the end of the season. We encourage you to label items, especially shoes and gauntlets, with blue painter tape to help with identification. You are responsible for replacing lost or damaged items.

Jacket \$250 Bibber \$50 Gauntlets \$40 Beret \$12

Cleaning: Uniforms should be dry cleaned periodically, especially just before competitions. Do not take the plastic hanger, gauntlets, the silver snap-on jacket slash or \mathcal{B} pins to the cleaners.

Dry Clean Uniforms ONLY. DO NOT WASH. Gauntlets can be wiped with a damp cloth. Air drying outside the garment bag after wearing and Febreze can extend the time between trips to the dry cleaners. (Saxophones, you may want to invest in a neck strap just for games and competitions to prevent dirty jacket collars. Also, consider wearing your B pins on your gauntlets instead of the collar to prevent loss.)

<u>Underclothes:</u> Students must wear **black compression shorts**, bike shorts or Spanx type bottoms and a **slim fitting black t-shirt** or tank under their bibbers. Please do not wear clothing that cause lumps or wrinkles under the uniform. Uniform changes can take place on the bus or in public restroom/changing areas. These underclothes allow for modest changing and protect the student in the event of a busted seam or rip. You may wish to investigate Under Armour type insulated undergarments if the temperatures grow cold towards the end of the season.

Shoes: Band students order black marching shoes. These should be kept clean and only be worn when in uniform. **DO NOT PUT SHOES INSIDE THE GARMENT BAG**. The garment bags WILL NOT withstand the weight of the shoes stored inside and should only be used to carry gloves, socks and gauntlets. Please place shoes in a separate bag and hang it around the clothes hanger **outside** the garment bag. Drawstring bags, canvas tote bags or 2-gallon plastic bags work well.

Gloves: Black cotton gloves are worn by horn line. Please keep an extra set with you in case of loss.

<u>Socks</u>: Students **must wear black crew length socks**, at least mid-way between ankle and knee, when in uniform.

Shakos: Shakos are issued to band members except Pit and Tubas (who wear berets). Shakos are numbered and are stored on the Band truck. Pit members should pull back their hair into a pony tail if it is long enough to do so. Shako wearers can wear "shako hair' in a high bun, wear a skull cap or have their hair cut. There should be no hair touching the collar or sticking out around face or over the ears. Bring bobby pins, hair elastics, hair gel and any other supplies you need to accomplish this.

Repairs: If any part of the uniform needs to be repaired or re-fitted, please contact the uniform room. We are happy to help. We want you to feel comfortable and confident and to look your best! Also, in the event you forget a piece of your uniform before a game or competition, see a uniform mom immediately. Please do not cut fabric or snags on the uniform and do not use an iron directly on the fabric for any reason.

For questions, please contact Leigh Anne Stewart STEWARTKL@COMCAST.NET or 615-545-2572

Below are two local dry cleaners that many band members use. However, you are not limited to using these establishments.

Brentwood Cleaners- \$10 5008 Maryland Way 661-9669

Same day service: Drop off before 9:00 AM, returned after 6:00 PM

Mr. Cs- \$10 8000 Brooks Chapel Rd. 371-9548

Same day service: Drop off before 8:00 AM, returned after 4:00 PM