

2018 - Centennial HS Band & Color Guard Handbook – 2019



HUSKY MARCHING ALLIANCE ~ FESTIVAL WINDS ~ WINTER GUARD
PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE ~ CONCERT BAND ~ JAZZ BAND

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2017-2018 STUDENT LEADERS

Samantha Muniz – Drum Major/Mellophone Section Leader
Jake Johnson – Drum Major/Alto Sax Section Leader
Sandy Rodriguez – Drum Major

Shauna Kim, Bryanna Marquez – Colorguard Captains
Zulma Zaragoza, & Lluvia Gonzalez – Assistant Colorguard Captains
Amanda Gamboa & James Adame – Percussion Captains
Paige Saller – High Woodwind Captain/Flute Section Leader
Gavin Sullano – Low Woodwind Captain/Alto Sax Section Leader
Cody Wells – High Brass Captain/Trumpet Section Leader
Dylan Johnson – Low Brass Captain/Baritone Section Leader

April Calderon & Giancarlo Ceja - Clarinet Section Leaders
Brian Tecaxco - Tenor Sax Section Leader
Giselle Vargas - Bari Sax Section Leader
Bridgette Dovel – Trumpet Section Leader
Yadira Ramirez – Mellophone Section Leader
Perla Ponce – Trombone Section Leader
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Jay Ramm & Mansee Patel – Colorguard Squad Leaders

CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Dr. Alex Barile, Principal
Bill Gunn, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
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CENTENNIAL BAND BOOSTERS

Amanda Johnson, President
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Ensembles

Husky Marching Alliance (Marching Band PE)

This is our marching band, and includes all members of the band & color guard. The HMA performs at football games, parades, field show competitions, pep rallies, assemblies, and special events. This group is divided into 3 different configurations: parade band, field band, and pep band. Students earn PE credit for this class during the fall semester only.

Festival Winds

Advanced concert ensemble, comprised of members selected by audition. The Festival Winds performs concerts and festivals throughout the year. This course includes a music theory and history component, and students are required to perform chamber music and audition for honor groups.

Concert Band

Middle level concert ensemble, open to members of all grades and experience levels. The Concert Band performs at concerts and festival throughout the year.

Winter Guard

Spring semester performance ensemble for color guard members. This group meets daily during the Marching Auxiliary Unit class in addition to after school rehearsals, and performs at competitions in the Winter Guard Association of Southern California (www.wgasc.org). The color guard staff, who also design the show, instructs the Winter Guard.

Percussion Ensemble

Spring performance ensemble for percussionists. This group rehearses during class and after school. We will perform a full recital during spring semester.

Jazz Ensemble

December workshops will prepare students for the spring season. Jazz will rehearse after school in the spring, and will perform at concerts and jazz festivals.

Spring Musical Orchestra

The 2019 show is Shrek the Musical! Ochestraion is TBD. Auditions will be held in January, and we will rehearse periodically throughout the spring, culminating in performance week at the end of April.



Band Room Basics

The Band Room is a place where excellence is expected at all times, hence our motto “Excellence Always”. To that end, we need to respect some basic rules and procedures in and around the room.

- Bring your best attitude and effort into the room daily.
- Keep your personal items in your locker when not in use.
- Do not leave cases, chairs, stands, or other items in front of practice or locker rooms.
- Do not interrupt a rehearsal in progress, whether run by adults or students.
- Pack up daily as instructed by Mr. Gaughan, other staff, or a guest teacher.
- Always request to leave the room, and take a hall pass.
- Do not touch other people’s personal property unless it is clearly in the way and you have permission from the owner or staff to move it.
- If you are not a percussionist – don’t play the percussion instruments.
- No students are allowed in the band office without permission of adult staff.
- Always ask permission to use school computers or the sound system.
- Do not enter the Uniform Room without permission from the Uniform Manager
- No food is allowed in practice rooms or uniform room.
- Please ask any non-band/guard friends to wait at the door.
- Keep all food in closed containers when stored in your locker.
- Clean up after yourself in and around the sink/microwaves.
- Take food containers home or they will be thrown away.
- You are not allowed to eat in the hallway. Ever.
- If the room is not kept clean, lunch privileges will be suspended.
- Please place empty plastic bottles and aluminum cans into a recycle bin.
- We cannot recycle milk and other dairy product containers.

Attendance Policy

All CNUSD and Centennial High School policies are in effect at all times. This applies to any course that is listed on a student’s class schedule.

“3 Strikes Rule” – this rule applies to any ensemble that rehearses outside of the regular school day, especially Marching Band PE, Jazz Band, and Winter Guard. If any member misses 3 rehearsals due to any reason other than illness, major religious activity, or major family celebration (wedding, milestone anniversaries, etc.), the student may be suspended from the activity. All such absences require parent notification to the Band Director.

It is important for parents to understand that all of our ensembles are performance and/or competition-based ensembles, which require maximum effort and participation from all members. Your efforts to plan birthday parties and other special events around the performance schedule are greatly appreciated.

Grading Policy

All classes on the student's schedule will be graded as follows:

- Daily Attendance & Participation +2 points
- Missing instrument, music, or pencil -1 points
- Unexcused Tardy -1 point
- Lack of participation -2 points
- It is possible to earn as many as 2 points per day or as few as -3 points

Graded Categories are as follows:

- Playing Test (10 points)
- Homework (varying points)
- Performances (25 points)
- Outside Concert/Play Attendance (10 points each/1 required per quarter)

Grades are not weighted, and are assigned on the following scale:

A+ = 100% A = 93-99% A- = 90-92% B+ = 88-89% B = 83-87% B- = 80-82%
C+ = 78-79% C = 73-77% C- = 70-72% D+ = 68-69% D = 63-67% D- = 60-62%

Any student holding a grade of C or lower will receive a progress report. Any student who completes the school year with a grade of D or F may not be invited back for the next year.

Uniform Policy

All band & guard members will be issued a uniform for the season. The band uniforms are property of the CNUSD. . Uniforms worn by the Color Guard (fall), Winter Guard (spring), and Indoor Drum Line are generally purchased by the Band & Colorguard Boosters.

When the uniform is assigned, students will be given a "uniform contract", which will describe the required care and maintenance procedures. All uniforms must be returned at the end of the season, and the member may be responsible for replacement cost of missing or damaged items. Guard and Drum Line uniforms may also be made available for purchase at that time.

Instrument & Equipment Policy

All guard members and some band members will be assigned equipment or instruments to use for the season. Members are expected to use proper care and maintenance procedures on these items, and may be responsible for replacement cost of missing or damaged items. If items are lost, an "obligation" will be placed on the student's school account. No student can graduate until all obligations are paid off.



HMA “Day Uniform”

All members of the Husky Marching Alliance will also wear a “day” uniform for pep rallies, assemblies, and other events. A t-shirt will be provided to all members. In addition, all new members will receive a cap. All returning members will use their 2017 cap. If you lose your cap, you will need to pay \$20 for a replacement. For pants, ALL members must provide their own, and the required pants are Dickies Original 874 pants in BLACK. Finally, wear black socks and your marching shoes.

Husky Marching Alliance Basics

Rehearsal Times

The scheduled starting and ending times for rehearsal indicate time on the field. If rehearsal ends at 8:30, then that is the time we will dismiss students following announcements. The student will be marked tardy if they are not in the attendance block at the scheduled time.

Rehearsal Dress Code

All members of the HMA will wear PE clothes to Monday rehearsal. On other days, PE clothes or similar clothing must be worn. This means a school or band-themed T-shirt, soccer/basketball style shorts, socks, and low-top athletic shoes (no high-tops). For all night rehearsals, band members will wear a black shirt while guard members will wear red. All shoes must have laces, and must be tied on the outside, not tucked in. Students who are not in dress code may be instructed to “walk the track” during rehearsal.

Rehearsal Supplies

Most members will bring their instrument and/or equipment to the field in a case or bag. Tubas and drummers will be their stands with them to the rehearsal area. We will set instruments on or in cases or on stands during breaks, to keep them safe and clean. All members bring their dot bag (fanny pack) to the all field rehearsals. Each member must also bring their water jug to rehearsal.

Rehearsal Time Changes

From time to time, we will need to change the time of rehearsal, usually due to weather conditions or other events, which involve a large number of our students. We will do our best to give you 48 hrs. notice of any time changes, and we appreciate your flexibility.

Scheduling Conflicts

Quite often, students will request to be excused from, or tardy to, rehearsal due to a conflict. These conflicts include make-up tests, group project meetings, and other such activities. Please note that we do not rehearse on Wednesdays, so this is the best day to schedule group projects, doctor’s appointments, etc. When we are in the middle of learning the marching drill for our field show, it is very important that every student attend rehearsal. If students are absent, we will have to review all drill teaching from the prior rehearsal.

Concert Dress Code

For Festival Winds, Concert Band, and Beginning Percussion Ensemble:

Men wear all black, including a black dress shirt, black dress pants, black socks & shoes. You must also wear a long tie (no bow ties or bolo ties please) of your choosing. Ladies wear a long black dress and black dress shoes. Please do not wear pants, skirts, or short dresses. Your dress must be long enough to reach your shins when seated. If you are wearing inappropriate dress code, you may not be allowed to perform.

Spring Trip

For 2019, we are planning a trip for the Festival Winds. The dates are to be determined, but the trip will take place in late March or early April, and possibly during spring break. We are in the process of obtaining price quotes for bussing, hotels, and festival packages. More details will be available in September.

Fund-Raisers

The total cost to run our program will be over \$90,000 this year. We rely on your support, and the support of your family and friends to raise the needed funds. Each family should plan on participating in at least 3 fund-raisers during the year. It costs over \$600 per student to run our program, including transportation, entry fees, instructional staff, equipment, music, show design, and other items. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Charms

Charms is our primary database for record-keeping and communications. All parents need to log on to their student's account and add their information, including email and cell phone number. Go to www.charmsoffice.com. Our school ID is Cen10Band and your student can tell you the password.

Remind

This is my primary app for communicating with students. Remind codes are posted in the Band Room.

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Handbook Acknowledgement

I, _____, have read the 2018-19 Centennial Band & Colorguard Handbook, and agree to abide by all rules and regulations as set forth in the Handbook. I understand that if I give my best effort daily, I will be rewarded with a high level of success!

Student's Signature

Date

_____, I the parent of the student named, have read this handbook, and agree to support my students in their effort to achieve success. I also promise to attend performances when possible and to assist the band boosters if I am able.

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date