

I hope you are as excited as I am for this winter season with the Amity Winter Guard. This hand out includes a show schedule, our attendance policy, and an outline of rehearsal and show etiquette. As with all school activities, all school policies will be upheld at rehearsal and at competitions!

Attendance policy:

Being at rehearsal is an obligation and a commitment that members in the Amity color guard is expected to make. The rehearsal schedule is set well in advance and we do our best not to change it. Missing rehearsal should be avoided as much as possible; being a member of this competitive group is a commitment. You should only miss rehearsal if you were home sick, have an alternate school related function that cannot be missed, such as participation in a school concert, or have a Family emergency.

If you are going to miss a rehearsal, you should email or call Lauren Hebert at (203) 240-9684, lhebert56@gmail.com. (Email does work best!)

OR

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Missing a rehearsal also means you are responsible for learning what you missed!!! This is your responsibility as a member. Excessive absences, or an inability to catch up could result in time spent off the floor during the production.

Grades do come first, but missing rehearsal to do homework or a project is unacceptable. If you are unable to manage the time commitment of being in color guard and maintaining satisfactory grades, you will be ineligible to continue to be a member of the Amity Color guard.

Rehearsal and Competition expectations:

At rehearsal members should be appropriately attired in athletic clothing. Jeans are not acceptable. Hair should be pulled back while at rehearsal. Please always be prepared for the start of practice, dressed and with all equipment!

We do invite parents to be present at rehearsal, we are happy to see you and are glad you are taking an interest! Please refrain from commenting or speaking with your student during rehearsal. Water breaks and emergencies are obvious exceptions!

At Competitions, students should have their Amity jacket with them. We will wear them any time we walk from place to place as a group. Before we perform members will stay in the room to get ready. You need to ask permission before leaving and let a chaperone know where you are going. Any time you are not with the group you should be with another color guard member. Junior guard JV members should be with a chaperone at all times.

After performing, students will return to the room, where a schedule will be explained. Students can return to the gym to watch the show, but must always be with another guard member, or a chaperone.

Uniforms: most importantly, NO EATING IN UNIFORM. ONLY DRINK WATER WHILE IN UNIFORM. This is very important. After performing, members should change out of their uniform. While getting ready, if they are going to eat, do not put on your uniform until you have eaten and put your food away.

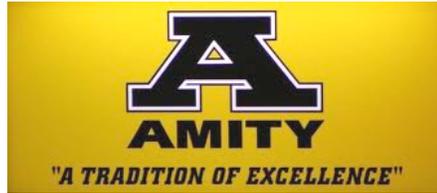
Hair and make up will be discussed closer to the start of the competitive season. In the time before warm ups members are responsible for completing their own hair and make up to satisfaction.

Chaperones and staff will be available to assist, but students are responsible for managing their time prior to warm up.

Color guard is a sport of the arts; we are as theatric as we are athletic. The hair and make up are as essential as the costume to the overall design of the show. All members will be in stage make up, with hair done appropriately. A List of required hair and make up supplies will be provided closer to the start of competitions.

Please bring slippers, sandals or shoes with you to be worn around the school after performing, do not walk around barefoot please!

After awards, students will meet in the classroom ASAP to prepare to leave!



Competition schedule:

All shows are MANDATORY!!! We compete and get scores every show and every show is important. The Saturdays we do not have shows, we will have practice. The following dates are for JV:

*February 1st - Brookfield, CT
February 8th - Trumbull, CT
March 1st - Newtown, CT
March 8th - Shelton, CT
March 15th - Norwalk, CT
March 22nd - Jonathan Law, Milford, CT
March 29th - CHAMPIONSHIPS, O'Neil Center Danbury, CT*

The following dates are for Varsity:

*January 25th - Masuk, CT
February 1st - Brookfield, CT
February 8th - Trumbull, CT
February 15th - OPEN (for now)
March 1st - Newtown, CT
March 8th - Shelton, CT
March 15th - Norwalk, CT
March 22nd - Jonathan Law, Milford, CT
March 29th - CHAMPIONSHIPS, O'Neil Center Danbury, CT (west con) college*

I am sincerely grateful for the opportunity to work with this program, and watching the talent and commitment of each member develop has thus far been a complete joy. I am very excited for our competitive season to start!