

The Stevenson University Marching Band

Emeralds Membership Agreement Form

The Director of Bands shall have final jurisdiction over the rules and policies stated in this document.

MEMBERSHIP

1. The Stevenson University Emeralds are a co-ed organization consisting of no more than 30 total members. The Band Directors and Emeralds coach will make all final decisions.
2. A member's responsibility is to perform with 100% effort at all assigned marching band events. Failure to do so will result in a grade deduction and/or a loss of participation grant.
3. The Band Directors and Emeralds Coach may remove a member from a rehearsal or performance based upon following reasons listed below. This will result in a loss of professionalism and/or performance points and ultimately a lower grade.
 - Adherence to the Stevenson University Academic and Student Conduct Policies
 - Attendance or lateness issues
 - Collegial and professional respect of others
 - Inability to properly follow the SUMB's rules or procedures
4. If a dancer completes four years with the program, they may be invited to be a part of the team for a fifth year. Members invited back to the program will be required to tryout for a position on the team.

RULES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND DUTIES

1. All practices and performances are **mandatory**. An Emerald member must enroll in the Marching Band Dance Class (Mus 290-04 for credit or Mus 291-04 not for credit) and cannot take any classes during the scheduled class times. Exemptions can be handled on a case-by-case basis and must be petitioned to the Director of Bands.
2. Directors have the right to change practice schedules and performance schedules as needed.
3. Dancers must adhere to all SUMB Handbook policies.

PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES AND EXPECTATIONS

1. The following rules must be adhered to at all times:
 - All body tattoos must be completely covered
 - Finger nails should be French manicured, neutral color (such as tan or light pink, not black), or no polish
 - Hair and make-up styles will be determined by the coach for each performance
 - No body piercing or jewelry will be worn at any scheduled events (excluding team earrings)
 - Uniforms must be clean and performers must wear designated attire for all events (including warm up)
 - Polite and appropriate behavior is expected at all games and performances
 - No public display of affection while in uniform
 - No fraternization with non SUMB members
 - No gum chewing or eating
 - No swearing/fighting
 - No smoking, drinking alcoholic beverages, etc. in any dance attire on or off campus, in or off-season. Infractions will result in disciplinary action.
 2. All dancer students must maintain their skills and remain physically fit in appearance. If unable to perform skills, maintain good physical appearance, or meet the above requirements, it is to the director's discretion to remove them from the performance.
 3. Any negative publicity displayed through any source of social media will result in disciplinary action.
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I, _____,
Print first and last name

have read, understand, and accept the rules and regulations of the Stevenson University Marching Band as stated above and more extensively in the member handbook.

I understand that to receive the participation grant, I must remain a “member in good standing” throughout the season.

Failure to comply with the policies will result in a grade deduction and/or loss of participation grant.

I agree to attend the performances listed on the SUMB contract and understand failure to attend will result in reduction of grade and/or participation grant.

Member Signature

Date

