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 dancer's responsibility is to perform at all assigned marching band events. This includes games, rallies, homecoming, and other functions. It is each member's responsibility to perform with 100% effort in all rehearsals and performances. Failure to do this will result in suspension, disciplinary action, loss of participation grant, and/or a grade deduction.
3. Any member may be suspended from the team for any of the following reasons as determined by the marching band staff:
    - Attitude
    - Lack of ability
    - Attendance or tardiness
    - Personality conflicts
    - Inability to follow rules or procedures
    - Directors' decisions for the best interest of the team
    - Behavior deemed inappropriate by the coaching staff (i.e. insubordination)

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**. A dancer must enroll in the marching band class (Mus 290-04) 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 followed 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
    - Wear designated attire for all events (including warm up)

2. Expected behavior at games and performances:
    - No public display of affection while in uniform
    - No talking to people/fans in the crowd (socially)
    - No gum chewing or eating during an event
    - 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 removal from the team!
    - Polite and proper behavior at all times

3. All dancers must maintain their skills and remain physically fit in appearance as shown at tryouts. If unable to perform skills or maintain good physical appearance, it is to the director's discretion to remove them from the performance.

4. Any negative publicity displayed through any source of social media may result in suspension or termination from the team!

STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS

I, _____, have read, understand, and accept the rules and
Print first and last name

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 below and understand failure to attend will result in reduction of grade and/or participation grant.

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Members Signature *Date*

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