



COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE 2025

Commitment 1: Attendance

I understand that students will be present at every rehearsal and performance, or know that any missed time could jeopardize their role in the show. Absences should be communicated via email to Eric Thornbury and Jacob Crossley as early as possible. I understand that some rehearsals and contests will be over Fall Break and will commit to those as well.

Commitment 2: Payments

I understand that payments must be made in full, or alternative arrangements must be made for payment with our treasurer, Jacky Doke (Treasurer@NoblesvilleBand.org). If fees are not paid in full, students forfeit awards, cannot order letter jackets, may not be eligible for future seasons, and may not participate in trips with the band. Students must have a deposit paid to perform.

Commitment 3: Participation

I understand that if a student misses or sits out of multiple rehearsals for any reason, it may not be the right activity for the student or may not be the right season for the student to participate. Parents will be contacted, and a participation plan will be made, or dismissal from the group may be necessary. The marching band is only successful if all students are participating at the highest level during all rehearsals and performances.

Commitment 4: Enrolled in Fall Band Class

I understand that a student must be enrolled in a fall band class to participate in marching band (concert or guard class).

Commitment 5: Parent Volunteers

I understand that Volunteering is necessary to help the band program be successful. Each band student's parents/guardians are required to volunteer a minimum of 20 hours per student which includes a minimum of 4 hours at the Black & Gold Contest on Sept. 27th, 2024.

Commitment 6: Musicianship

You must have earned a C or higher in your former band classes to participate in this extra-curricular marching band activity. In addition, students must be able to demonstrate basic musical skills, as determined by the band directors.

Commitment 7: Uniform and Property Care

Student Uniforms and Instruments are included in the fees (except for shoes & gloves). Any school equipment, instruments, or uniforms that are lost or damaged are the responsibility of the student to pay for repairs or replacement.

Commitment 8: Commitment to Discipline

With well over 150 students and an incredible show to put together, any time the directors spend on discipline issues simply takes away from the success of the marching band. Because of this, students must follow all NHS Student Handbook guidelines, must behave as a model marching band student on and off the field. Students may be dismissed from this activity if the directors consider any offense severe or disruptive to the organization. This includes, but not limited to- foul language, negativity on social media concerning staff or band students, bullying, cyber bullying, undisciplined behavior during rehearsals, breaking any guidelines in the student handbook, and being anywhere in the school other than the designated rehearsal space, or the designated break space. Students are only allowed to use the closest-to-band-room restrooms, and are never to venture into any portion of NHS other than these two spaces at the specified times. Students found in any portions of NHS other than the designated areas, or breaking any NHS student handbook rules could be immediately dismissed from the group.