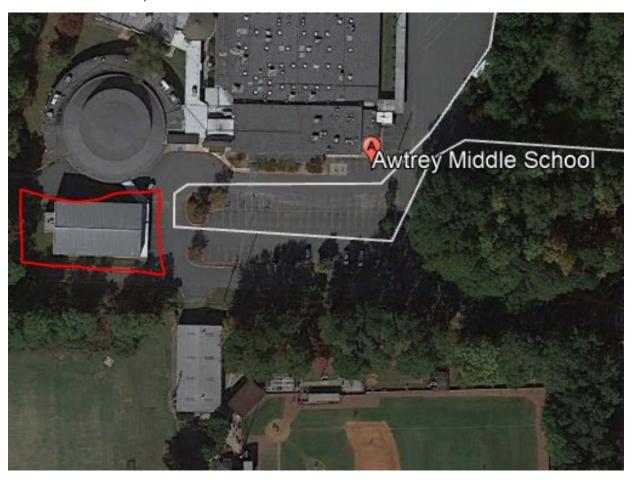


REHEARSALS

<u>Rehearsal location:</u> rehearsals this season will be at Awtrey Middle School (3601 Nowlin Road, Kennesaw, Ga)



Rehearsal times: every Tuesday and Thursday, 5p - 8p. If either school shuts down and it impacts rehearsals parents will be made aware immediately. Middle school students can arrive a little after 5p due to transportation after school.

<u>Drop-off/Pick-up:</u> we are requesting that students arrive a little early, if possible, to accommodate for screening time and pulling the floor out/setting up for rehearsal. We are also requesting that parents arrive by 8p to pick up your students. Due to the current situation, parents will not be allowed to enter the rehearsal area to watch the last little bit of rehearsal. We apologize for any inconvenience.



ATTIRE AND SAFETY

<u>Screening:</u> all participants, including staff, must be screened prior to entering the rehearsal area. This will consist of taking temperature and answering a questionnaire. This will be required at **EVERY** rehearsal and is not optional.

<u>Health/Safety:</u> all participants, including staff, **MUST** wear a mask. This is not optional. The mask may be removed during water breaks with proper social distancing.

<u>Attire:</u> no jeans are allowed. We recommend wearing shorts or leggings. Easy movement in your clothing is key. We recommend wearing layers so that as your student warms up, they can shed layers. The performers are barefoot during rehearsal and performance. Please wear closed toe shoes to rehearsal.

SEASON OUTLOOK

This season, in consideration of the health and safety of our students, we will not be participating in the SAPA Competitive Circuit. We are still producing a show, as if we were competing. The show will be professionally choreographed, we will have costumes, and will be putting on performances. We will be getting professional judge critiques on our production throughout the season.

Season dates: this season will run from Feb. 19 – Apr 16.

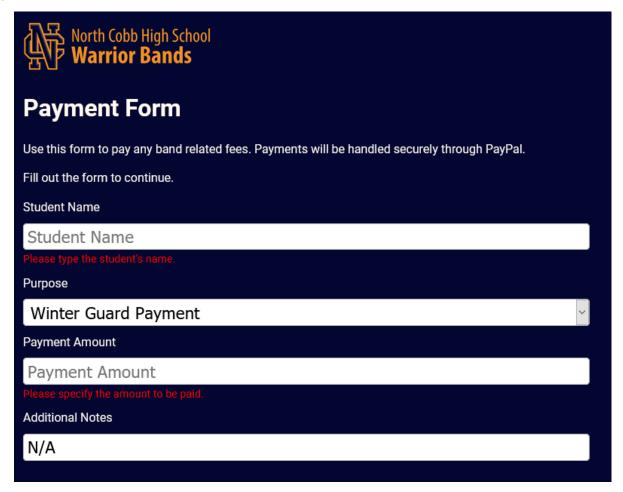
<u>Performances:</u> we will have three performances throughout the season. Two performances will occur in March (dates to be determined) and a final performance in April. The performances will be open to friends and family and will be recorded.

<u>Costs:</u> the final cost for participation in the season will be set by the third rehearsal, as costs will be determined by the number of participants in the program. A non-refundable \$150 deposit will be required for all participants (this will cover the cost of the costume). The minimum dues to participate are anticipated to be \$300 and the maximum \$500. The deposit is included in these fees.

<u>Season cancellation:</u> if our season is cancelled due to permanent school closure, the dues will be pro-rated for the length of time that the season lasted. If you have prepaid, and the season gets cut short, the credit on your account will apply to your student for participation in the program in the fall or next winter. If you student will not be returning, and you have prepaid, you will be issued a refund for the amount owed.



<u>Payments:</u> Payments can be made online (https://nchsband.com/payments/). Please list your students name and select Winter Guard in the drop down.





COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA

We use many methods of communicating with our students. Our band program sends out a weekly newsletter, has a Facebook business page, and an Instagram account. One of the primary methods we use is the Band App. We will ask that all students and encourage all parents to join our Winter Guard group in the app. The app is free through google play and apple and is secure. Our group is a closed group that is only visible to members. All member requests can only be approved by the director. If you have not received an invite link, please email communications@nchsband.com.

Photo and video will be taken throughout the season. Each rehearsal final run will be filmed and shared on the Band App for student and parent review. Once costumes are in, we will plan a formal photoshoot.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us. We are very excited about the season starting and look forward to seeing everyone on Jan. 19 at the first rehearsal.

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