

## Washington Band General Policies and Procedures

### Joining the band

- ◆ All musicians are welcome to voluntarily join the Washington Band, pending an audition with the Director and section leader.

### Rehearsal Procedures and Seating

- ◆ Rehearsals are generally every Monday evening, 7:30-9:00 p.m., from the first Monday of February through the Christmas Concert in December. Some exceptions include Monday night concerts, weather-related cancellations, and rehearsals that are canceled at the discretion of the Director.
- ◆ Rehearsals are at the Washington Band Hall at 35 North Lancaster Street, Annville.
- ◆ Band members are expected to arrive early enough to warm up adequately before 7:30.
- ◆ Attendance is taken at rehearsals. Members are expected to inform the Director in advance if they need to miss a rehearsal. The Director can be contacted at 717-383-0951, [band@washingtonband.com](mailto:band@washingtonband.com), or via Facebook.
- ◆ Seating is based on ability and seniority.

### Music

- ◆ The band owns a great deal of valuable and out-of-print music. Band members are expected to leave all music at the Band Hall during the summer season of May through September. If a musician wishes to take music home to practice during the Christmas or Spring Concert seasons, he/she should notify the Director.
- ◆ All markings should be done in pencil.

### Concerts

- ◆ Concert dress includes a white short-sleeved shirt, long black pants, black socks, and black shoes. For outdoor concerts, any jacket or coat that is necessary to keep warm is acceptable.
- ◆ Musicians should plan to arrive 30 minutes before concerts. We begin tuning 15 minutes before each concert.
- ◆ Except for the Spring and Christmas Concerts, musicians should bring their own stands. For outdoor concerts, music clips or clothes pins come in handy. Bring mutes or any other necessary accessories.
- ◆ This is a voluntary organization. No one (Director included!) is paid for his/her participation.
- ◆ No one is required to play every concert. We know that other activities (like vacations) can preclude a member from playing a concert. Members are expected to indicate which concerts they can play on the sign-up sheets that are available at rehearsals.
- ◆ Band members are required to attend at least four rehearsals before playing a concert. Exceptions are made at the discretion of the Director.

### Meetings

- ◆ Every month, usually on the second Monday of the month, the band holds a meeting immediately after rehearsals.
- ◆ All band members are encouraged to attend meetings.